

COPPERMINE CHAPTER  
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 @ 2PM (DST)  
MINUTES

- I. Meeting called to order by Allen Fowler at 3pm.
- II. Invocation by Paul Begay.
- III. Review and adopt the agenda. Ready by Allen Fowler.  
Motion: Susie Shorthair                      Second: Lula Tsinnijinnie                      Vote: 19 / 00 / 08  
Valerie – change resolution from CC to CO  
April – correction in last name to Endischiee  
Edith – add me to agenda for update on manual
- IV. Approval of last meeting minutes to be posted at administration building  
Motion: Susie Shorthair                      Second: Angle Clark                      Vote: 23 / 00 / 05
- V. Old Business
  1. Resolution CO-09-034-23: Supporting and Recommending to appoint April Endischiee to the ~~Johnson O'Malley Program~~ Indian Education Committee with the Page Unified School District #8. The alternate will remain vacant. This individual will represent the Coppermine Chapter and its communities on behalf of all Native/Alaskan students.  
April – introduce herself to the community, Des Fowler has reached out to me to be representation. I currently have full time job with Tuba City Regional Healthcare Cooperation. My children attend Page Unified School District. Balancing education and tradition which interested me.  
Motion: Lula Tsinnijinnie                      Second: Frank Spencer                      Vote: 23 / 00 / 05  
  
April - The position is the Indian Education Committee.  
  
Paul – resend the motion.  
Allen – do you Lula and Frank to resent the motion....Lula (yes) and Frank (yes)  
Change the wording from Johnson O'Malley Program to Indian Education  
  
Paul – motion to change strike out Johnson O'Malley and insert Indian Education Committee  
Motion: Paul Begay                      Second: Lula Tsinnijinnie                      Vote: 23 / 00 / 05
- VI. New Business
  1. Financial Report: Chapter Secretary/Treasurer and update report  
Motion: Paul Begay                      Second: Angel Clark                      Vote: 16 / 00 / 11  
Bank Statement:  
Beginning Balance = \$819,346.71  
Deposit = \$920.16  
Checks Processed = \$15,379.92  
Total Checks Processed = 42  
Ending Balance = \$804,886.95



2. Resolution CO-09-036-23: Authorizing the Approval of the Chapter Scholarship General Fund for the following two (2) Full-Time Students in the amount of \$500.00 each utilizing the Scholarship General Fund 14:6721.  
 1) Angel Clark – Utah Tech University      2) Rholandolyn John – Dine College  
 Allen – students presented during Planning Meeting. Angel presented in person and Rholandolyn sent letter  
 Motion: Paul Begay      Second: Faye Mooney      Vote: 24 / 00 / 04
3. Resolution CO-09-037-23: Approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Coppermine Chapter CarryOver Funds in the amount of \$ 778,193.62 for Coppermine Chapter as the CarryOver Budget for FY2024.  
 Motion: Viola Fowler      Second: Caroline Spencer      Vote: 20 / 00 / 07

Valerie – provided the following carryover budget to the community by fund code:

<b>Fund Code: 01    Fund Title: Chapter Activities General Fund</b>			
GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6352	Purchases - Food (Chapter)	To purchase food for chapter functions and activities	4,916.11
6505	Repair & Maintenance - Others	To pay for repairs & maintenance for watering station	3,000.00
6607	Semiars & Registration Fees	To pay for registration fees for CO / Admin / CLUP	5,000.00
6619	Tax Penalties & Interest	To pay for penalties and interests for back taxes owed	2,500.00
6720	Finanical Assistance - Community	20 Families x \$200 Each (youth enrichment)	4,000.00
6721	Finanical Assistance - Medical	20 Families x \$200 Each	4,000.00
6722	Finanical Assistance - Funerals	20 Families x \$200 Each	4,000.00
6802	Equipment	To purchase dump trailer for chapter	
			27,416.11
<b>Fund Code: 03    Fund Title: Land Claims Trust</b>			
GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6300	Office Supplies	To purchase office supplies for Chapter Administration	700.00
6305	Dues and Subcriptions		500.00
6412	Electric Expense	To pay for electric for Chapter Buildings	700.00
6413	Natural Gas/Propane	To pay for propane for Chapter Propane	3,149.80
6415	Water Expense	To pay for water for Chapter Buildings	700.00
6417	Internet Expense	To pay for internet for Chapter Buildings	700.00
6611	Insurance Property	To pay for insurance property for Chapter Buildings	500.00
			6,949.80
<b>Fund Code: 08    Fund Title: Supplemental Youth Funds</b>			
GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
	Salaries - Temporary		
	Salaries - Temporary		
	FICA Expense		
	Medicare Expense		
	SUTA Expense		
	WC Expense		
	Operating Supplies		
			(9,776.71)



**Fund Code: 09 Fund Title: Housing Discretionary Fund**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6724	Financial Assistance - Building Materials	10 families up to \$1500/ea	15,000.00
6724	Financial Assistance - Building Materials	6 families up to \$500/ea	3,000.00
6724	Financial Assistance - Building Materials	6 families up to \$250.91/ea	1,505.46
			<u>19,505.46</u>

**Fund Code: 10 Fund Title: LGA Grant Fund**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6605	Stipends - Meetings	5 CLUPS members x \$125/ea x 12 mtgs	7,500.00
6103	FICA Expense	FICA: 7500 x 6.20% =	465.00
6104	Medicare Expense	Medicare: 7500 x 1.45% =	108.75
6106	SUTA Expense	SUTA: 7500 x 1.83% =	137.25
6108	WC Expense	Workmens Comp: 7500 /100 x \$0.75 =	56.25
6202	Travel Expense	Travel expenses for CLUPC, Admin, COs	2,500.00
6300	Office Supplies	To purchase office supplies for Chapter	1,000.00
6303	Operating Supplies	To purchase operating supplies for Chapter	1,000.00
6305	Dues and Subscriptions	To pay for annual MIP subscriptions fees	1,500.00
6306	Computer Hardware	To purchase software for Chapter Secretary computer	589.65
6804	Computer	To purchase computers and printers for Chapter Secretary	2,000.00
	Building Facility Rental	Strategic Planning, Worksession, etc	2,800.00
			<u>19,656.90</u>

**Fund Code: 12 Fund Title: Chapter Official Stipend**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6605	Stipend Meeting	3 Chapter Officials x \$500/ea x 5 Chapter Meeting	7,500.00
6605	Stipend Meeting	3 Chapter Officials x \$500/ea x 4 Planning Meeting	6,000.00
6605	Stipend Meeting	3 Chapter Officials x \$500/ea x 1 Special Meeting	1,500.00
6605	Stipend Meeting	3 Chapter Officials x \$150/ea x 4 WNAC Meeting	1,800.00
6605	Stipend Meeting	3 Chapter Officials x \$150/ea x 5 District One Council Meeting	2,250.00
6108	Workmen's Compensation	Workmens Compensation Expense	259.60
			<u>19,309.60</u>
			19,309.60

**Fund Code: 13 Fund Title: Scholarship General Fund**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6721	Financial Assistance - Students	6 Part Time x \$225/ea	1,350.00
6721	Financial Assistance - Students	28 Full Time x \$500/ea	14,000.00
			<u>15,350.00</u>

**Fund Code: 14 Fund Title: Scholarship Claims Fund**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6721	Financial Assistance - Students	1 Part Time x \$204/ea	204.00
6721	Financial Assistance - Students	3 Full Time x \$500/ea	1,500.00
			<u>1,704.00</u>
			1,704.00



<b>Fund Code: 15</b>		<b>Fund Title: PEP Fund</b>	
GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6101	Salaries - Temporary	08-6101: One (1) Office Specialist x \$15 x 1120 hours =	16,800.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary	08-6101: One (1) Superviors x \$16 x 560 hours =	8,960.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary	08-6101: Two (2) Labors x \$14 x 560 hours =	15,680.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary	08-6101: One (1) Superviors x \$16 x 560 hours =	8,960.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary	08-6101: Two (2) Labors x \$14 x 560 hours =	15,680.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary (Food Distri)	08-6101: Three (3) Labors x \$14 x 12 hours x 12 months =	6,048.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary (Home Assessor)	08-6101: Two (2) Labors x \$14 x 40 hrs x 4 weeks =	4,480.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary (Maintenance)	08-6101: One (1) Labor x \$14 x 16 hrs x 4 weeks x 3 months =	2,688.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary	08-6101: One (1) Heavy Equipment Operator x \$19 x 480 hours =	9,120.00
6101	Salaries - Temporary	08-6101: remaining amount	1,586.21
6103	FICA Expense	08-6103 FICA: 90,002.21 x 6.20% =	5,581.00
6104	Medicare Expense	08-6104 Medicare: 90,002.21 x 1.45% =	1,306.00
6106	SUTA Expense	08-6106 SUTA: 90,002.21 x 1.83% =	1,648.00
6108	WC Expenses	08-6108: WC: 90,002.21 /100 x \$0.75 =	676.00
			<u>99,213.21</u>

<b>Fund Code: 16</b>		<b>Fund Title: Veterans Fund</b>	
GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6724	Financial Assistance - Building Materials	1 Veteran x \$717	717.00
6730	Emergency Assistance - Personal Needs	10 Veterans x \$194.38/each	1,943.37
6724	Financial Assistance - Building Materials	2 Veterans x \$1000.00/each	2,000.00
			<u>4,660.37</u>

<b>Fund Code: 17</b>		<b>Fund Title: Emergency Fund</b>	
GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6202	Travel Expense		561.25
6351	Purchase - Grain		1,520.00
6352	Purchase - food		12,000.00
6353	Purchase - Wood		9,354.60
			<u>23,435.85</u>

<b>Fund Code: 23</b>		<b>Fund Title: NNSales Tax Funds</b>	
GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6202	Travel Expense	Travel Expense for Chapter Official / Admin / CLUP	13,415.53
6300	Office Supplies	To purchase offices supplies for Chapter Admin	4,000.00
6301	Postage, Freight, USP Expense	To pay for postage for Chapter Buildings	500.00
6303	Operating Supplies	To purchase operating supplies for Chapter Admin	4,000.00
6410	Telephone Expense	To pay for telephone for Chapter Buildings	1,200.00
6412	Electric Expense	To pay for electric for Chapter Buildings	6,000.00
6413	Natural Gas/Propane	To pay for propane for Chapter Propane	6,000.00



6414	Waste Disposal Collection	To pay for waste for Chapter Buildings	6,000.00
6415	Water Expense	To pay for water for Chapter Buildings	6,000.00
6416	Sewage	To pay for sewage for Chapter Buildings	500.00
6417	Internet Expense	To pay for internet for Chapter Buildings	1,200.00
6501	Repair/Maint : Construction Equipment	To pay for R M for Chapter Equipment	16,000.00
6504	Repair/Maint : Buildings	To pay for R/M for Chapter Buildings	16,000.00
6600	Consultant Expense	To pay consultant fees for CLUPC Land Use Plan	568.00
6603	Other Professional Fee	To pay for costs for economic development	34,000.00
6802	Equipment	To purchase a flatbed trailer for chapter use	17,000.00
6804	Computers	To purchase computers and printers for Chapter use	5,000.00
6806	Buildings	To purchase warehouse to house heavy equipment	23,000.00
			<u>160,383.53</u>

**Fund Code: 28 Fund Title: Chapter Projects**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6808	Infrastructure - Bathroom Add	To pay Bathroom/Kitchen Add up to \$5000/each	71,393.00
6812	Infrastructure - Housewiring	To pay costs associated with House Wiring Project	92,800.28
6809	Infrastructure - Powerline	To pay costs associated with Powerline Project	30,629.00
6813	Infrastructure - Land Improv	To pay costs associated with Chapter Parking Lot	53,875.00
6801	Construction Equipment	To purchase cement mixer / dump trailer for chapter use	24,000.00
			<u>272,697.28</u>

**Fund Code: 40 Fund Title: Unhealthy Food**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
6303	Other Supplies Expense	To purchase supplies for community health events	4,000.00
6355	Operating Supplies	To purchase trees and seeds for community garden	1,000.00
6390	Operating Supplies	To purchase drip system, needs supplies for healthy food demos, and fitness instructor	3,000.00
6505	R/M - Others	To pay for playground / recreational area	57,682.74
6600	Consultant Expense	To pay fitness instructors & healthy food consultants for community demo	2,000.00
6806	Buildings	To purchase materials/supplies for exercise room	20,000.00
6813	Infrastructure - Land Improv	To pay ground work for playground, sports complex, etc	30,000.00
			<u>117,682.74</u>

**Fund Code: 34 Fund Title: Agricultural Infrastructure Fund**

GL Code	GL Title	Transaction Description	
	Purchases Hay	Purchases Hay	5.48

FY2024 Carry Over Amount : 778,193.62  
*Using Fund Balance for August 2023* 778,193.62

4. Resolution CO-09-038-23: Authorizing the Approval in the amount of \$150.00 each for the late Ernie Bigman and Rhonda Bedonie from the Chapter Activity Fund in Monetary Assistance for Burial Assistance utilizing Fund 1-6722.

Allen – read the resolution to the community

Motion: Paul Begay

Second: Aprill Endischee

Vote: 23 / 00 / 07

VII. Reports and Presentation

1. Chilchinbeto Pumped Storage Hydropower Project – Virginia White – NOT PRESENT



Lola – during Agency Meeting they provided presentation, they are different company, their resolution was passed at Agency Meeting.

2. Community Health Worker – Susie Shorthair – if you want home renovation with low income and fill out application, have own price quote just one, get quote from home depot and not page lumber because home depot has better quality and variety of items, im registered to registered to vote and must bring CIB, ID, SS (must bring 3 items) etc, I am also notary and charge \$3.00,  
Paul – if child turned 18 in school does child have to come here to registered to vote.  
Susie – must be present to sign document
3. Tuba City Regional Healthcare – Lelia McCabe – NOT PRESENT

#### VIII. Chapter Officials/Council Delegate/CLUP Reports

1. Council Delegate – Helena Nez Begay  
Tom Franklin – Begay is at twin arrows. Last week she traveled to Washington for HESC. Provided awareness on road conditions, veterans needs, home renovation needs, etc. Need for road pavement from Kaibeto to First Windmill for Road N21-B. Council approved \$3 million for children. For the Western IJRA rodeo and provided fruits to the contestants.  
Comment – why is it hard to bring pave roads to their community members,  
Comment – tribal trust land  
Tom – funding, paperwork, she met with Orlando Teller  
Comment – grazing land holds up projects as well  
Comment – what is the latest on water, we live on the western side, we are the last section of the west side, when funds available for ARPA then heard funds are spent, OEH has lost my application twice,  
Comment – need to have good water for the water haulers  
Comment – need to restart the chapter website, need to have chapter minutes posted, need to have chapter forms on the website so people can input their data on needs for water, power, etc,  
Comment – this is not our land it's the US land, if we don't take care of our water and land then US will take the land back, Navajo nation is not working for us, council delegate are not working for us,  
Comment – western pipeline have ask what is going on, was told just testing water, then next thing they are constructing the pipeline, so its hurtful when seeing them constructing the water and take it from Coppermine and take it elsewhere.  
Lola – tell Helena Nez Begay that we need to meet with OEH, Water Resource, etc...why isn't there no waterline for the Former Bennett Freeze Area, we need to find out. Need that information from them. Ive heard that we would have  
Christopher - need to restart the gap website, provide information to the public, people living by gap school use to be Coppermine and they got no assistance so moved to Gap for assistance,  
Allen – the ASC are different from Chapter Officials, the CSC and AMS handles those items, documents are reviewed by ASC,  
Paul – im member of Coppermine, activities going on in window rock, things going with president can be asked to council delegate, buu indicated he wouldn't hire joe Shirley, Patrick Sandoval work for joe Shirley and selected more of joe Shirley administration, president wife father was hired for security and babysitting for \$61K, conflict of interest for Raymond max, its conflict interest for council delegates LDA and kaibeto president, comprehensive budget had a lot of carry over and why didn't our delegate get any funds, delegate needs to make presentation, we need report on the comprehensive report, the western pipeline was approved \$58million dollar, have meeting with western pipeline before I had left and need to continue projects but some projects have stopped.

Lost Quorum. Chapter Officials will just provide report the community.



2. Chapter President – Allen Fowler Jr – chapter reform meeting. Where does it need to be. They say power to the people. Homesite to have it in Tuba City. Put it into agencies. Website is maintained by ASC. Office Specialist is only person working for the chapter here to keep chapter open, so need to watch our words to her. The waterline project which they said there would be T-line to get water to the home residents. Need to get rid of window rock and give power to chapter.
3. Chapter Vice-President – Lola Smith – we need the community, we need to have quorum, update on agency meeting, thanks to district one council meeting for their approved resolution which this resolution to the western agency and was approved, that N21-B is to get on the 5 year plan,
4. Chapter Grazing Official – Stanford Fowler
5. CLUPC President – Linda Long

IX. Announcement

1. Next Chapter Meeting: September 18, 2023 @ 2pm (DST)
2. Next Planning Meeting: October 9, 2023 @ 1pm (DST)
3. St Mary Food Bank: September 19, 2023 @ Noon
4. Veterans Meeting: September 21, 2023 @ 5pm (DST)

X. Adjournment @ 6pm. Motion Lula Tsinnijinnie. Second Frank Spencer.

*Valerie Fowler*

Written and Prepared by Valerie Fowler  
Coppermine Secretary/Treasurer