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**Tsayatoh Chapter – The Navajo Nation
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Date / Time: , January 21, 2025 | 1: 00 PM | *Presiding:* President Ellen Young-Thomas

- | Item | Action |
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| I. Call to Order – President Young-Thomas at 1:20 P.M. | Time/Roll Call/Sign-In |
| 1. Roll Call – Vice-President Yazzie, declared roll call, meeting 15 minimum attendance requirements. Sergent of Arms - Walter Hudson | |
| II. Urgent Business | |
| A. <u>TSA-2025-01-001</u> – Requesting and Approval to appoint Pro-temp Chapter Secretary/Treasurer to serve until March of 2025. <u>Nicholas Young</u> was voted in by community members present and now serves as Pro-temp Secretary for Tsayatoh Chapter. | |
| <u>Motion:</u> Kathy Yazzie | 2nd: Jane Long Vote: 12 – 2 – 1 PASSED |
| III. Invocation – Jane Long gave the invocation. | |
| IV. Welcome/Introductions – President Young-Thomas welcomed the community members in attendance. | |
| V. Review/Adopt Agenda – Vice-President Yazzie read aloud the agenda and called for motion. | |
| INCIDENT: <u>Elizabeth Mosley</u> spoke in front of the community with the microphone, she expressed criticism for how the regular meeting was being run since her daughter withdrew from being a chapter official. She used harsh language and exhibited unprofessional behavior towards Chapter Officials, CSC, and certain community members present. A Point of Order was announced by <u>Jay Chee</u> , but was ignored. Jay Chee gave her a warning that he will take action because this behavior was unacceptable as well as unprofessional. <u>Elizabeth Mosley</u> again ignored him. Jay Chee called the Window Rock Police Department. Elizabeth Mosley than left. The regular meeting continued. | |
| <u>Motion:</u> Benson Long | 2nd: Kathy Yazzie PASSED |
| VI. Approval of Meeting Minutes – Minutes were printed out and given to the people to read. | |
| 1. December Regular Meeting – December, 2024 | |

VII. **Financial Report** – Pro-Temp, Nicholas Young read the financial report aloud.

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1. December 2024 Tsayatoh Chapter Financial Report

Motion: Jane Long

2nd: Benson Long

Vote: 19 – 0 – 3 PASSED

VIII. **New Business:**

Action Item – Resolutions

- A. **TSA-2025-01-002** – Approving the Planning and Regular Meetings be held on the first Tuesday and third Tuesday of each month beginning January 2025.
(Sponsor: Ellen Young-Thomas, President)

Motion: Jane Long

2nd: Ernest John

Vote: 18 – 0 – 1 PASSED

- B. **TSA-2025-01-003** – Supporting and approving the removal of Ramona J. Nelson, former President, from the Wells Fargo Chapter account as a signatory.
(Sponsor: Ellen Young-Thomas, President)

Motion: Charlie Thomas Jr.

2nd: Kathy Yazzie

Vote: 17 – 0 – 3 PASSED

- C. **TSA-2025-01-004** – Supporting and approving to add Mr. Robert Yazzie, Vice-President, and Ms. Guarena Adeky, SPPS, to the Wells Fargo Chapter account as signatories.
(Sponsors: Chapter Officials and Chapter Office Administration)

Motion: Arlene John

2nd: Benson Long

Vote: 15 – 0 – 2 PASSED

- D. **TSA-2025-01-005** – Approving Scholarship awards for Tsayatoh College Students at Full time Expending \$6,000.00 from Fund 13-6721 and Part time Expending \$600.00 from Fund 13-6721 in accordance with the Tsayatoh Chapter Scholarship Fund Policy & Procedures
(Sponsor: Tsayatoh Chapter Officials and Office Administration)

Jay Chee represented the students who received scholarships and could not be in attendance. Citing that education is important especially for the young community members of Tsayatoh chapter.

Motion: Henry Long

2nd: Ernest John

Vote: 18 – 0 – 3 PASSED

- E. **TSA-2025-01-006** – Supporting the Eastern Navajo Agency Council Resolution ENAC 12-2024-041: Calling upon the 25th Navajo Nation Council and Navajo leadership, to urge immediate investigation and accountability regarding misconduct and abuse of authority within the Office of the President and Vice President of the Navajo Nation, to protect the integrity and reputation of the Navajo Nation
(Sponsor: Ellen Young-Thomas, President)

President Ellen Thomas answered questions and explained what the context of this resolution entails. Henry Long also brought up that missing fund needs to be investigated as well.

Motion: Jane Long

2nd: Kathy Yazzie

Vote: 19 – 0 – 2 PASSED

- F. **TSA-2025-01-007** – Accepting and approving the General Fund Carryover in the amount of \$3,808.48.
(Sponsor: Office Administration)

Jay Chee explained and summarized General Fund Carryover and why it was needed.

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Motion: Arlene John

2nd: Kathy Yazzie

Vote: 17 – 0 – 2 PASSED

- G. **TSA-2025-01-008** – Accepting and approving the Gaming Fund Carryover in the amount of \$6,248.47.
(Sponsor: Office Administration)

Motion: Jane Long

2nd: Ernest John

Vote: 18 – 0 – 3 PASSED

- H. **TSA-2025-01-009** – Supporting and approving the Budget Transfer in the amount of \$1,800.00 from GL Code 12-6605-05 to GL Code 12-6605-04 for Special Meeting Stipends for Chapter Officials.
(Sponsor: Office Administration)

President Ellen Thomas explained the resolution for those who needed clarification.

Motion: Kathy Yazzie

2nd: Charlie Thomas Jr. **Vote:** 17 – 0 – 3 PASSED

- I. **TSA-2025-01-010** – Accepting and approving the donation of \$250.00 from Senator G. Munoz, for the Community Holiday Dinner back in December 2024, be deposited to GL Code 23-6352.
(Sponsor: Office Administration)

Motion: Henry Long

2nd: Arlene John

Vote: 14 – 0 – 4 PASSED

- J. **TSA-2025-01-011** – Supporting and approving to purchase new tires for the Backhoe heavy equipment in the amount of \$3,908.50.
(Sponsor: Office Administration)

Jay Chee spoke to the community members on why new tires were needed for the backhoe. He also stated that with President Trumps proclamation to raise tariffs that backhoe parts and equipment could be more expensive in the future.

Motion: Ernest John

2nd: Charlie Thomas Jr. **Vote:** 16 – 0 – 3 PASSED

- K. **TSA-2025-01-012** – Supporting and approving the Budget Transfer in the amount of \$726.22 from GL Code 01 6101 to GL Code 03-6611 to pay for insurance premium.
(Sponsor: Office Administration)

Jay Chee explained to community members on why the chapter needed to pay for insurance premium.

Motion: Arlene John

2nd: Henry Long

Vote: 16 – 0 – 2 PASSED

IX. REPORTS

- A. 25th Navajo Nation Council Delegate, Hon. Lester Yazzie **NO SHOW**
- B. Tsayatoh Veteran's Commander, Mr. Henry Long
Henry Long spoke that it is difficult to run meetings with the council delegate especially because with so many upcoming projects in 2025.
Walter Hudson explained how policies changed from Navajo Nation and Chapter Houses. He also said community needs to be more involved in staff meetings and planning meetings.

- C. Community Service Coordinator, Mr. Jay Chee
Jay Chee welcomed new community member attendees. Discussed Capital Outlay Project and the construction of the new Tsayatoh Chapter House which is still in the planning and designing phase. Jay Chee also explained why a homesite lease is important to receive aid from the chapter.
- D. Tsayatoh Land Board – **VACANT**
- E. Community Health Worker, Ms. Samantha Chee
CHW couldn't attend meeting but left memo of her report. Jay Chee read her report aloud. See attached documents

X. Announcements/Information

- 1. MLK, Jr. Day – January 20, 2025 (Observed Holiday)
- 2. National Freedom Day – February 01, 2025
- 3. Tsayatoh Chapter Planning Meeting – Tuesday, February 04, 2025 at 1: 00 p.m.
- 4. Tsayatoh Chapter Regular Meeting – Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.
- 5. Bathroom Renovation Project – Application Open (notify Chapter Office Admin of inquiries)

XI. Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 5:27 P.M.

Motion: Jane Long

2nd: Kathy Yazzie

Vote: 16 – 0 – 1 PASSED