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Ashdla' Yihah, Ahní'ní'á dóó T'ááláhádi azlǫ́'go*

Presiding: Táá' naaznili Ellen Young-Thomas

I. Meeting call to order – By President Ellen Young-Thomas at 1:00 PM.

1. Invocation: By Vice-President Robert D. Yazzie
2. Roll Call: By Vice-President Robert D. Yazzie. Ellen Young Thomas, Robert D. Yazzie, Lucy Antone were present.
3. Sargeant at Arms: Appointed by Ellen Young Thomas

II. Review/Adopt Agenda: By Lucy Antone, Secretary/Treasurer.

MOTION : Kathleen Yazzie SECOND : Pauline Lee VOTE : 11-0-1

III. New Business: Resolutions/Action Items.

1. Resolution TSA #2025-04-001: To approve budget transfer request in the amount of \$3,000.00 for propane.
2. Resolution TSA #2025-04-002: To approve budget transfer request in the amount of \$460.78 for Agency Special chapter meetings for officials' stipends.
3. Resolution TSA #2025-04-003: To approve and accept Healthy Food Fund in amount of \$3,171.00.
4. Resolution TSA #2025-04-004: To approve and accept the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget.
5. Resolution TSA #2025-04-005: To approve Housing Discretionary Funds to assist eligible clients.
6. Resolution TSA #2025-04-006: To approve as determined by Random Lot provisions of the Navajo Election Code Declaring and Certifying Ms. Kathleen Arviso as the Elected Candidate for Land Board At-Large Position representing the Rock Springs and Tsayatoh Chapters for the 2024-2028 Term of Office.

IV. REPORTS:

- A. Naadiin dóó bi'aan ashdla', Béesh baah dahsi'ání, Lester C. Yazzie
- B. Siláoltsooí, Mr. Henry Long
- C. Community Service Coordinator, VACANT
- D. Tsayatoh Land Board – VACANT
- E. Community Health Worker, Ms. Samantha Chee

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VI. Announcements/Information

1. April 15, 2025 - Tsayatoh Chapter Regular Meeting at 1:00 pm.
2. April 20, 2025 - Easter Sunday.
3. April 22, 2025 – Earth Day. Pick up trash.

VII. Meeting adjourned: 3:21 PM

MOTION: Jayne Long

SECOND: Pauline Lee

VOTE: Unanimous

REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS:

- Ellen Young Thomas began the meeting and explained the process of the meeting. She announced that the Vice-President will run the meeting for his learning.
- Lucy Antone read the agenda. The agenda was approved and accepted.
- Pauline Lee was given an opportunity to speak. She wants the chapter to build her a 2-bedroom house. She explained her hardship. She lives in a small G-building, and she has a hogan. She is asking for assistance with weatherization. She has been labeled handicapped, and she is not handicapped. She has had Archaeological clearance and survey completed.
- Ellen Young Thomas responded that Guarena will talk about this at the regular meeting. There are resources like Southwest Foundation and Navajo Housing Authority. Chapter has housing discretionary funds to assist with repairs. There are no funds to build homes.
- Phillip Coan is asking for Housing Discretionary assistance to repair his father's old house. He has submitted all pertaining documents.
- Guarena indicated that he needs the assessments which will be completed by Lester Ashley.
- Phillip Coan wants assistance with housing wiring. This will require a Certified Electrician. The bills had gone to the wrong address and the electricity was disconnected.
- Ellen Young Thomas responded, a Letter of Compliance application is needed.
- Josephine McCray on behalf of Winnie Smith is asking about roofing.
- Guarena said Winnie Smith is on the list.
- Shundiin Livingston, Wildlife Technician asked to be on the agenda for presentation at the regular meeting.
- Guarena announced that Emergency Training will be held on April 16-17, 2025, for chapter officials.
- Milton Davidson reported that the Council Delegate, Lester C. Yazzie, has budget meetings.
 - Six (6) months budget.
 - CLUPC is needed and Guarena will advertise.
 - Tsayatoh Chapter was certified at one time.

- Funding for Rural Address.
 - Chapter manager is needed.
 - Trash on the road already.
 - Rodney of McKinley County Roads said there is no ROW on the Tsayatoh Road West. One person said no, it halted the construction. He stressed working together.
 - ARPA to RRR to general fund.
 - Guarana is working with 19 chapters.
- Rudy Coan talked about having a Powwow/Gourd Dancing at Tsayatoh Chapter. He is asking for fund raising. This event will be held on May 25, 2025. He invited all interested people.
- Ellen Young Thomas agrees with this event. She also mentioned that the Veterans are welcome. Fund raising examples will be bingo and food sales. This is a way for the community members to come together.
- Jayne Long said she is secretary for the Tsayatoh Veterans Organization. Her husband, Henry Long, is the Commander. The Gourd Dancing and drum group are good and spiritual. She is a shell dancer to support her husband. There are prayers and is good for the community. She agrees fund raising is good. The Tsayatoh Veterans Organization is having a meeting on April 7, 2025, at 4:00 pm. She told a story of the Vietnam Veteran of Cortez, Colorado who puts on this type of event yearly.
- Benson Long and Rodell Long asked about the bathroom addition for Jennie Ape. She is on the list for the Bathroom Addition Project.
- Kathleen Arviso, candidate for Land Board wants a resolution to be certified for the position.
- Anita Curley is asking about a CHIID Home for Betty L. Scott. Betty L. Scott is number 4 on the list of 10 names submitted. She wants the Council Delegate to move Betty L. Scott to number 1.
- Lester C. Yazzie mentioned the 6 chapters submitted 10 names and Patrick Delgai is in charge.
- Guarena said the CHIID Housing was by Council Delegate region.
- Lester C. Yazzie talked about the software and funds. Mr. Waseta has resigned. Candace Yazzie is the acting director.
- Revenue for 6 months (2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarter) from oil and coal. Powerline Transmission payment is not yet paid,
- ARPA project has account numbers. Solid Waste fund was forward to Chapter HVAC.
- Capital Outlay fund and New Mexico State delegation.
- Henry Long said to use the existing funds, and they will be replenished. He told his mother's history of participation in the chapter and his Vietnam experience. Vietnam Veterans were not welcomed back. They are impaired mentally and physically. Some are homeless. They do not ask for assistance.
- He asked about the Fund allocation of \$5,000.00.
- Lester C. Yazzie said there will be no reversion of the 500 thousand dollars allocated to the agencies. \$5,000.00 to chapters. The SYEP funding. Solid Waste and Land withdrawal. Utilities and sales taxes are not posted.
- Ellen Young Thomas announced an event at Fish and Wildlife to be held on April 5, 2025, at 9:00 am. Water and snack will be available. Bring your own field glasses (Binocular). Stories on wildlife will be presented.

- Guarena reported the Bathroom Addition is moving forward with three (3) clients, Clara Morris, Jennie Ape and Shania Begay.
Powerline contract is going through process 164 and is at Controller's and needs the President's signature.
NM State funds are used for house wiring. She will update on HVAC after the meeting.
- Ellen Young Thomas wants the CLUPC advertised.
- Kathleen Arviso is certified and will work with the two (2) chapters, Rock Spring and Tsayatoh.
 - BIA Realty is closed.
 - District 16 meeting at Pinedale on April 18, 2025.
- Ellen Young Thomas asked when the grazing permits will be given back.
- Samantha Chee, CHW gave out insect spray. She talked about spring cleaning and trash.
- Benson Long asked about having a trash bin at the chapter.
- Lester C. Yazzie talked about Solid Waste at the other chapters. They have revenue for workers, a small shelter with heat, water and electricity. Tsayatoh and Manuelito Chapter could work together on a Solid Waste site.
- Henry Long said there is a State Land available.
- Ellen Young Thomas said the Solid Waste fund is pending. The site chosen tend to have collection of water during rain. Having a trash bin is a good idea.
 - Gourd Dancing with prayers could bring the community member together.
- Herman Yazzie reported that there is no burning allowed. He reported that hot ashes must be cool down.

Respectfully submitted by: /S/ Lucy Antone on April 3, 2025

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