



LeChee Chapter Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 13, 2026, 5:00 pm

1. Invocation: Irene Whitekiller
2. Reports and Presentation: (5 minutes time limit per subject):
 - a. LeChee Veteran Committee Michelle Alex

Michelle Alex is no longer the secretary, Patricia Benally is now acting secretary. Hopefully working on completing the purchase of Veteran coats. Veterans meetings are bi-monthly.
 - b. Coconino County Ray Daw

Coconino County Federal Primary Election July 21st and last day to register to vote is June 22. When you turn 18 you are able to register to vote. Early Voting begins June 24th. The main office is in Flagstaff. Most of the month of June we will have a trailer for voter registration drive, this drive will be scheduled within Navajo Districts in Coconino County. If you are interested in helping out you can get training to work. The Navajo Nation Election is on the same day as the Federal Primary Election.
 - c. Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay/LDA Tom Franklin Jr.

Not Present.
 - d. Tuba City Regional Hospital Board of Directors Lyonel Tso

Oral Presentation given to community members, written report provided.
TCRHCC renewed its contract with NTUA for its DATA center in Shiprock, pricing increased slightly. Echo Cliffs Health Center is on schedule to complete on time in May. A tour was completed with Chapter Officials and Staff. There have been questions about the Clinic closing but this is misinformation because the board has not made a decision and right now they are looking to keep the clinic open for at least a year to see how it does. Mobile Unit will be here on May 1st, hours have increased due to the measles case in Tuba City. You can get checked to see when you last had the measles vaccine.
 - e. Liver Cancer Project Roberta Lyons/Caitlin Baird

Oral Presentation given to community members, written report provided.
The goal is to research 150 people in the community and 105 people are needed and then we will be moving on to the next community. A little education on the benefits of scanning to check your liver health is presented along with handouts.
Community Member gives feedback on his experience and how it has changed his lifestyle.
 - f. Page Unified School District Sharon Watson

Student support services works with all five schools, a social service provided for students and families. Mental Health Conference on May 1st. The District promotes suicide prevention. #988 is a good number however, we want to promote the phone number 844-534-Hope Text 44673 for specific reporting in Arizona. Ay is suicide prevention month.
 - g. Park Service
Hiring part time seasonal positions with full time positions to come in the future. The jobs will open in the coming weeks. Apply on [USJOBS.COM](https://www.usjobs.com).

3. Meeting called to order: 6:24 PM [Irene Whitekiller](#)
4. Roll call: Holly Phillips

5. Review and Adoption of the April 13, 2026 Chapter Regular Meeting Agenda.
 Sponsor: Holly Phillips
 Motion: Renee Tsosie Second: Irmadine Charley-Sloan
 Add Resolution E to New Business.
 Favor : 30 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1

6. Review and Adoption of the March 9, 2026 Chapter Regular Meeting Minutes.
 Sponsor: Holly Phillips
 Motion: Roberta Lyons Second: Joanne Pioche
 Favor : 37 Oppose: 1 Abstain: 1

7. Review Financial Report: Month of March, 2026.
 Sponsor: Holly Phillips
 Motion: Roberta Lyons Second: Sarah Black
 Favor : 36 Oppose: Abstain: 3

8. OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business

9. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. RESOLUTION: LC04132026B - THE LECHEE CHAPTER SUPPORTS AND APPROVES THE REQUEST TO MODIFY THE ORIGINAL VERBIAGE FY2026 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY BUDGET TO ALLOCATE FUNDS UNDER THE CONSULTANT FUND CODE FOR COMMUNITY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND LAND PLOT SURVEY SERVICES THROUGH A SOLE SOURCE VENDOR.
 Joanne motion to Table until May Regular Meeting due to the exact dollar amount not being mentioned in the title. Renee reads the Resolution and its entirety that includes the breakdown of \$2500.00 for Arch Surveys and \$2500.00 for Land Plot Surveys.
 Motion to table: Joanne Pioche Second to table: Patricia Benally
 Favor : 2 Oppose: 26 Abstain: 5
 Motion to table did not pass.
 Motion to approve: Roberta Lyons Second: Orlinda Tsosie
 Favor : 26 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 9
 - b. RESOLUTION: LC04132026C - THE LECHEE CHAPTER, WESTERN NAVAJO AGENCY, NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RECOMMENDING, APPROVING THE SUPPLEMENTAL EMERGENCY FUND BUDGET FOR FY2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,775.00.
 Motion: Roberta Lyons Second: Joanne Pioche
 Favor : 36 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1



- c. RESOLUTION: LC04132026D - THE LECHEE CHAPTER, OF THE NAVAJO NATION APPROVING AND ADOPTING FY2026 NAVAJO NATION SALES TAX REVENUE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,334.00.

A community member asks if the Senior Citizen has its own budget and recalls the Council Delegate had its own budget. Renee informs the community on the responsibility for chapter compound buildings and grounds.

Motion: Joanne Pioche Second: Irmadine Charley-Sloan
Favor : __37__ Oppose: __0__ Abstain: __3__

- d. RESOLUTION: LC04132026E - RESOLUTION OF THE LECHEE CHAPTER SUPPORTING THE INTRAGOVERNMENTAL SPACE USE AGREEMENT WITH UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA FOR THE USE OF THE OLD PRE-SCHOOL BUILDING

Motion: Damon Nockedineh Second: Irmadine Charley-Sloan
Favor : __29__ Oppose: __0__ Abstain: __1__

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

- a. President Irene Nez Whitekiller
- b. Vice-President Herman Pioche
- c. Secretary/Treasurer Holly Phillips
- d. Grazing Official Tyler Manson
- e. Chapter Manager Renee Tsosie

Sponsor: Holly Phillips

Motion to Submit written reports.

Motion: Irmadine Charley-Sloan Second: Joanne Pioche
Favor : __25__ Oppose: __0__ Abstain: __2__

11. Announcements: (are subject to change)

- a. LeChee Veteran Meeting 4/11/2023 1:00 PM
- b. Regular Chapter Meeting 4/13/2026 5:00 PM
- c. District Grazing Meeting (LeChee) 4/15/2026 10:00 AM
- d. St. Mary's Food Distribution (Volunteers Needed) 4/27/2026 TBD
- e. District 1 Meeting (Tonalea Chapter) 6/10/2026
- f. Western Agency Meeting (Ojato Chapter) 6/13/2026
- g. 2026 Navajo Nation Primary Election 7/21/2026

12. Adjournment:

Sponsor: [Irene Whitekiller](#)

Motion: Roberta Lyons Second: Irmadine Charley-Sloan
Favor : __28__ Oppose: __0__ Abstain: __1__

Completed by: _____
Holly Phillips 04/13/2026