



LeChee Regular Chapter Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 9, 2026, 5:00 pm Page

- 1. Meeting called to order: 5:08 PM Irene Whitekiller
- 2. Invocation: Moment of silence
- 3. Roll call: Holly Phillips

- 4. Review and Adoption of the February 9, 2026 Regular Chapter Meeting Agenda.  
Sponsor: Holly Phillips

Reports presentations under #7 need to reflect e. Page Attainment Group sponsored by Joann Yazzie-Pioche and f. The Community Wellness Program sponsored by Steve Pester also request to add the two following resolutions to new business under #9 RESOLUTION LC02092026C LECHEE CHAPTER SUPPORTS INITIATIVES OF NATIVE SOLUTIONS AZ LLC IN DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING AND MANUFACTURING AT THE FORMER NGS FACILITIES and RESOLUTION LC02092026D THE LECHEE CHAPTER OPPOSES THE CURRENT SALE OF WHAT WAS ONCE NAVAJO NATION LAND TO BUILD AN ALLEGED 10 BILLION DOLLAR DATA CENTER ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF PAGE CITY LIMITS;

Motion was made to the additional items above to be added to the agenda.

Motion: Irmadine Charlie Second: Renee Tsosie

Favor : 36 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 2

- 5. Review and Adoption of the January 12, 2026 Regular Chapter Meeting Minutes.

Sponsor: Holly Phillips

January 12, 2026 meeting minutes were read allowed during the chapter meeting.

Motion: Ryder Hudson Second: Amanda Clark

Favor : 49 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1

- 6. Review Financial Report: Month of January 2026.

Sponsor: Holly Phillips.

Motion: Joanne Catron Second: Daisy Etsitty

Favor : 48 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 2

- 7. Reports and Presentation: (5 minutes time limit per subject):

- a. Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay/LDA Tom Franklin Jr.  
Not present for reports.

- b. Tuba City Regional Hospital Board of Directors Lyonel Tso  
A written report was provided by Lyonel Tso, this written report was read allowed at this regular chapter meeting.

- c. LeChee Veteran Committee Michelle Alex  
\$600,000 in general fund, if veterans didn't get any assistance the first time they can get assistance this time around. Of the previous allocated money \$74,969.00 was the initial budget and \$62,075.00 was paid out leaving a remaining balance of \$12,894. The remaining

balance will go to the cost of veteran coats. Michelle relays that in her resignation, she did say she would stay on to help when needed or until the position was filled.

- d. Page Attainment Group Joann Yazzie-Pioche  
Joann reports that the Page reading scores are very low for specifically third graders and this information is looking to the community and LeChee chapter for recommendations to help children improve reading. Recommendations of books stations is one way, maybe a newsletter and/or even reading events, family nights with book distributions. Joann has heard of a library coming to LeChee where kids will also be able to get books to read. Joann asks for Community organizations and volunteers.  
Community members comment on their solutions and recommendations. Utilize incentives and Navajo Nation to get resources. Even started early with preschool age, reading before bed time.  
Provided written report.
- e. Community Wellness Program Steve Pester  
Weekend event 3/20-3/22nd Page All nations Church. Steve presented the chapter with a monetary gift of \$300.00.  
Secretary recommends bringing a flyer that can be posted on the bulletin board and posted on Website.

8. OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. RESOLUTION LC02092026A THE LECHEE CHAPTER RESPECTFULLY PROPOSES THAT THE WESTERN NAVAJO AGENCY COUNCIL, NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL, AND THE NAVAJO NATION OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT CONSIDER THE EXPANSION OF THE OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS WITHIN THE WESTERN NAVAJO AGENCY. THIS ENHANCEMENT WILL SIGNIFICANTLY BENEFIT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES.

Sponsor Tom Franklin

Tom Franklin explains this resolution. Community member asks why they will take your CIB? Is this ID supposed to be recognized with all agencies?

Tom Franklin answers the first question, yes you green paper CIB will be taken in exchange for the card.

Holly Phillips answers the second question, Yes the ID is supposed to be federally recognized however, some people who do not know of Native American tribes or government may turn it away out of ignorance and not malice.

Community member reports that she has run into issues where people do not recognize tribal ID's but will get a supervisor to intervene and accept it.

Motion: Elizabeth Nez

Second: Joann Yazzie-Pioche

Favor :   54  

Oppose:   0  

Abstain:   2  

- b. RESOLUTION LC02092026B RESOLUTION APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE LECHEE CHAPTER PARTNERSHIP WITH DIGDEEP. THE PARTNERSHIP WITH DIGDEEP WILL ALLOW FOR DIGDEEP TO ASSIST THE COMMUNITY WITH ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY TO THE HOMES THAT DO NOT HAVE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE.

Sponsor: Renee Tsosie



Motion: Joann Pioche Second: Elizabeth Nez  
Favor :   50   Oppose:   0   Abstain:   1  

- c. RESOLUTION LC02092026C LECHEE CHAPTER SUPPORTS INITIATIVES OF NATIVE SOLUTIONS AZ LLC IN DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING AND MANUFACTURING AT THE FORMER NGS FACILITIES.

Sponsor: Harold Wilson

Comments and discussion ensue, do you have a business plan, Mr. Wilson replies yes the Department of Economic Development has it. President asks about it being in litigation, Mr. Wilson confirms it is and that this resolution is to help them continue to discuss it and to develop it. Another community member asks what caused it (Zenni Homes) to not continue, Mr. Wilson relays he does not know why it did not work. He is not asking for money upfront. The President recommends that this can be requested for deferment until more information is provided or until litigation is completed.

Motion to Defer until litigation is complete.

Motion: Betty Thompson Second: Margie Lane  
Favor :   32   Oppose:   16   Abstain:   10  

- d. RESOLUTION LC02092026D THE LECHEE CHAPTER OPPOSES THE CURRENT SALE OF WHAT WAS ONCE NAVAJO NATION LAND TO BUILD AN ALLEGED 10 BILLION DOLLAR DATA CENTER ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF PAGE CITY LIMITS; THE LACK OF TRANSPARENCY FROM THE CITY OF PAGE ABOUT RISKS OF HARM, LOSS OF VITAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ON THE NAVAJO PEOPLE IS NOT BEING CONSIDERED IN THIS BUSINESS TRANSACTION; WE ARE REQUESTING THAT THE 25<sup>TH</sup> NAVAJO COUNCIL UTILIZE ALL NECESSARY RESOURCES NOT LIMITING TO LITIGATION, PROFESSIONAL INSIGHT AND ANY STUDIES NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE LECHEE COMMUNITY AND SURROUNDING NAVAJO COMMUNITIES THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY THIS PROPOSED DATA CENTER.

Sponsor: Irene Whitekiller

Holly Phillips explains that all three officials attended a meeting in town about the DATA center. The information provided is alarming as this is being completed as a property sale and brought to the Page community for input or vote. Also, the DATA center has been declined through the city of page to utilize their electrical and water resources. This is why it is being brought to the LeChee community as the resources would then need to come from the Navajo people. Navajo People are currently working on their own water line in hopes to get water all the way to Cameron to supply potable drinking water to all the Navajos that do not have access to it now.

Sharon W. provides further information of what to look for, she does not expect Page Council to meet with LeChee, instead the investor would meet. The data center is going to be multiple buildings two stories high as big as Walmart super centers. 500 acres are being surveyed now, however, if the buyer gets the middle portion they have the opportunity to expand on either side. Page Citizens are doing what they can to counter it and also support the Navajo people getting water before the DATA center.

Motion: Joann Catron Second: Christine Gamble

Favor : \_\_55\_\_

Oppose: \_\_0\_\_

Abstain: \_\_1\_\_

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

- a. President Irene Nez Whitekiller  
No written report.
- b. Vice-President Herman Pioche  
Written report provided.
- c. Secretary/Treasurer. Holly Phillips  
Verbal report was provided during New Business #9D.
- d. Grazing Official Tyler Manson  
Not Present.
- e. Chapter Manager Renee Tsosie  
Written report provided.

Sponsor: Holly Phillips

Motion to move reports to written reports.

Motion: Ray Dugi

Second: Yvonne Bigman

Favor : \_\_34\_\_

Oppose: \_\_0\_\_

Abstain: \_\_1\_\_

11. Announcements: *(are subject to change)*

- a. Basketball game is Tuesday in the New HS Gym 2/10/2026
- b. Resistance Band Fitness Class 2/19/2026  
(Mutton Curve 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm)
- c. St. Mary's Food Distribution (Volunteers Needed) 2/23/2026

12. Adjournment: 7:17 PM

Sponsor: [Irene Whitekiller](#)

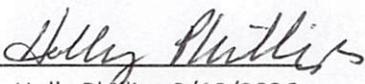
Motion: Yvonne Bigman

Second: Julia Begay

Favor : \_\_39\_\_

Oppose: \_\_0\_\_

Abstain: \_\_1\_\_

Completed by:   
Holly Phillips 2/10/2026