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LeChee Chapter Meeting Agenda

Monday, January 13, 2025, 5:00 pm Page/Pacific time

Agenda is subject to change

1. Meeting called to order by: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche
2. Invocation: Volunteer/Moment of silence
3. Roll call: Minnette Roundstone
4. Review and Adoption of the January 13, 2025, LeChee Chapter Meeting Agenda.
Sponsor: Minnette Roundstone
Motion: Second:
Favor Oppose Abstain
5. Review and Adoption of the December 16, 2024, Chapter mtg minutes. (Posted bulletin outside).
Sponsor: Minnette Roundstone
Motion: Second:
Favor Oppose Abstain
6. Financial Report: Month of December 2024.
Sponsor: Minnette Roundstone
Motion: Second:
Favor Oppose Abstain
7. Reports and Presentation: (5 minutes time limit per subject):
 - a. Navajo Nation Honorable Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay
 - b. LDA for Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay Tom Franklin Jr
 - c. Tuba City Regional Hospital Board of Directors Lyonel Tso
 - d. LeChee Veteran Committee Lyonel Tso, Iva Chee, Michell Alex
8. OLD BUSINESS: NONE
9. NEW BUSINESSES
 - a. RESOLUTION: LC01132025A: RESOLUTION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE 2025 SPRING SCHOLARSHIP FUND.
Sponsor: Renee Tsosie
Motion: Second:
Favor: Oppose: Abstain:



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- b. RESOLUTION: LC01132025B: APPROVING TO THE DELETION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER PRESIDENT, JOANN YAZZIE PIOCHE AND YVONNE BIGMAN, CHAPTER VICE-PRESIDENT TO THE LECHEE CHAPTER CHECKING ACCOUNT AT THE NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA FROM THE LECHEE CHAPTER BANK ACCOUNT SYSTEM.

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie

Motion:

Second:

Favor:

Oppose:

Abstain:

- c. RESOLUTION: LC01132025C: RESOLUTION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE INCOMING OFFICIALS, IRENE WHITEKILLER, CHAPTER PRESIDENT AND JOHNSON PIOCHE, CHAPTER VICE-PRESIDENT AS SIGNATURES TO BE ADDED TO THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK ACCOUNT. (Change verbiage).

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie

Motion:

Second:

Favor:

Oppose:

Abstain:

- d. RESOLUTION: LC01132025D: RESOLUTION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE REVENUE BUDGET.

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie

Motion:

Second:

Favor:

Oppose:

Abstain:

- e. RESOLUTION: LC01132025E: SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE PL 100-297 REAUTHORIZATION OF RICHFIELD RESIDENTIAL HALL.

Sponsor: Denis Tsosie

Motion:

Second:

Favor:

Oppose:

Abstain:

10. LeChee Chapter Staff and Officials report: (4 mins allotment time per request)

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| a. President | Irene Whitekiller |
| b. Vice-President | Johnson Pioche |
| c. Secretary/Treasurer | pro-temp |
| d. Grazing Official | Tyler Manson |
| e. Chapter Manager | Renee Tsosie |

11. Announcements: (are subject to change)

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| a. January LeChee Planning meeting | January 6, 2025, @ 10:00 am |
| b. LeChee Chapter meeting | January 13, 2025 @ 5:00 pm |
| c. Western Agency Inauguration | Jan 9, 2025 @ 10am, Tuba City |



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| d. District Grazing Committee Mtg | Jan 2, 2025 |
| e. LeChee planning & Zoning mtg | Jan 9 or 16, 2025 |
| f. Western Agency Grazing mtg | Jan 9, 2025 @ 9:00 am TC/BIA |
| g. Martin Luther King holiday, <u>CHPTR closed</u> | January 20, 2025 |
| h. St. Mary's Food distribution | Jan. 27,2025 @12:00 to 3pm |

12. Adjournment:

Sponsor: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche

Motion:

Second:

Favor:

Oppose:

Abstain:



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1. Meeting called to order by @ 5:25 pm Irene Whitekiller
2. Invocation: Prayer by Dennis Tsosie
3. RESOLUTION: LCO1132025D: APPOINTING A PRO TEMPORE CHAPTER PRESIDENT PURSUANT TO NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION CD-55-24 TO SERVE UNTIL THE VACANCY IS FILLED
Sponsor: Renee Tsosie
Motion: Lyonel Tso Second: Denny Tsosie
Favor 29 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1
4. Roll call: Pro-temp
5. Review and Adoption of the January 13, 2025, LeChee Chapter Meeting Agenda.
Sponsor: Pro-temp
Motion: Joann Yazzie-Pioche Second: Yvonne Bigman
Favor 34 Oppose 0 Abstain 1
6. Review and Adoption of the December 16, 2024, Chapter mtg minutes. (Posted bulletin outside).
Sponsor: Pro-temp
Motion: Joann Yazzie-Pioche Second: Yvonne Bigman
Favor 35 Oppose 0 Abstain 1
Alan Martin requested minutes be posted to LeChee chapter Facebook site, and Chapter acknowledge that it could be done.
7. Financial Report: Month of December 2024.
Sponsor: Pro-temp
Motion: Yvonne Bigman Second: Joann Yazzie Pioche
Favor 35 Oppose 0 Abstain 1
Lynol Tso asked the Chapter where the additional money with the Veterans account came from. Cassie indicated the funds came from the Navajo Nation and the information was passed to the secretary of the Veterans group.
8. Reports and Presentation: (5 minutes time limit per subject):
 - a. Navajo Nation Honorable Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay (not present)
 - b. LDA for Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay Tom Franklin Jr (spoke)
Welcomed incoming officials, Irene Whitekiller & Herman Pioche along with the pro-temp. Helena is in Window Rock at meeting with HESIS. Application for tubs, walk in showers, sinks, and toilets are being accepted by this coming Friday, Cassie Scott asked for a longer duration to accept applications to Mr. Franklin. Navajo tribal council has decided that there are guidelines for cemetery, land withdrawal is the



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major one and community needs to vote on a resolution. Cemetery needs to be fenced in. Kaibeto, LeChee, Coppermine do not have public cemetery. Update on CHID homes, by Arbin Mitchell DCD Executive Director. State of Nation address by Buu Nygren in Tuba city on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at Grey Hills Academy. January 27, 2025 is the Winter session for the Navajo Nation council. JoAnn Y-Pioche asked who will be doing the work for bathroom addition, labor is lacking? Desiree Yellowman mentioned to hire competent labor people when working on bathroom addition. Water will build up on land for LeChee designated cemetery area due to where its located. City of Page cemetery cost is always increasing. What will be the cost of LeChee cemetery? Mr. Franklin indicated that will be up to LeChee chapter and community. Bathroom renovation supplies go bad when the chapter runs out of funds to finish the work, Mr. Franklin indicated one should pick up the cost to finish the work since the materials are waiting to be worked on. Bathroom renovation is through NECA.

c. Tuba City Regional Hospital Board of Directors Lyonel Tso (spoke)

Lyonel is finishing up 3rd year in his term. Echo cliffs health facility in Bodaway/Gap area is slated to be completed by February 2026. The construction on the housing is south of the health facility and the land area has been determined and cleared. I.H.S. has preauthorized the construction of the housing for the medical staff. Vaccine are currently being done so get vaccinated and stay safe and sound. Percentage of people getting vaccine are low so be current with your shots. Long care facility in Tuba City by the Tuba City Hospital will be build in the future. Call for artist for the Echo Cliff Health facility, hang art, 3D, sculptures...contact Lyonel. Question about use the bathroom use facility in the LeChee clinic, only if you have been called into the clinic for an appointment or being seen you can then use the bathroom facility and if you are waiting in the clinic or going through you cannot use the bathroom facility. No word about LeChee clinic will be in operation when Echo Cliff Health is in operation, doctors are always in shortage. The pharmacy will stay in operation though.

d. LeChee Veteran Committee Lyonel Tso, Iva Chee, Michell Alex (Lynel spoke)

Question about Veterans events in 2025 will be more open to participate in events in 2025? Hopefully yes. There are currently 65 total veterans in the LeChee area including spouses of veterans. If you know anyone let Lyonel and Chapter know.

9. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

10. NEW BUSINESSES

a. RESOLUTION: LC01132025A: RESOLUTION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE 2025 SPRING SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie

Motion: Joann Y-Pioche

Second: Yvonne Bigman

Favor: 48

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1

There are 3 students with the Master program, 15 fulltime students, and 3 parttime students applying for financial aid from the chapter with the financial amount at \$900.00 each for Master program students, \$700.00 each for full time students and \$450.00 each for parttime, total is \$14,500.00 in scholarship fund to assist students. Master program students are Adam Carl, Stephan Klain, and Brooke Lister, a total of three students. Full time students are Chelsea Littleman, Bowen/Corbin/Rex Martin Peyton Yazzie, Teena Manson, Kennabah Yazzie, Emma Yazzie, Chassidy Scott, Connor Lane, Areon Redshirt, Amber Kaibetoney, Laine Sellers, Rhiannon



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Lister, and Kamri Gilliland, total of 15 students. Part time students are Dana Worker, Kalvintina Hudson, and Charmayne Yazzie, totaling 3 students. Parents, grandparents, relatives, and students showed up to speak about their students, their children and themselves about their studies, their clan, their status in college, etc.

- b. RESOLUTION: LC01132025B: APPROVING TO THE DELETION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER PRESIDENT, JOANN YAZZIE PIOCHE AND YVONNE BIGMAN, CHAPTER VICE-PRESIDENT TO THE LECHEE CHAPTER CHECKING ACCOUNT AT THE NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA FROM THE LECHEE CHAPTER BANK ACCOUNT SYSTEM.

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie

Motion: Damon Nockideneh

Second: Tomacita Kaibetoney

Favor: 40

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1

- c. RESOLUTION: LC01132025C: RESOLUTION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE INCOMING OFFICIALS, IRENE WHITEKILLER, CHAPTER PRESIDENT AND JOHNSON PIOCHE, CHAPTER VICE-PRESIDENT AS SIGNATURES TO BE ADDED TO THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK ACCOUNT.

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie

Motion: Damon Nockideneh

Second: Tomacita Kaibetoney

Favor: 40

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1

- d. RESOLUTION: LC01132025E: SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE PL 100-297 REAUTHORIZATION OF RICHFIELD RESIDENTIAL HALL.

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie

Motion: JoAnn Y-Pioche

Second: Yvonne Bigman

Favor: 40

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1

11. LeChee Chapter Staff and Officials report: (4 mins allotment time per request)

- a. President

Irene Nez Whitekiller

Livestock being stolen and sold from the Bodaway-gap area. People watch your livestock and the people that are your neighbors and your surrounding area.

- b. Vice-President

Herman Pioche

Everyone from community members, Chapter officials/employees, and children, lets all work together and look after one another.

- c. Secretary/Treasurer

pro-temp

- d. Grazing Official

Tyler Manson

Title three has had many changes throughout the years. Over 100 cattle have been stolen in the Gap/bodaway area. Research and investigation are being conducted of people involved from who are stealing cattle, who allowed them to be sold and who bought them. Brands were shaved off and re-branded in the mid-section. Pictures and people talking are all over social media and in the community. 10 acres has been withdrawn for the LeChee cemetery. Home site leases in LeChee are limited with 10 vacant sites available. Stanford Fowler and Tyler Manson are the only returning grazing officials. Forty eight percent of units are being utilized and 52 % are dormant un-probated.

- e. Chapter Manager

Renee Tsosie



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Wood for life program gives wood to community members. Sally Foundation from Dixie Ellis Lower antelope canyon tours offer some help to the elderly with small renovations, etc. Parker project is still in the Head start building and may continue to be there, currently are there for the next 3 months. Hopefully, the Navajo police will move into a substation in LeChee. Speeding signs (2) were shot up, the statistics of those signs were important data to help the community with the roads and community. Tax commission is still in process of working on getting tax to the LeChee chapter community.

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| a. Martin Luther King holiday, <u>CHPTR closed</u> | January 20, 2025 |
| b. St. Mary's Food distribution | Jan. 27, 2025 @12:00 to 3pm |

13. Adjournment: @ 7:55 pm

Sponsor: Irene Whitekiller

Motion: Joann Y-Pioche

Second: Yvonne Bigman

Favor: 27

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1

Completed by Minnette Roundstone, 01/17/2025

Minnette Roundstone