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TSAYATOH CHAPTER PLANNING MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 04, 2024 @ 1:00 PM

TSAYATOH, NAVAJO NATION, NEW MEXICO

I. Meeting Call in Order: 1:21 PM

a. Official Roll Call: Ramona J Nelson, Ellen Young Thomas, and Lucy Antone

b. Invocation: Ramona J. Nelson

c. Sargeant at Arms: *Ellen Young Thomas*

II. Review & Adoption of AGENDA: The agenda as reviewed and adopted.

MOTION: Ella Peter

SECOND: Ellen Young Thomas

VOTE: -10- In Favor

-0- Oppose

-5- Abstained

III. New Business: Resolutions (/Action Items).

1. Resolution # TSA 2024-02-001 – an action supporting Navajo Nation Council Resolution CO-85-23 to amend the Navajo Nation Local Governance Act to allow virtual/hybrid chapter meetings.

2. Resolution # TSA 2024-02-002 – accepting and approving the FY 2024 Allocation of Emergency Funds in the amount of \$35,000.00.

3. Resolution # TSA 2024-02-003 – accepting and approving the FY 2024 Allocation of GWA General Funds in amount of \$5,049.00.

4. Resolution # TSA 2024-02-004 – accepting and approving the FY 2024 Allocation of OMB Carryover Gaming Funds in amount of \$6,248.47.

5. Resolution # TSA 2024-02-005 – accepting and approving the FY 2024 Allocation of OMB Carryover General Funds in amount of \$3,350.20.

6. Resolution # TSA 2024-02-006 – approving the budget transfer in amount of \$2,000.00 in Fund 27 – Navajo Nation 200,00 CIP from the Infrastructure – Land Improvements line item into Repairs & Maintenance - Vehicle Line Item.

IV. Receive Chapter Governance & Business Reports:

All speakers will be given 5 minutes to complete reports.

a. New Mexico Cabinet Secretary for the Department of the Department of Indian Affairs: Mr. Seth Damon

b. Legislative Assistance:

Mr. Tommie Tsosie

- c. Veteran's Organization:
Commander, Henry J. Long
- d. Community Health Worker:
Ms. Samantha Chee
- e. Land Board:
VACANT
- f. Senior Program & Project Specialist:
Ms. Guarena Adekey
- g. CLUPC President:
Mr. Davidson Nelson
- h. Council Delegate Candidate:
Mr. Harrison Chon
- i. Council Delegate Candidate:
Ms. Arlene Nakai-Brown
- j. Council Delegate Candidate:
Mr. Edward "Chip" Begay

V. Announcements/Brief Statements:

- 1. February 14, 2024: Valentine's Day.
- 2. February 18, 2024: Tsayatoh Chapter Regular Meeting at 1:00 PM.
- 3. If you are requesting assistance with Powerline Extension/Water Line 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 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. Heavy Equipment (Motor Grader and Backhoe are available). No operator. Call the Chapter for more information.

VI. Adjourned: 3:30 PM,

REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS:

- Guarena Adekey requested resolutions on budget transfers, approving, and accepting funds items to be presented at the regular meeting.
- Mr. Seth Damon praised Commander Henry Long on his leadership. The Veterans Trust Funds have increased from 33% to 80%.
- Ms. Shandiin Parrish, BNF Chair from Kayenta, attended our planning meeting.
- Commander Henry Long accepted the praise from Mr. Damon.
- Guarena's report was on:
 - CSC applicant was interviewed.
 - Powerline, bathroom addition Projects.

- The new chapter will cost 8 million dollars. New Mexico State is allowing the officials to submit for 1 million dollars grant.
- County Roads ROWs.
- Chapter to support Hybrid Meetings.
- CLUPC will discuss the Plan of Operation at next meeting.
- Lenora Jim was appreciative of receiving electricity.
 - Her family still need water.
- Ms. Shandiin Parrish reported on Bathroom additions. BNF, ARPA and 6.2 million dollars.
- Arlene Nakai-Brown and Edward “Chip” Begay are candidates for the Council Delegate vacancy. They both express their qualifications. They want the community members’ vote on March 26, 2024 at the Special Election.
- Guarena Adekey announced that she is filing free income taxes for those low-income community members. If Tsayatoh community members would want this service, she can decide to set a day to accommodate.
- Brenda Hoskie democrat chair and Charlene Soce made comments.

Respectfully submitted by: _____ /S/ *Lucy Antone*
_____ on February 7, 2024