

Coppermine Veterans Organization
September 19, 2024
Meeting Minutes

Commander: Alfred Long

POC: 928-606-7892

Vice Commander: Peter Tsinajinnie

Secretary: Fern Bigman-Green

DATE: 19 August 2024

A. Roll Call- Sent in by Alfred Long

B. Meeting called to order: 5:45pm MST Started with 2 officers/3 Members

C. Invocation by Peter Tsinnijinnie, moment of silence.

Guests – Helena N. Begaye – Council Delegate

Tom Franklin – LDA

D. Review and Approval of Agenda – 4/0/2 Vote

E. CVO meeting minutes from 8/22/24

Allen Rocke motioned to leave on table/ Laverne Tsosie – Second, 4/0/2 Vote

Old Business- Update on Jackets

Alex Whitehair, Thanked HNB for funding, 1 jacket got messed up, so had to reorder, should be done by mid-October.

CVO Funding amounts, ASC has not corrected funds through the chapter. Refund check from Bitanni Boutique went into wrong Chapter funds. ASC and Valerie know about it and should be corrected soon.

President Nygren has not signed off on the new VTF Policy1

Reports:

Commander – Stand down at Williams 9-13-24

POW/MIA day at NN Veteran's Park in WR. 9-20-24

General Election – 11/05/2024 VOTE!

Vice Commander – Contacted delegate Helena Nez Begaye and invited her to meeting.

Secretary – Fern Green couldn't make it; AW was appointed by Commander for the meeting,
No report.

Helena Nez Begay

Her uncle John Scott and late brother Randy Nez were Veterans. Her and council helped zeroed Western Budget Deficit last year. Despite Eastern saying no. They approved 20 housing for Western Veterans, Coppermine is allocated 1 Veteran house. The Veteran has been selected already but she didn't say who it was, house construction should start soon. Bashas offering discount on groceries for Veterans on first Tuesday of each month beginning 9/3/24. Coppermine still has \$4,907.22 in this year's trust fund allocation. If you haven't been helped, you can still do it since this amount is still available at Western Office in TC. Veterans were surprised of this since some were told in January 2024 that there was no money left for Coppermine. Delegate stated she just received this information from Bobbi Baldwin two days ago.

Next Planning Meeting – October 7, 2024 @ 1pm DST.

Regular Chapter Meeting – October 21, 2024 @ 5pm DST.

WNVA Commander's Meeting – October 3, 2024 in Tuba City.

CVO Meeting – October 24, 2024 @ 5pm DST.

Meeting Adjournment: 7:30 pm