

Council of Mexican Water Chapter Government

Notice is hereby given to the general public that the Council of Mexican Water Chapter Government will convene a **REGULAR CHAPTER Meeting** through a teleconference/in-person open to the public on **SUNDAY, February 05, 2023 at 1:00 o'clock p.m.**

Information regarding the following agenda items may be reviewed in the office of the Council Manager at Highway191 N Milepost#2, Mexican Water, Utah

The Council may vote to convene in Executive Session, which will not be open to the public for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the Council for any agenda item below

Members of the Council will attend either in person or by telephone, video or internet conferencing.

If any disabled person needs any type of accommodation in order to attend this meeting, please notify Phoebe Begay at (928) 429-0986 at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting.

Teleconference Meeting/In-Person (Hybrid)

Phone: 1 929-238-0856 **PIN:** 716 965 844## **Video Link:** <https://meet.google.com/gfe-kumn-for>

I. **REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING**

A. **The Regular Chapter Meeting was called to order by Martha Saggboy at 1:00 pm.** Roll call has the following officials present – Martha Saggboy (IP), Cassandra Beletso (IP), Clifford Sagg (IP) and Curtis Yanito (IP).

B. The invocation was done by Curtis Yanito.

C. The previous meeting Journal of Proceedings/minutes was read to the chapter membership and the following action was made:

- i. Regular Chapter Meeting - January 08, 2023 [FY23 MINUTES CM Council of Mexican Water Chapter Government 01.08.23.pdf](#)

Valerie Lee motioned approve the minutes, seconded by Mary Ann Woody with a vote of 24 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained. Correction to the resolution numbers will be made as there is a double 25 and will end in MWCJAN05-028.

- ii. Special Chapter Meeting - 29 January 2023 [FY23 MINUTES SpCM Council of Mexican Water Chapter Government 01.29.22a.pdf](#)

Helen Blackhat motioned approve the minutes, seconded by Dustin Blackhat with a vote of 24 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained. Correction to the resolution numbering will be made from MWCJAN05-031 to MWCJAN29-029.

D. **The current Chapter Meeting agenda was read and the same was motioned for approval with some grammar corrections and addition of names, seconded by Mary Ann Woody with a vote of 26 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained.**

- i. Add names of Orlando and Tina Begay to Resolution F and G.

II. **Old Business /Action Items**

III. **New Business/Action items:**

A. **MWCFEB05-030** Approve to Acknowledge the Navajo Nation President Declaring a State of Emergency impacted by weather conditions arising suddenly out of the current events.

[PRESS-RELEASE-Navajo-Nation-declares-severe-winter-snow-storms-state-of-emergency-at-reque.pdf](#)

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- B. **MWCFEB05-031** Approving to Accept the Fiscal Year 2023 Navajo Nation Supplemental General Funds from the Undesignated, Unreserved Fund Balance (UUFB) for 110 Chapter, in appropriation of the Chapter Emergency funds in the amount of \$22,218.92 and its budget.
- C. **MWCFEB05-032** Approve to pay the Poll Workers for conducting and monitoring the ballot boxes for the appointment of the Chapter President using the Chapter General Funds in the amount of \$100/poll worker.
- D. **MWCFEB05-033** Approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Authorized Signatories on all chapter financial accounts with Wells Fargo Bank accounts and to add the newly appointed Chapter President, Martha Saggboy to be an authorized signatory.
- E. **MWCFEB05-034** Approving to appoint Martha Saggboy Chapter President of the Mexican Water Chapter as representative for the Mexican Water Chapter on the Navajo Utah Commission.
- F. **MWCFEB05-035** Approve to Request Indian Health Services/Office of Environmental Health & Engineering (IHS/OEH&E) to add Mr./Mrs. Willis/Helen Blackhat and Orlando/Tina Begay to be included in their Plans for Waterline Extension.
- G. **MWCFEB05-036** Approve to Request Navajo Tribal Utility Authority to re-evaluate and install a Water Booster Pump to provide adequate water supply pressure to the residence of Mr./Mrs. Willis/Helen Blackhat and Mr./Mrs. Orlando/Tina Begay.

Discussion: The chapter resolutions was read to the chapter membership, however there were no other questions regarding the resolutions.

Action: David L John motioned to approve all the resolutions (#030 to #036), seconded by Bessie Lameman with a vote of 27 in favor, 00 opposed and 02 abstained.

IV. Reports/Approvals/Announcements

A. Financial Reports/Approvals

- 1. Ratification of January 2023 Payroll Expenses of **\$9,282.89**
- 2. Ratification of January 2023 Chapter Official Stipend Expenses of **\$3,000.00**
- 3. Ratification of January 2023 Chapter Financial Scholarship Assistance Expenses of **\$ 0.00**
- 4. Ratification of January 2023 Vouchers Expenses of **\$ 7,291.00**
- 5. Budget Transfer/Modifications to cover expenses incurred January 2023 **\$5,068.00**

B. Approvals

C. Announcements:

- 1. Navajo Utah Commission Meeting - __ February 2023 (Zoom)
- 2. UNTF Dineh Advisory Committee Meeting - 03 February 2023 at 2:30 pm (Google Meet)
- 3. Mexican Water Chapter Regular Meeting - 05 February 2023 at 1pm (Google Meet)

D. Quarterly Reports (Written/Oral)

- 1. San Juan County, UT Commissioner Jaime Harvey
 - Mr. Harvey did not call into the meeting and no report was given.
- 2. San Juan School District Board, Colleen Benally (TC)

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- Mrs. Benally introduced herself to the chapter as the newly elected School Board member under the San Juan School District. She hopes to work with all the parents. Her contact information is cbenally1@sjsd.org and her cell number is 435-444-9834.
3. Tse T'ah Liaison - US EPA Region 9, Perry Tso (TC)
 - There will be a screening for those who worked in the Coal Mining Industry. It will happen 08-10 February 2023 in Kirtland, NM. If you suspect to have Back Lung, you should be tested.
 - Uranium Mine Reclamation will not continue work until the Covid-19 pandemic is over.
 4. Council Delegate, Curtis Yanito (IP)
 - Reported on the events of the day of the Inauguration – the Special Council Session to select a Pro-Temp Speaker of the Navajo Nation
 - Reported on the events of the Winter Council Session – selection of the Navajo Nation Speaker who is eventually Crystalyne Curley, the Emergency Funds legislation, Reports from the Acting-Controller Elizabeth Begay.
 - Reported on his work with the State of Utah on Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and the various meetings with state leaders and divisions.
 - He is still accepting resumes with a Legislative District Assistant (LDA). He will have a committee to help him with the hire.
 - Questions from the Chapter Membership included a detailed financial balance of the chapter, where is the monies from the Casinos going? Martha gave a reply to the questions. Financial statements are posted for the public and available for copies to be made.
 5. Grazing Committee Representative, Christopher Haskan
 - Mr. Haskan was not present to the meeting and no report was given.
 6. Utah Navajo Health System, Inc. (UNHS) Board of Director, Cassandra Beletso (IP)
 - Mrs. Beletso mentioned that Covid-19 are a 6 month low of 32 active cases, however cases of the Flu and RSV at 3 times the normal level. The clinic will continue to monitor the situation which will determine the mask mandate.
 - A new optometrist will be hired to replace Mr. Ronald Kirk as he will be retiring in June 2023. Vision care is available in MV, BFP and MCC at least one a week.
 - Assistance was given to Lena Salt of Monument Valley – Douglas Mesa whose house burned down some time ago. Also, with Andrew Tso who had roofing issues. The clinic will assist elders with fire woods.
 - A new hogan will be built at the Gentle Iron hawk Shelter. Also, one is being built in Monument Valley as well as Blanding Family Practice
 7. Chapter Officials
 - Martha Saggboy reported that a new Utah Dine Advisory Committee is needed to be appointed from this chapter.
 - The chapter needs to re-establish all the sub-committees as the CLUP, Housing, Economic Development, Senior Council and others as needed.
 - Clifford Sagg reported on the newly established Food Bank at the chapter. Next shipment will be near the end of this month.
 - Cassandra Beletso mentioned that she will be hosting an Appreciation Luncheon for Curtis Yanito at the chapter for his work as the previous Chapter President.
 - Mr. Dean Paul was given time to make some remarks to the chapter.

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Action: Carmelita Sagg motioned to approve all the items under Section IV (A, B C and D), seconded by Dustin Blackhat with a vote of 24 in favor, 00 opposed and 00 abstained.

- V. The Regular Chapter Meeting was motioned for adjournment with a motion from Carmelita Sagg at 3:53 pm., seconded by Dustin Blackhat with a vote of 24 in favor, 00 oppose and 00 abstaining.**

Posted by: **Clifford L. Sagg**

Date Posted: **02/06/2023**