



COPPERMINE CHAPTER


Regular Chapter Meeting
February 12, 2019 @ 5:00 pm


MINUTES

- I. **Welcome and Meeting called to order by:** Sid Whitehair at 5:15pm.
- II. **Invocation By:** Bruce Tsinnijinnie
- III. **Recognizing Guest and Visiting Officials:**
Census Office
- IV. **Review and Adopting the Agenda:**
Motion: Regina Reid Second: Lula Tsinnijinnie Vote: 27 / 00 / 10
- V. **Reading and Approval of meeting minutes to be posted at Chapter Admin Building.**
Motion: Alice Tatlake Second: Jay Tsinnijinnie Vote: 26 / 00 / 11
- VI. **Old Business:**
a. Financial – Secretary/Treasurer – the Fund Balance as of January 31, 2019 is behind the Agenda.
Valerie read the Financial to the community by each Fund Account 01-40.

Beginning Balance:	620,016.57
Expenditures	45,331.68
Deposit	129.40
Outstanding Checks	18,990.78
Ending Balance:	574,141.46

Motion: Larry Lane Second: Bruce Tsinnijinnie Vote: 21 / 00 / 16

- VII. **New business/Resolutions:**
- a. **CHERYL WEISS – CENSUS 2020 – Belief Information.** Apply online 2020census.gov/jobs or 928-660-2924
Email: Cheryl.I.lweiss@2020census.gov
Have to have transportation because local jobs will be door to door job.
There are jobs available in Window Rock which are full time.
- b. **CO-02-024-19: AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF THE CHAPTER GENERAL FUN SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) FULL-TIME STUDENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400.00 EACH UTILIZING GENERAL ACTIVITY FUND 13-6721.**
1. **Rochelle Yazzie – Rio Salado College –** Father Spoke on Behalf at Planning Meeting
 2. **Jacob Smallcanyon – Mesa Community College –** Mother Spoke on Behalf at Planning Meeting
 3. **Shania Russell – Mesa Community College –** Mother Spoke on Behalf at Planning Meeting
- MOTION:** Jay Tsinnijinnie **SECOND:** Roger Curley **VOTE:** 34 / 00 / 07
- c. **CO-02-025-19: RESOLUTION – APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT TO PAGE LUMBER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,531.21 FOR HOUSING MATERIALS FOR TWO (2) HOMEOWNERS FOR BATHROOM ADDITION PROJECT USING ACCOUNT 23-6720.**
Sid: two homeowners needed bathroom addition and supplies from Page Lumber. Housing Committee recommended the names for bathroom addition assistance.
MOTION: Sue Yellowman **SECOND:** Roger Curley **VOTE:** 26 / 00 / 11
- Bruce: I am requesting for bathroom addition for me and my mother.
Sue Yellowman: these two names were referred by Indian Health Services which need bathroom addition and IHS is going supply the plumbing and septic tanks.
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- d. **CO-02-026-19: RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE FOR MIP FUND MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE FROM ITG NEW MEXICO LLC OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM UTILIZING FUND ACCOUNT 23-6202/6303/6603. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,895.60. ITG NEW MEXICO LLC IS THE ONLY COMPANY IN THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES THAT IS LICENSED TO SELL MIP FUND MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE SPECIFIC TO NAVAJO NATION CHAPTERS.**

Valerie – read the resolution to the community. Currently there are 105 chapters that are utilizing MIP and 5 are not. Last month I had submitted Coppermine Quarterly Financial Report to the Auditor but there are discrepancies which they wanted more financial reports and was told to work with Kayenta ASC Calvin Tsosie. Met with ASC hours before Planning Meeting regarding Coppermine Financial Report. ASC recommend strongly for Coppermine to purchase MIP. Told ASC that Coppermine has budgeted for the MIP already but awaiting AMS/CSC position to be filled.

ITG Responsibilities are install and setup the general ledger, accounts payable, bank reconciliation, budget, and payroll modules on one computer; create MIP database which database will contain the chart of accounts, closing account assignments, basic offset assignments and standard financial reports, including standard financial statements as required by the Navajo Nation; Assist with data entry into the Chapter database.

Chapter Responsibilities are the following: provide uninterrupted work environment during the implementation; ensure all appropriate personnel attend the ITG Chapter Training session, ensure all personnel are familiar with Microsoft windows user interface, order the appropriate laser checks so they are available prior to implementation date, ensure all accounting date entered into the new system is accurate, meet the following system requirements for desktop, provide minimum of two individuals with sufficient computer skills to assist with data entry into the Chapter database.

Cost Breakdown:

Consulting Service \$4,640.00 is TIG fee
Software cost is \$7055.60
Training for 2 people to attend is \$1200. This cost will decrease if more people attends training
Yearly cost for support and maintenance is \$1364.60

MOTION: Jay Tsinnijinnie

SECOND: Herman Iron

VOTE: 29 / 00 / 18

- e. **CO-02-027-19: RESOLUTION – APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT TO PAGE LUMBER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,611.02 FOR CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION OFFICE RENOVATION USING ACCOUNT 01R/12.5M-6720.**

Sid – these supplies were purchased to do the chapter administration renovation.

MOTION: Herman Iron

SECOND: Larry Lane

VOTE: 29 / 00 / 18

- f. **Allarice Meehan – Business Site Lease – Amending the Resolution CO-**

Linda – Clearances, Land Withdrawal for business site lease which needs to be in the resolution for Clearances. The amendment is just to add the Clearances into the approved resolution.

Bruce – question is how did you get the business started

Linda – she went through RBDO and fill out the package and went through the entire process. If you need assistance, then RBDO will provide assistance with business plan. It's a Bed and Breakfast business.

MOTION: Alice Talakte

SECOND: Joanne Clizzie

VOTE: 37 / 00 / 13

- g. **CO-02-028-19: RESOLUTION – SUPPORTS THE NAVAJO TRANSITIONAL ENERGY COMPANY'S (NTEC) ACQUISITION OF NAVAJO GENERATING STATION (NGS) AND THE KAYENTA MINE**

Sid – anyone here from NTEC

Paul – NTEC. 7% belongs to Navajo Nation from Navajo Mine. NGS stated its closing and previous President Russell which research NGS. NTEC was suppose to provide worksession to Navajo Council Delegates through NABI but didn't happened. Next scheduled meeting which didn't happened again. Was going to ask specific questions to NTEC. Not sure what is going to happen tomorrow and as of today there has been no Worksession with NTEC.

TABLE - MOTION: Sue Yellowman

SECOND: Jay Tsinnijinnie

VOTE: 34 / 01 / 15





VIII. **Reports:**


a. Council Delegate – (Paste Paul Begay report during Planning Meeting) Paul Begay. Provide an update report to the community. January 15 2019 was the Inauguration. Speaker Pro Temp was Seth Damon. Update Reports on Waterline Projects, Powerline Projects, etc. Meet and Greet with Tom O'Halloran and each Council Delegate provide their Chapter Projects. Paul provide to Tom for Coppermine the Former Bennett Freeze; Roads needs for bus route, etc; then attended varies meeting with the 5 chapters. January 21 attended Coppermine Housing Meeting. New Mexico delegates had met with Governor for 30 minutes. Selection of LDA for Council Delegate. I have already selected when sworn in as council delegate which is Angie Cody. If I had selected person from Coppermine then community from Kaibeto would say why didn't you select from Kaibeto so selected outside the chapter region. She worked well with previous T Slim and was short term. Its up to the council delegate to have LDA. Laptop and other Equipment is been purchased for the Council Delegates along with cell phone. NTEC stated they can purchase NGS and Mine. There is need for discussion on the purchase of the NGS and Mine. There needs to be view point from both sides. Jan 23 – NNC invited NTEC for presentation and further discussion on the background. Orientation took longer so didn't get to NTEC so gave NTEC the next day to present. There are environmentalist attend that are against the purchase along with other New Mexico NNC. As we got closer to 1pm the meeting with NABI was still on-going so had to reschedule meeting with NTEC and didn't get done till close to midnight. NABI indicated can not hold meeting after midnight and NABI meeting supersede all other meetings which its needs to be reschedule. Meet and Green with Vice President. NNC Winter Session started this past Monday. Selection of Speaker of NNC which is Seth Damon for the next 2 years and other selection was Ricky Nez, Charlene Tso, Jammie Henio, Amber Crody. Did the voting like you would vote during election. Why do you want to be on that Committee. I request to be on the Resource and Development Committee. Reason is economic development. Water treatment is needed. Seth Damon ask for Paul Begay to be apart of the Budget and Finance Committee and I agree. During selection of committee it was Budget and Finance Committee for Paul Begay and Nate Brown. Had draw straw which Nate selected longer straw so which made Paul Begay as member of the Budget and Finance Committee. Northern Agency had 2 NNC on Budget Finance Committee and etc. There are 4 committees. Base on recommendation then NNC Speaker makes the selection of the committees. Some NNC didn't like the selection process. Friday was the Emergency Management meeting. Drought for last year in \$9 million. There was presentation on \$7 million and \$1 million. No report from Tonalea, Bodaway/Gap, LeChee, Kaibeto. There was report from Coppermine for drought which was discussed on Saturday and checks were given to us. Conference call from NNC Speaker regarding At Large for 2 NNC on same committee so responded on DOJ decision that At-Large is disapproved. Feb 11 – told to help with changing law to get the right of way from half of the river. Laws are made to be changed. I ask for help from President/VP will assistance of changing the law. President request for memo on the request. Angie and I will be drafting a memo and submit to Mr Nez. Thursday Special Session on invite all NNC on support of Changing the Agreement which doesn't apply only to Western. Feb 14 in Page at NPS to have meeting on what the community wants. Angie will be attending the NDOT Meeting on Thursday and I'll be attending meeting in Window Rock. I'll let you know of what committee I have been selected for. Attend Sihasin Powerline Meeting at Twin Arrows which Chapter President and Secretary attended. Major issues is Water Rights, FBFA, etc. Paul Begay is apart of the Health Services but I can still attend the Budget Finance Committee and Resource Development.


b. Chapter Officials –

Sid: Waterline was approved 2013 and its under construction and will provide names later. At Twin Arrows attend Powerline Project and its provided update for chapters. Update from CMPD, CDBG, and NTUA. Each chapter had update on Power Point. Chapter submitted names and package. CDBG submitted their proposal for funds for the powerline project which delays review and funds due to government shutdown which documents just sits there for 35 days. If CDBG funds the powerline project then can use the Sihasin Powerline Budget for another project. Bathroom addition which applicants need to apply at IHS. Paul talked about meeting with NDOT and BIA Roads. Working on amendments to the agreement for Road N20 for assistance during winter.

Linda Long – problems with chapter community so there is need for meeting that involves CLUP, Housing, Chapter Officials so that we all know what is going on with issues.

Sid – we get invite like with NTEC which they invite certain people then its open to the community. There is the planning meeting which we can all discuss this.





kelly – problems with cattle guard for monkey ridge residents which they don't have cattle guards and cattle roam onto the paved road.

Sid - BIA Roads oversee the Road N20 and don't want to oversee because its not built to their standard. This is just an emergency road. ADOT was going to rip out the road but Navajo Nation stated to leave the road and will maintain it. ADOT said if this is an issue then they will take the road. I talked to Angie and Paul to address the concerns for the Road N20. One project per One resolution. Will get support letter from nearby chapters. Like Banning Semi-Truck cant do that because federal funds are used to build the N20 and ADOT states it built for semi-truck.

Edith – is all data in the package for the powerline project

Sid – yes all data was submitted by CDBG to Federal funds

Sid – NGS provides 40% of Navajo Nation budget so there will cuts when we lose the funds

Lola: Paul has left due to travel to window rock. Grazing official came but left because he wasn't on the agenda.

Yesterday met with 6 chapters regarding National Park Services along with Linda Long and Floyd Stevens. There is still work needs to be done regarding NPS with buffer zone. Need history for the glen canyon dam on the history roads and where ceremonial was performed. Cultural and spiritual for the history information. We need the history.

Tomorrow is the Bodaway Gap Clinic meeting at Coppermine. I had teleconference with Area Office IHS and engineers from varies locations. Kickoff took place and maybe within in month people will be out to start working on Phase I and Phase II for Clearances, Infrastructure, etc. Its coming. Land withdrawal is coming. I spoke to the Grazing that he is needed for the land withdrawal for the clinic at tomorrow meeting.

Only problem is Tuba City Hospital is proposing to take half of the funds for Kaibeto. I disagreed because its located within the Former Bennett Freeze Area. Another letter from Tuba City Hospital of which 82 houses that was budgeted to take half of the homes for Tuba City Hospital Housing. I haven't hear back on the housing issue. Navajo Nation President has to sign on the agreement to lease the land to the hospital. So younger generation have them go to the school because there will be 200 jobs.

Esther – parking space is that in the plan

Lola – it should be in the plan

Esther – parking is limited in tuba City and

Valerie: provided update on Backhoe Bid Opening on Feb 19 and after bid opening will know fund amount is needed for budget transfer

- c. Housing Committee – Sue Yellowman – meeting is Monday Feb 18 at 8am. Going to edit the policy and procedures. I have been making calls to IHS and USDA to get more information on health. USDA for housing grants and loans were out of commission due to government shutdown. IHS sent me list for people that they use for plumbing, electrician, septic tank, carpenter, etc. If you need assistance, then you can pay them.
- d. CLUPC – no update which everyone has provided the report.

IX. **Announcements:**

- a. **Bodaway Clinic Meeting** – Wednesday, February 13, 2019 @ Coppermine Chapter @ **10am**
- b. **Veterans Meeting** - Wednesday, February 19, 2019 @ **6pm (Changed date to FEB 19)**
- c. **PRESIDENTS DAY – Monday, February 18, 2019 – OFFICE CLOSED**
- d. **Dine Youth Outreach Services** – Wednesday, February 20, 2019 @ Coppermine Chapter @ **2pm-6pm PENDING**

X. **Adjournment at 7:40pm**

Motion: Edith Cling Second: Lou Spencer



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