

COPPERMINE CHAPTER

Regular Chapter Meeting

August 15, 2017

MINUTES

- I. Welcome & Call to order by Sid Whitehair at 615pm.
- II. Invocation by Edith Cling.
- III. Recognizing Guests & Visiting Officials:
- IV. Review & Adopting the Agenda
Motion: Edith Cling Seconded: Jay Tsinnijinnie Vote: 36 / 00 / 13
- V. Reading and approval of last meeting minutes to be posted at Administration Building.
Motion: Lena Tsingine Seconded: Edith Cling Vote: 34 / 00 / 15

VI. Old Business:

- A. Financial Report: Chapter Secretary Treasurer – Valerie Fowler

July Fund Balance is not Available. Still waiting for the Breakdown for the 194 IRS Payment which is \$1612.81.

The Chapter Staff will let me know how much funds for CLUP, Temporary Workers, Youth Workers from the 194 IRS Payment. I have submitted the Financial Quarterly Report to the Auditor General for the month of April, May, and June.

The staff should have update the WIND System with June Fund Balance. As soon as I've completed July Fund Balance then will have the Staff update the WIND System.

The following is my Financial Report:

Beginning Balance for July1, 2017	\$ 732,247.49
Expenses	\$ 40,888.16
Revenue / Deposit	\$ 364.90
Ending Balance as of July 31, 2017	\$ 691,724.23
Operating Supplies Expenses	\$ 935.83
CLUP Stipend Expenses	\$ 1154.40
Chapter Official Stipend Expenses	\$ 3300.00
Travel Expenses	\$ 11,050.69
Temporary Staff – 2 Office Assistant	\$ 3,216.38
Youth Employment	\$ 5,319.38
IRS 941 Expenses	\$ 1612.81
2 Deposit and Interest Payment	\$ 364.90
Bathroom Addition Supplies	\$ 12964.00
NTUA	\$ 1120.68
Burial Assistance	\$100.00
Workers Comp	\$108.98
Bank Statement Fee	\$5.00

VII. New Business / Resolutions:

- A. **RESOLUTION: CO# 08-040-17: SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING MR. JONATHAN DAVIS, GEOGRAPHY PHD CANDIDATE FOR ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY FOR APPROVAL TO CONDUCT GEODESIGN AND PLANNING WORKSHOP AS A DISSERTATION PROJECT AT THE COPPERMINE CHAPTER.** ASU Design Contract (Duane Tsingine) ASU from Phoenix AZ will be assisting the Community Land Use Plan for Coppermine. Planning for locations for Business Sites, Cluster Housings from NHA or CHID or etc, community cemetery which land departments oversee the land and they want to know location of cemetery, we have over 43 family plots cemetery, NTUA are asking about powerline, chapter projects for waterlines, etc. Coppermine have to pay funds for powerline and waterline. That is why we need community cemetery to save our land and resources. You the communities are going to pay cemetery land and taxes. ASU Geo Design will be assisting Coppermine Chapter.
- B. **RESOLUTION: CO# 08-042-17: AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF THE CHAPTER GENERAL ACTIVITY FUND SCHOLARSHIP FOR FOLLOWING THIRTEEN FULL TIME STUDENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400.00 EACH UTILIZING GENERAL ACTIVITY FUND 01-6721.** Chapter Scholarship Assistance (Duane Tsingine)
 1. Crystal R Fowler – Utah State University - Spoke for herself during Planning Meeting and Chapter Meeting.
 2. Shania Russell – Mesa Community College - Spoke for herself during Planning Meeting.

3. Breanna Tsingine – University of Arizona - Spoke for herself during Planning Meeting.
4. Jayson Manymules – Coconino Community College - Spoke for himself during Planning Meeting and Chapter Mtg.
5. Adriano Tsingine – San Juan College – Spoke for himself during Chapter Meeting.
6. Shanice Smallcanyon – Scottsdale Community College – Non Representative
7. Rio Colorado Brown – Southern Utah University – Wally Brown spoke on behalf of his Grandchild.
8. Mitchell Wyatt Brown – Dixie State University – Wally Brown spoke on behalf of his Grandchild.
9. Orin Yellowman – Maricopa Community College – Sister spoke on behalf of his Brother.
10. Ashley Dempsey – Northern Arizona University – Wrote letter read by Lola Smith.
11. Ambrielle Brown – Northern Arizona University – Non Representative
12. Tate Tsingine – Northern Arizona University – Spoke for herself during Chapter Meeting.
13. Adriano Smallcanyon – Fort Lewis College - Spoke for himself during Chapter Meeting.

Shawn Secody – briefly report on my education for 2016-2017 I was awarded Coppermine Scholarship and I have been so busy for not reporting on my education experience. My first year back from been in Mission in Alaska. Major is Political Science. His education is doing very well. I have applied for Internship for AZ Congress and spend time in Washington. I look forward to helping my community. An Investment in Education is a well investment.

- C. **RESOLUTION: CO# 08-041-17: SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE ALL REPRESENTATIVES, STAFF, AND CONTRACTORS OF THE NAVAJO NATION TAKE PROACTIVE STEPS BY FIRST SUPPORTING THE VICTIM IMPLEMENTING OF THE FRIENDS OF NAVAJO, APACHE, HOPI, ZUNI AND UTE COALITION AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT AND FAMILY VOILENCE (NAHZUCASAFV) RECOMMENDATIONS TO CHANGE AND ENFORCE THE LAWS TO PROTECT AND SUPPORT THE VICTIMS OF CRIME TO PROVIDE TRAUMA INFORMED CARE AND SERVICES TO ELIMINATE RE-TRAUMATIZATION OF THE VICTIMS; AND TO PENALIZE THE OFFENDERS AND PERPETRATORS BY HOLDING THEN ACCOUNTABLE.** (Duane Tsingine) Supporting legislation with Human Health. Violence toward Family and Children.
- D. **RESOLUTION: CO# 08-045-17: SEMI-TRUCK RESTRICTIONS ON ROAD N20** (Duane Tsingine) Community have said that Semi-Trucks are not obeying the traffic signs and this Road N20 isn't design to handle the weight of the semi-trucks.
- E. **RESOLUTION: CO# 08-044-17: REQUESTING THE NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, COCONINO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH OF ROADS TO REPAIR 6211 WITH COPPERMINE CHAPTER SUPPLYING 40,000 GALLONS OF WATER.** Repair Road 6210 (Duane Tsingine) NDOT have said they have funds to do the Repair of Road 6210 but NDOT needs 40,000 of water from Coppermine Chapter. They are just going to grade it and level it out. They are not going to pave it for you. Instead of using 40,000 of water from Water then why can't they use Sewer Water to fix the road. Coppermine is sitting on two Aquifer.
- F. **RESOLUTION: CO# 08-043-17: APPROVING THE BUDGET TRANSFER FROM FUND ACCOUNT 05 (NAVAJO NATION SALES TAX) 6390 OPERATIONAL OTHER SUPPLIES EXPENSES COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT TO BE TRANSFERRED INTO 6202 TRAVEL EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,500.00.** (Duane Tsingine) Transfer funds from Beautification into Travel Expenses in the amount of \$8500. The budget balance in Fund Account 05 (Navajo Nation Sales Tax) under 6390 – Operational Other Supplies Expenses – Community Beautification Project of \$14,000. Cover negative balances in Travel Expenses and to Replenish Travel Expenses.

Another issue in Roofing Materials for FBFA so requesting for Meeting this Month. Report on Escrow Fund to FBFA. Have submitted Budget for Home Renovation for 20 Homes and another 5 homes for Building. I have given the information during the FBFA. One account that we have not been using is the Weatherization Funds so thinking of 5 homes toward John C Begay there is home in need of repairs. Need to approve and modify the Housing Policy and need Housing Committee from Coppermine.

Wally Brown – what was the settlement for FBFA?

Duane – in 2004, Council Delegate which I sponsored a legislation to lift the FBFA which was Inter-Governmental Agreement that was approved by Navajo Nation and Hopi. DOI signed the Compact plus US President without funds. Lola – Need clarification on the road? Road 6210 is a bus route. Road 6211 is where the Tourist get stuck in the mud. Duane – Road 6210 is the 40,000 gallon of water. Have not brought up the issue of 6211. The Chapter Spur Road which . Navajo Trust Fund there is over \$2 billion and only way to use the funds is where 75 Chapters say Yes or 75% of Navajo People will use the Funds. If get approval then NDOT can use the funds for Road Pavement. So I support either way have funds for NDOT to pave road for 110 chapters or don't support because there should be funds for Headstart, FBFA, etc.

Edith Cling – Combine Resolution A, B, C, D, E, F.

Edith and Jay said to approved Chapter Scholarship for the two students who have no Representatives.

MOTION: EDITH CLING
VOTE: INFAVOR: 65

SECONDED: JAY TSINNJINNIE
OPPOSED: 00 **ABSTAINED: 17**

- G. **RESOLUTION 7: CO# 08-046-17: COPPERMINE CHAPTER HOUSING POLICY** (Floyd Stevens) Since NHA is using Federal Funds and Navajo Hopi Land Commission (NHLC) is also using Federal Funds then can use the same Housing Policy. Housing Policy covers Federal Funds and Regulations. Name change to Coppermine Chapter where it states NHLC. This will cover the Housing Policy for NHA because dealing with Federal Funds and later will Amend the Policy for Changes. There is a Time Limit so need to get the Housing Policy approved by Coppermine Chapter community.

MOTION: EDITH CLING
VOTE: INFAVOR: 60

SECONDED: JAYSON MANUMULES
OPPOSED: 00 **ABSTAINED: 22**

- H. Awareness for Solar MEIOS (Hailee Brown) Introduce herself and attend Dartmouth College. Awareness for the community about Solar Energy. We support Solar Energy. MEIOS (Mother Earth Is Our Strength). Attached is the pamphlet. Reach out to Hailee and Contact Information is on the pamphlet.
- I. Requesting for Waterline for South Coppermine (Harry Begay)
Sid – the chapter is working Waterline Projects.
Harry – we have helped with supporting Waterline Projects for Coppermine Chapter but now the South the Former Bennett Freeze Area (FBFA) need Waterline projects. Chapter needs to starting and finish projects for the FBFA. For that reason some FBFA people don't attend Chapter meeting.
Sid – Council Delegates are making plan for Chapters that if a Chapter doesn't have 1000 voters then will forward the community members to another chapter.
- J. Community Cemetery and CLUP Update (Linda Long) CLUP is working on revising the CLUP Manual and its very stressful and a lot of work. Need to find out about Coppermine Chapter community so please fill out the Assessment form so we will have information on # of Families living in home, grade level, etc. Cemetery issue. The last part of April is when started working on it. The procedures is Letter of Application (state the land withdrawal for the family plot cemetery) and state within the cemetery will fence it off and will maintain the cemetery. Land Department will give 2 years for the community to handle this cemetery then afterwards the fee will be \$500. You cannot add to the Family Plot Cemetery unless its certified. You need to certify within the two years. Registered Voters. Please let's keep our Chapter and respect our scared places. We need to hold our land Coppermine and I'm sure there are over 1000 members. I have the Assessment and can registered you so do it tonight.

Cecila – our children live far away and its hard for them to register to vote. Are you including them.

Sid – if they are over 18 then its up to them to register to vote and there is absentee voting.

- K. Solar Farm w/ Boundary Issue (Sid Whitehair) Attend LeChee Planning Meeting about their projects and updates and the Chapter had mention a Solar Farm but was opposed by individual whom had grazing in the area. I have spoke with LeChee if communicated with Coppermine on this plan since its close to Coppermine boundary.

Linda – CLUP have planned a NHA Housing Development near White Mesa and was approved and went through courts then approved for Coppermine Chapter.

Alice T – wondering why there are two different fences there when I was horseback riding

Sid – have the Chapter Officials and Departments handle this and just need the support from Coppermine Community.

Further information will be coming and soon from Land Department.

VIII. Reports:

- A. District Grazing Committee: Calvin Begay – Community Cemetery was discussed by Linda and to input the Cemetery into the CLUP book. There are Family Burial. Compliance Officer will be working on this issue. We need suggestion on the Community Cemetery and some people maybe against due to Grazing Permit Holder. Site 1 – near White Mesa since there is already a burial of Veteran. Who has Grazing Permit? 23 in the chapter meeting. How many of Grazing Permit Holder is willing to release land for Community Cemetery. No one raised their hands. This Grazing Permit is just privilege and from the people hold on to more land. There are 58 family plots. There are some plots that are maintained. There are some plots of the same family have family plots difference of 500 feet. One sister is buried then 500 feet another burial of another sister. There are some plots lined up on the land which had good grazing area and could've been good tourism area. Conservation Plan. Management Plan. Horse Roundup. ATV issue. Illegal Trash Dumping. Livestock maintain. Need work with Homesite Lease with Grazing issues. When FBFA lifted then FBFA filled paper for Homesite on good

Grazing areas so there is where we should have planned Cluster Homes. Guy Wright can buy Horses. Tally is almost completed. Overgrazing Horses issue. Duane mentioned that during Budget Meeting can budget for what the Chapter Community is in need then community can request funds for Horse Roundup. In past, I was going use the Student Workers to set up Corral Panels for a Horse Roundup but the word spread and community had haul water and use of ATV to chase the horses away. So without letting anyone know I setup the Horse Corral at first windmill and there was no water and had horses come in through the night and day and collected many horses. There is definite resolution that can do Horse Roundup anytime. Only one person had complaint and took pictures. In the resolution it does states to have water and hay for the horses. I don't attend Chapter Meetings because I have other duties.

Sallie Whitehat – there is many horses to toward where I live and need to think of the grass and need to chase them out of the mountain plus some Stud are mean.

Allen Yazzie – I support you for the horse roundup.

Sid – Former Bennett Freeze Area Update – had meeting at Twin Arrows which NN President go mad at the Impacted Chapters. He stated if chapters are lazy. Assessments needed to be completed. There are 19 homes that will get assistance from there 3 is from Coppermine. Next phase will have 36 homes to housing assistance. Community would fill out the forms then submitted to Presidents Office then its forward to NHA. After its submitted to NHA then its out of the Chapter's hand. Another meeting this Friday on the \$1 million for Economic Development for the FBFA which is at the Office next door the KFC. Same goes for Veterans.

Amelia – we are ask for donation at the last FBFA meeting at Harry's Church. I like to have the FBFA meeting here at the Coppermine Chapter House and they don't ask for Donation or funds. And Duane Tsingine wants the FBFA meetings at Coppermine Chapter.

- B. Chapter Officials:
- C. CLUP President – Linda Long
- D. Health Representative – Millie Brockie
- E. Thomas Tso – Bodaway/Gap Clinic Update
- F. NGS – Paul Begay

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Next Chapter Planning Meeting: Sept 1, 2017 (Friday) @ 3pm
2. Next Regular Chapter Meeting: Sept 5, 2017 (Tuesday) @ 6pm
3. Coppermine Fun Walk/Run Event: Sept 5, 2017 (Tuesday) @ 5pm
4. CLUP Meeting: the 1st Tuesday at 1pm
5. Next FBFA Meeting: Aug 24, 2017 (Thursday) at 6pm at Coppermine Chapter.

X. Adjournment at 930pm. Motion Edith Cling. Seconded Evelyn Tsinnijinnie.

Valerie Fowler

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Coppermine Secretary/Treasurer

Have a Safe Journey Home