

**COPPERMINE CHAPTER  
PLANNING REPORT MEETING  
MARCH 5, 2024 at 2pm  
MINUTES**

- I. Meeting call to order by Allen Fowler at 2:24pm.
- II. Invocation by Floyd Stevens.
- III. Review and adopt the agenda by Allen Fowler.
  - Add-on: Lola Smith = chapter parking lot – New Business for Discussion
  - Allen – what you mean discussion
  - Lola – obtain input from community
  - Allen – put you at Presentation/Report #4
  - Add-on: Floyd Stevens = Resolution been typed at the chapter administration on Little Colorado River. This resolution was brought to the chapter and table to revise resolution and obtain more information. I volunteer to gather more information. I wrote up the resolution and start the process for the resolution.
  - Floyd – read the resolution heading
  - Add-on: Debra S = update on FBFA meeting – Report/Presentation #5
  - Add-on: Sus Russell = add to New Business – Page Attack Trash April 20 so would like to have Coppermine do Clean up for April 6 before Page, need everyone’s input
  - Allen – put you under old business
  - Motion: Lola Smith                      Second: Stanford Fowler                      Vote: 04/00/00
- IV. Approval of last meeting minutes to be posted at Administration Building
  - Motion: Stanford Fowler                      Second: Lola Smith                      Vote: 04/00/00
- V. Old Business:
  1. Coppermine Trash Day – Sue Russell : during Page Attack Trask people pickup trash in Coppermine during Page Attack Trash or some people say im going to pickup trash in Coppermine for little bit then go to Page to pick up trash too. Need to pickup trash on Road N20 and Hwy 89. I need everyone help. Only road I didn’t input was Road N21. Monkey road there is a lot of beer bottles/cans. People camp and dump their trash. Let do our own Coppermine Attack Trash. I prepare menu and use Unheathy Food Tax. That is a lot of mileage. Menu – we need purchase sheep, pickup trash from 8am to noon then bring your trash to chapter, need 4-5 trucks to take trash to tuba city, menu (mutton sandwich), corn on cob, watermelon/honeydew/cantelope, Gatorade, I got quotes from walmart/safeway/
    - Floyd – hwy 89 contact ADOT,
    - Sue – at chapter meeting, bring poster, have poster contest, lets see at chapter meeting and have people vote on best poster, allen take them out for breakfast,
    - Sue – how can we involve, need 5 people to volunteer to haul trash, we need wood to cook the meat
    - Lola – assign every 3 mile for group
    - Cora – road 6210. Sue – yes. Cora – I’ll be in charge of 6210.
    - Sue – can put poster at varies locations
    - Sue – lets get community’s participation
    - Sue – what can we do with beer bottles/can, have math activity

Sue – bring your posters, still getting quotes  
 Cindy – how many vests. Sue – 100.  
 Allen – get quotes for safety vest  
 Sue – it can be used year after year, trash bags,  
 Tom – its a lot of work, to get people involvement, ask ADOT on bag, after NGS went away then ADOT doesn't do trash bags and vests, write letter to NTEC for trash bags and have someone to pickup trash bag,  
 Cora – will there be tshirts  
 Valerie – need the drawing and I can work on the tshirts  
 Sue – florescent color, who can contact Roads, need sign for public event  
 Allen – will contact Roads,

VI. New Business:

1. Financial Report and update report – Chapter Secretary/Treasurer – Valerie Fowler  
 Bank Information for month of Feb 2024:

Beginning Balance	984,258.88
Cash Deposits	0
Direct Deposit on 2/9 for Emergency Fund	35,000.00
Expenses (28 checks)	12,486.14
Ending Balance	1,006,772.74

ARPA Project update (FUNDS REMAIN IN WINDOW ROCK):

- Warehouse – JSRA is supposed to work on this, heard its bulk order
- Dump Truck/Trailer – JSRA is supposed to work on this, heard its bulk order
- Solid Waste: Contract Agreement between NN and Republic Services for \$36K
  - Meeting last week between Republic Services and DOJ regarding contract wording
  - Per meeting, Republic Services will send revise price estimate
  - DOJ will work with Republic Services on the Service Contract
  - After gathering all documents, then will package for Section 164 Review. This take 3-4 months.
- PPE Supplies \$44K
  - Previous 3 price quotes have expired due to waiting on DCD/JSRA/ARPA
  - Chapter Staff obtain 2 new quotes with double the quantity and finally received 3<sup>rd</sup> price quote this week
  - This week will forward price quotes to DCD/ARPA along with Debarment and W9 so DCD can obtain OR to get Purchase Order for \$10K
  - Will purchase the items for \$10K, then reorder more supplies when supplies are given out to the community
  - Item purchase is Soap, Clorox wipes, wipes
- Community Cemetery \$120K
  - Land Withdrawal Package was submitted to GLDD
  - Last week per GLDD there was 2 document lacking for package.
  - Forward document to Grazing Official for signatures and email to GLDD
  - Per GLDD it will take 2-3 weeks to process Temporary Land Withdrawal
  - Need to work on obtain 3 price quotes for Arch Clearance and Bio. Eunice provided her quote but needs to be on paper quote and not through email. Have request for JSRA to obtain quote but no response.

FBFA Project update (FUNDS REMAIN IN WINDOW ROCK):

- Received word from NHLC last week that OMB has approved NN BF1-6 for Funds
- NHLC will submit to JVA to advertise Carpenters and Senior Carpenters through Department of Personnel Management
- NHLC will work on obtaining current price quotes for materials and submit OR to get Purchase Order
- Funds have to approve by OMB every fiscal year
- Personnel to be advertised is the \$100K
- Purchase Order for Price Quotes is the \$200K

Emergency Fund – Funds Received in Chapter Checking Account of \$35,000

Here is budget items from WIND system:

## **General Fund**

### **Assistance**

#### **Chapter**

8715: Grant: 17-6101

1 HEO x \$20 p/h x 160 hrs = \$3,200

Social Security \$198.40

Medicare \$46.40

Workers Comp = \$24.00

6103 - FICA Expense 6.2% = \$198.40

6104 - Medicare Expense 1.45% = \$46.40

6108 - Workmen's Compensation Expenses .75% = \$24.00. [ \$3,468.80]

8715: Grant: 17-6101

2 Laborers x \$15 p/h x 160 hrs ea = \$4,800

Social Security \$297.60

Medicare \$69.60

Worker's Comp \$36.00

6103 - FICA Expense 6.2% = \$297.60

6104 - Medicare Expense 1.45% = \$69.60

6108 - Workmen's Compensation Expenses .75% = \$36.00. [ \$5,203.20]

8715: Grant: 17-6353

Purchase wood for Community distribution

Up to \$400 per cord x 20 cords = \$8,000. [ \$8,000.00]

8715: Grant: 17-6321

Purchase Gasoline for Chapter use during an Emergency

\$1,000. [ \$1,000.00]

8715: Grant: 17-6322

Purchase Diesel Fuel for Chapter use during an Emergency

\$1,000. [ \$1,000.00]

8715: Grant: 17-6413

Purchase propane for Community Distribution

\$3,000. [ \$3,000.00]

8715: Grant: 17-6505  
Repair & Maintenance for Generator during an Emergency  
\$500. [ \$500.00]

8715: Grant: 17-680  
Purchase Generator for Chapter Emergency use  
\$7,000. [ \$7,000.00]

8715: Grant: 17-6801  
Purchase Snow Plow Attachment for backhoe  
\$5,828. [ \$5,828.00]

Motion: Stanford Fowler    Second: Lola Smith    Vote: 04/00/00

**2. RESOLUTION: CO-03-027-24: AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200.00 FOR THE LATE DINAH WHITEHAIR FROM THE CHAPTER ACTIVITY FUND IN MONETARY ASSISTANCE FOR BURIAL ASSISTANCE UTILIZING 13:6721.**

Allen Fowler – read the resolution to the community

Motion: Lola Smith    Second: Stanford Fowler    Vote: 04/00/00

**3. RESOLUTION: CO-03-028-24: SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE DESIGNATION OF THE CONFLUENCE (TOOH AHIDILII) OF THE LITTLE COLORADO AND THE COLORADO RIVERS AND THE LITTLE COLORADO RIVER GORGE AS TRADITIONAL CULTURAL PROPERTY THROUGH THE U.S. NATIONAL REGISTRY OF HISTORIC PLACES (NRHP); AND OPPOSING ANY LARGE SCALE DEVELOPMENT PLANS OR ACTIONS WHICH MAY NEGATE THE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF THE AREA.**

Floyd – resolution brought to chapter but was lacking in areas. Need to indicate historical place. Asking for 660 acres. Pipeline on top. Bottom have another water. Endanger species. There be 2 resolutions. I volunteer to write the resolution. Coppermine is supporting gap tcp, big canyon dam project. Federal energy regulatory. There is 3 in black mesa, hwy 89 near, little Colorado, . FERC haven't consulted with the Navajo people. More was year ago. Confluence. Nominated as tcp. Project got to be more specific. Opposing further preliminary studies. FERC. Endangered species are in the area, even small mammals like ring tail cat. Looking at the map. Looking at the map, south west of Coppermine, there are stock pond. Its straight down. Lines go through sherry stevens then through allen fowler resident, then al long, then hwy 89 row toward horseshoe bend.

Lula – will they provide information on water

Floyd - 100,000 acre feet of water, size of football field,

Lula – if less rain then what

Floyd – shallow wells, may effect water table, only source of water, we are like a bowl, first windmill is like 200 feet, Coppermine is like a bowl, drilling, morman ridge, if might effect that, they have to explore, it will take 5 years to explore, the \$20 million, gap want \$10 million of it.

Floyd – don't make any decision without us for us

Motion: Lola Smith    Second: Stanford Fowler    Vote: 04/00/00

**VII. Reports and Presentation:**

1. Community Health Worker – Susie Shorthair
2. TCRHCC – Stacy Claw
3. Coconino County Supervisor – Lena Fowler
4. Lola Smith – Chapter Parking Lot – water come from the road and its flood zone, its like a pond on parking lot. Delegate indicate community center using arpa funds. How do we tackle this parking lot. We need ideas. Need to improve chapter compound. Franklin said to work on the project, use the dump truck to bring in soil and dump in the pond area.

Stanford – new entrance

Lola – that was suggested to close the road,

Cora – when will this happened

Lola – we need to tackle this, any ideas,

Franklin – hire PEP and use backhoe,

Stanford – rental D10

Lola – when nation was going to build our N20 then chapter parking lot was apart of project, maybe we all bring our shovel and barrel,

Stanford – contact lena fowler for assistance

Floyd – before n20, was slowly moving n20, bia was going to build n20, there was company from Albuquerque that did the engineering work of n20, they visit the chapter, walk the road N20 of the design, this is \$1billion bulldozer which is computerized, pavement by airhead construction and do without using ash fault, rather spend on engineer part,

1. we can ask bia for the blueprint for the road
2. then ask NDOT for assistance

Lola – need to do the following: Coconino County, NDOT

Allen – was that road now the original road,

Floyd – road is by fence south of the entrance

Allen – the floodplain is north of the chapter from mine area, sewer pond, need arch clearance and environmental studies, when looking at goggle earth the entrance is difference location,

Lola – first step is

Allen – we have budget for gravel in capital improvement, contact land department,

Lola – can we get NDOT engineer to come out

Allen – Milepost 8 had pothole

Lola – contact Margorie begay to come out to Coppermine

5. Debra S – FBFA update. Restarting FBFA group at harry begay’s church. 36 in attendance. Got group recognized. People talk about their needs for renovation, new home, prioritize people and their needs, will meet in another month, will write proposals for fbfa to lena fowler and Helena begay.

#### VIII. Chapter Officials / Council Delegate /CLUPC Report:

1. Council Delegate – Helena Nez Begay
2. Chapter President – Allen Fowler Jr. – attend CHID, arpa funding, was given cost funds, CDBG and CHID and HIP programs, CHID have 10 names, I told them to give me the names but no selection and stated will know in month, they all got money but aint saying who is going to get assistance. CHID is federal program, HIP too. Form is online. HIP program. CDBG. Its federal program. It can’t be over 150% poverty. Attend WNAC worksession. March 16 – WNAC meeting at Dennehotso. Virtual is the majority of the chapter have to vote on it.
3. Chapter Vice-President – Lola Smith – my report is the parking lot
4. Chapter Grazing Official – Stanford Fowler
5. CLUPC President – Linda Long – report at chapter meeting  
Allen – at your next meeting have officials and chapter staff and clup members to discuss the chapter compound, chapter parking lot,  
Linda – invite BIA roads, ADOT, NDOT, etc for presentation. Not available from April 1 to April 10.  
Lola – need to meet asap  
Linda – have sent email to Margorie numerous time on road and junction,  
Linda – get the presenters to come
6. Community Service Coordinator – Minnette Roundstone – report at chapter meeting

#### IX. Announcements:

1. Next Regular Chapter Meeting – March 17, 2024 @ 3pm (DST)
2. Election : Federal, State, County – March 19, 2024 from 5am to 9pm
3. St. Mary’s Food Bank – March 21, 2024 @ 1pm (DST)
4. Veterans Meeting – March 22, 2024 @ 5 PM (MST)
5. TCRHCC Mobile Unit – March 14, 2024 @ 845am – 3pm (DST) at Coppermine Chapter House
6. Next Planning Meeting – TBA

X. Adjournment at 4:48pm. Motion Stanford Fowler. Second Lolal Smith. Vote: 03/00/00.

*Valerie Fowler*

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Coppermine Secretary/Treasurer