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TSAYATOH CHAPTER PLANNING MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 03, 2024, AT 1:00 PM

TSAYATOH, NAVAJO NATION, NEW MEXICO 87301

- I. **Meeting Call in Order:** 1:00 PM
 - a. **Official Roll Call:** Ramona J. Nelson, Ellen Young Thomas, Lucy Antone, Davina Spencer, Jay Chee, and Lester C. Yazzie.
 - b. **Invocation:** Ramona J. Nelson
 - c. **Sargeant at Arms:** Ellen Young Thomas

- II. **Review and Adoption of the Agenda:** The agenda was read and adopted.

MOTION:	Deloria Ashley	SECOND:	Walter Hudson
VOTE:	-10- In Favor	-0- Oppose	-2- Abstained

- III. **New Business: (Resolutions/Action Items).** Chapter.
 - 1. Resolution TSA 2024-11-001: Support and approve to buy 6 tires for the Grader in amount of \$6,251.12.
 - 2. Resolution TSA 2024-11-002: Amend the Continuing Resolution for Budget FY2025 in amount of \$149,070.50.
 - 3. Resolution TSA 2024-11-003: Approve and request Funds for Capital Outlay County Road 1 in amount of \$4.7 million to chip seal.
 - 4. Resolution TSA 2024-11-004: Approve to request funds for construction of new chapter.

- IV. **Receive Chapter - & Business Reports:**

a. Honorable Council Delegate:	Mr. Lester C. Yazzie
b. Veterans' Organization:	Commander Henry Long
c. Land Board:	Ms. Davina Spencer
d. Community Service Coordinator:	Mr. Jay Chee
e. Navajo Tech, Navajo Mine	Mr. Leonard Palmer Sr.

- V. **Brief statements and announcements:**

1. November 05, 2024: National, State & Local Election. Chapter Admin closed.
2. November 11, 2024: Veterans Day. National Holiday. Chapter Admin closed.
3. November 17, 2024: Tsayatoh Chapter Regular Meeting @ 1:00 PM.
4. November 28, 2024: Thanksgiving Day.
5. If you are requesting assistance with Powerline Extension/Waterline Extension House Wiring please stop by the Chapter and make sure your application is on file and update your information. Continental Divide Electric Company (CDEC), Office of Indian Health Service – Sanitation Facilities and Construction (IHS/OEHE) is also requesting that an application must be on file, or an application submitted. House Wiring must have all documents on file with the Chapter to move forward. **(Reminder: all services will require an approved Home Site Lease/Residential Lease).**
6. For Heavy Equipment availability, call the Chapter for more information.

VI. **Adjourned:** 4:55 PM.

MOTION: Dorothy James
VOTE: Consensus of Ayes

SECOND: Walter Hudson

REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS:

- Jay Chee explained reasons for new grader tires
 - Amending the continuing resolution on FY 2025 budget and amount OMB approved
 - Capital Outlay Funds for County Rd 1 in amount of \$4.7 million to chip seal.
 - Currently, there are 1.2 million to plan, design, and construction of new a chapter. Additional funds are needed.
 - Hire 2 PEP workers for the Christmas Dinner.
- Walter Hudson inquired and commented with ideas.
 - PEP worker
 - Student/youth employment and budget
 - Warranty on grader. Documents from 2018 sufficient and supporting. When purchased? If it has expired.
 - DOJ to regain documents.
 - ARPA and procedures to access.
- Jay Chee responded that an amended resolution was drafted. ARPA/RRR. PMD has been giving us excuses.
- Lester Ashley asked why the PEP workers do not receive their paychecks until Monday not on Friday. He went to say the chapter has a lot of money and to give it to him so he could

- spend it. Grader needs tires. The equipment has been neglected while it was parked outside exposed to the elements.
- Jay Chee explained that the chapter officials and he are still revising the policies. The Monday payment will be corrected with policy revision.
 - Walter Hudson made suggestion for chapter community members to spend the 8.1 million dollars.
 - There are 3 types of funding, FY 2025 Budget, FY 2024 Carryover and ARPA(RRR).
 - Della McCrea made a comment that the officials listen, and the community members are boss. CSC is doing a good job by teaching an adjournment method. Stated again the PEP workers to have jobs for 1 year.
 - Dorothy James has windows and a door that needs installation.
 - Marvin Tom came with his brother Ronald Tom. Marvin is asking for Housing Discretionary funds and had come to the chapter house. He also wanted a Verification of residence. He has been to Continental Divide to powerline hookup.
 - Jay Chee wanted to know if he has a structure for the powerline hookup. Answer is no.
 - Marvin explanation finally made sense. He had a structure, and it was falling apart and was dismantle. The powerline has been put up on the pole. He wants to build another structure. He has a homesite lease. Davina Spencer will assist him with the land status. There are no Housing Discretionary funds till March 2025.
 - Lester Yazzie's reported on:
 - Veterans agree on funds.
 - 6 months continuing resolution.
 - B&F
 - Land board – livestock is sacred.
 - Indian Health Service with water coming. Nygren signed the reservation wide to add bathroom addition.
 - 235 million divided by 24.
 - Sewer treating, convenient gas stores.
 - Walter Hudson made comments on how to spend the funds from Sishasin, ARPA (RRR) and Capital Outlay. He talked about Cameron chapter getting a new chapter within 3 months.
 - Elizabeth asked for assistance with the survey and made a motion to adjourned.
 - Della McCrea said you can leave, I still have questions. She suggested the following:
 - Catered food for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's dinner.
 - PEP worker to chop wood for elders.
 - Wood voucher.
 - Jay Chee agrees with Della. Wood chopping by PEP workers has liability and insurance safety issues.

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- Davina Spencer helps with compliance. She encouraged more participation of community members. She mediates and advocates for the permit holders. She is still performing tally counts. The land board has asked for no increase on the grazing fees.
- Walter Hudson said there is an increase in the price of pour on. Maybe, the chapter may set an account for cost share for the permit holders. There are 14 in the area.
- Jay Chee explained the policy review and procedures.
 - Internal audit soon.
 - Giving hard time to community members.
 - Cancel the contract of new chapter with vice-president's signature.
 - Plan, design, and construction of new chapter. Have 1.2 million for the new chapter.
 - Looking for documents.
 - Heavy Equipment.
 - Chapter compound fencing and resurvey.
 - CHR, AMS, OS are 8-5 employees. They are not mandated and are exempt.
 - Coal delivered.
- Dorothy James asked if the chapter is available on December 08, 2024. Jay Chee informed her to complete the facility usage form.
- There was a motion/second to adjourned. The vote was consensus in favor.

Respectfully submitted by: /s/ Lucy Antone on November 12, 2024