

COPPERMINE CHAPTER  
Planning/Report Meeting  
June 2, 2020 @ 3:00 PM  
MINUTES

- I. Welcome by Sid Whitehair at 3:15pm.  
Sid – Three Official and Three Visitor is still in effect.
- II. Invocation by Lola Smith
- III. Review and Adopting the Agenda  
Lola – Chapter Scholarship for Georgy Begay.  
Wilford – only COVID related  
Lola – received from WNA of budget for CARE Act  
Lola – motion to leave open  
Lousie Addakai – bathroom addition  
Etta Black – medical assistance  
Motion: Lola Smith                      Second: Valerie Fowler                      Vote: 02 / 00 / 01
- IV. Reading and Approval of Meeting Minutes.  
Motion: Lola Smith                      Second: Valerie Fowler                      Vote: 02 / 00 / 01  
Mary – family need assistance but going to find out if person is from Coppermine and type of assistance.  
Mary – will get information and text to Valerie
- V. Old Business:
  - a. Financial – Secretary/Treasurer. Haven't receive any report from chapter administration. Will provide report during chapter meeting.
- VI. New business/Resolutions:
  - a. Resolution: Emergency Budget Revision – disregard the resolution per DOJ memo that can't use funds for PEP Workers. request for revision to transfer funds into PEP for the 3 workers.  
Budget is \$5000 for supplies, \$5000 for PPE, \$5000 water/waste, \$10000 food.  
Lola – what is the amount expended and what is the balance of the emergency  
Valerie – When I get expense report from staff then will report that.  
Mae – how long can chapter keep funds  
Lola – need to expend the funds  
Sid – when funds expended then chapter can request for more funds
  - b. Resolution: Approving the Coppermine Chapter Navajo Nation Cares Fund Expenditure Plan; Affirming the Funds will be Utilized Accordingly; Requesting the Navajo Nation Council and the Navajo Nation President to Approve and Grant the Navajo Nation Cares Fund for Coppermine Chapter in the Amount of \$.....; and Providing an Audit to Account for the Funds as Expended by Coppermine Chapter.  
Lola – explained the resolution  
Paul – the CARES Act has expired so had to travel to Window Rock to provide input on the CARES Act not through teleconference call. Executive Branch and Legislative Branch are not working together to expend the CARES Act Funds. Council Delegates have done legislation to expend funds. President Nez have done legislation to expend funds. so there are 2 legislations but addresses the same thing. 0115-20 was approved by NNC. NABI have started and bring in 2 different departments like hospital, deltec, water resource, agriculture, etc. what we want to hear and see their budget form to know what they want to budget and how to spend. Same with public safety. We are getting prepared with this worksession for utilizing CARES Act funds. Resource Development have received President legislation today. Legislation 115-20 has been passed. President legislation hasn't been passed yet. Im co-sponsor for president legislation and I agree with the water funds which benefits many. even I co-sign but frustrated with not agreeing on spending.  
Lola – projects that deal with CARES act. Have to be project ready and covid related? Waterline for south Coppermine which all need waterline and need water to wash hands which is related to covid. Hospital said they want to do east side of N20 first and wait couple years for west side of N20. Plus the waterline ends near big cut and need waterline for families that live near small cut. There is need for homes too which is covid related. Project have to be project ready.

Paul – CARES Act Fund – the project has to be completed by December 31, 2020 so limits project ready. Main priority for Navajo nation is Water. we have lobbyist working in Washington DC to talk to the legislators to extend the deadline date.

Lola – use the funds to dig well for south Coppermine. OEH are looking a well at first windmill which can use funds to dig up a well. Also with housing, get carpenters and materials for them to build the framing.

Paul – we know there are multi-occupancy in homes. Which one family member get covid then can spread to whole family. Housing is an issue that has been discussed and it's a priority.

Sid – probably need purchase mobile home to spend that funds from CARES Act.

Wilford – the project that lola is talking about is Project Ready. Its for 40 homes in the Bennett Freeze Area.

Navajo THAW have got paperwork ready for Coppermine and will report to the council. Mark Maryboy waterline project is ready too.

Paul – prez wants to take sihasin funds out of the account and put the CARES Act fund into project ready and utilize that fund first and not sihasin funds.

Wilford – don't let the tribe handle the funds. we are still waiting for chapter backhoe. The held up is at NN Finance, OMB, etc.

Natalie – there are 20 homes in Bennett Freeze to get those addition going and they are project ready.

Lousie A – Need to get the bathroom addition completed.

Esther Addakai – need home for jean addakai

- c. Louise Addakai - bathroom addition hasn't been completed for my father Kee Addakai.

Response – Kee Addakia is on list to get assistance for 20 names. Waiting for the electrician to wire that bathroom addition.

- d. Etta Black - medical assistance for her daughter's appointment.

Response – Covid Related and its an Executive order. We are not denying you assistance. When president removes the executive order and chapter returns back to operation then can request for medical assistance. Can't even act on chapter scholarship.

Note: Sid to Paul – chapter house and administration is closed. Can you explain the meetings so we are on the same page with officials, staff, and community

Paul – in president executive order which goes back to 3 quorum which is the 3 officials.

#### VII. Reports

- a. Council Delegate Paul Begay – provide report earlier on CARES Act

- b. Community Service Coordinator – water station. Daughter will give chapter 100 to provide to homes without home. Litigation plan which need to be work on it so chapter can return back to operation.

Sid – need to eliminate shower too due to Covid and mask requirement at chapter and administration.

Wilford – Rodgerick Begay's memo on accepting donation which was emailed out.

- c. Chapter Officials

Valerie – update on emergency funds expenditures from the \$25000. Electric/Water \$1739.76; Waste \$4265.10; Food/Supplies \$11593.99 for overall expenditures \$17,598.85. Emergency Fund Balance is \$7401.15.

Lola – got call from Lechee that they want to expand waterline from Coppermine to Lechee.

Wilford – that project is in the Western Pipeline Project. Doesn't state waterline from Coppermine to lechee.

Lola – they are dig well east of windmill and pump to tanks of gap which I don't know if its going back to south Coppermine but I know waterline is going to cover water for cedar ridge. We need to get the waterline for our community first.

Lavern – can not hear and chapter doesn't provide information. I am sick and tired of chapter. There is no accountability at the chapter. At the last shipment people just took stuff that was delivered.

#### VIII. Announcements:

- a. Regular Chapter Meeting: June 12, 2020 @ 3pm

#### IX. Adjournment at 5pm. Motion Lola Smith. Second Valerie Fowler.