



LeChee Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 3, 2026, 4:00 pm Day Light Time

1. Meeting called to order: 4:05 PM [Irene Whitekiller](#)
2. Invocation: Moment of silence
3. Roll call: Holly Phillips
4. Review and Adoption of the August 3, 2026 Chapter Planning Meeting Agenda.
Sponsor: Holly Phillips
Amendments: Agenda title needs to reflect agenda and not minutes. Resolutions titles need to be amended as reflected in sections 8 and 9
Amendments
Motion: Herman Pioche Second: Holly Phillips
Favor : 2 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1

Announcement:

“SAFETY MESSAGE; BE AWARE OF THE EXTREME HEAT, WATCH OVER KIDS. KEEP YOU HEAD COOL AND SEEK SHADE AND DRINK WATER.” Herman Pioche

If you need emergency assistance for water contact the chapter for help. Holly Phillips

The heat is intense this whole week at heat predictions of 104 and higher. Make sure they are taking care of your animals and livestock. Dress in cool clothes, cotton and long sleeves. Think safety first.

Irene Whitekiller

5. Review and Adoption of the July 6, 2026 Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes.
Sponsor: Holly Phillips
Motion: Herman Pioche Second: Holly Phillips
Favor : 2 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1
6. Review Financial Report: Month of July 2026.
Sponsor: Holly Phillips
Review by Friday.
Motion: Holly Phillips Second: Herman Pioche
Favor : 2 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1
7. Reports and Presentation: (5 minutes time limit per subject):
 - a. Council Delegate Helena Nez Begay/LDA Tom Franklin Jr.
LDA relays that he is working on completing the request from LeChee Community members on project/resolutions that our Delegate has completed or pushed for the LeChee

Community. This past week our Delegate and LDA have been in Tonaleah helping with washed out roads and disaster relief. Lets tentatively meet on 8/19/2026 at the LeChee Chapter with potluck for emergency management system.

- b. Tuba City Regional Hospital Board of Directors Lyonel Tso
- c. Page Banner Health Katelynn Hunt
- d. Our Body, Our Life, our Culture Roberta Lyons
- e. TCRHCC Community Health Assessment Krishanya Smith

Community assessment is completed every three years, the surveys provide information on what the community needs or is lacking, the information is then provided to the chapter with resources to get the community needs met.

- f. Page Unified School District Sharon Watson

8. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. RESOLUTION 07132026C; SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE LAND WITHDRAWAL OF TWO (2) ACRES THAT IS OFF OF THE NAVAJO ROUTE 20 AROUND MILEPOST 38. ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE ROAD, FOR BUSINESS SITE LEASE ON LANDS WITHIN THE LECHEE CHAPTER FOR COMMERCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, FOR LORETTA GOATSON-DODSON, OWNER/OPERATOR OF THE BUSINESS Nilchi Tse'Kooh, LLC.

Sponsor: Loretta Goatson-Dodson

Motion: Holly Phillips

Second: Herman Pioche

Favor : __2__

Oppose: __0__

Abstain: __2__

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. RESOLUTION LC08102026A; THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT FROM LECHEE CHAPTER FORMERLY DECLARING A BAN OF EXPENSIVE, ENERGY-INTENSIVE DATA CENTERS ON THE NAVAJO NATION TO PERMANENTLY SAFEGUARD OUR SACRED LANDS, WATERWAYS, LIVESTOCK RANCHERS, AND TRADITIONAL FARMERS FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS.

Sponsor: Holly Phillips

Motion: Herman Pioche

Second: Tyler Manson

Favor : __3__

Oppose: __0__

Abstain: __1__

- B. RESOLUTION LC08102026B; THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT FROM LECHEE CHAPTER OPPOSING BOTH PROPOSED NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY (NTUA) WATER AND WASTEWATER RATE ADJUSTMENT SCENARIOS (SCENARIO 1 AND SCENARIO 2) THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2029; FORMALLY ACKNOWLEDGING COMMUNITY PETITION OPPOSITION; AND DEMANDING INFRASTRUCTURE COMPLIANCE, CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY, AND THE PRIORITIZATION OF AVAILABLE FEDERAL FUNDING.

Sponsor: Holly Phillips

Motion: Herman Pioche

Second: Tyler Manson

Favor : __3__

Oppose: __0__

Abstain: __1__



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C. RESOLUTION LC08102026C; SUPPORTING AND APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ANTELOPE HOGAN CANYON TOURS, LLC., WITHIN THE LECHEE VICINITY, ARIZONA

Sponsor: Richardson Etsitty

Motion: Holly Phillips

Second: Tyler Manson

Favor : __3__

Oppose: __0__

Abstain: __1__

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

a. President

Irene Nez Whitekiller

Last Wednesday LeChee hosted a meet and greet with the presidential candidates. It was a successful turnout. Going to have a meeting this saturday on mining during the time of the parade, maybe because everyone will be in the area. We need to work on a project for elderly housing like Beehive and other similar housing for elders that don't want to pass in their homes.

b. Vice-President

Herman Pioche

I attended the summer counsel session and rode my horse over in Window Rock. Checked on the EPA for the sewer pond. It broke before and it can happen again. Also, attending the Page School Attainment meeting, 3rd graders are struggling in reading and 4th graders improved a little bit. More support is needed, the Chapter has books for kids to read. If you have a business and allotted hours to use towards volunteering to help kids read. Waterline construction; NTUA/ Tribe doesn't really take ownership and is not really involved or present, they might attend some meetings but do not come to the project site.

c. Secretary/Treasurer

Holly Phillips

Trip to Window Rock Spoke to NHA for NHA owners to get deeds to home so they can get homesite lease. NHA will be here on August 21st and 22nd. At this time the community has a construction project going on and if people would like to donate time or monetary please reach out to Renee and she will get you in contact with us.

d. Grazing Official

Tyler Manson

NNCEM CEM-26-004, allowing us to utilize our emergency funding. Hay will be here on Thursday for community members you will need to fill out an application for supplemental feed. Herman asks about the Navajo Nation Drought insurance.

Tyler relays that the tribe is still in litigation with CKP, they hired JJ to be their representative.

When the tribe is in litigation they don't like to talk about it.

e. Chapter Manager

Renee Tsosie

Renee reviews the hay assistance form. The Chapter is purchasing 494 bales of hay. Applications are due Wednesday. Distribution will be Thursday from 9-4 DST.

2027 Dodge truck will be ready in 6 weeks.

Navajo Nation Tax office were not available to speak on any LeChee Tax ordinance.

Spoke to the retirement office on behalf of chapter employees.

NHA director will be here to help home owners get their documents. They will meet with NHA homeowners one on one to get them their documents.

I am working on a project to get rural homes cistern and septic tanks and will meet with NTUA tomorrow morning and I want to give them this information.

On the 14 and 21st we will have a budget session.

If you need emergency water for your livestock, call the Chapter to get assistance.

Back to School Bash was very successful last Friday.

Today is the first day back to school.

Tomorrow is JMI.

Sponsor: Holly Phillips

Motion: Holly Phillips

Second: Herman Pioche

Favor : __3__

Oppose: __0__

Abstain: __1__

11. Announcements: (are subject to change)

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| a. | Chapter Planning Meeting | 8/3/2026 4:00 PM |
| b. | JMI | 8/4/2026 5:00 PM |
| c. | Regular Chapter Meeting | 8/10/2026 5:00 PM |
| d. | Navajo Code Talker Day | 8/14/2026 |
| e. | District Grazing Meeting (LeChee Chapter) | 8/19/2026 10:00 AM |
| f. | St. Mary's Food Distribution | 8/24/2026 TBD |
| | (Volunteers Needed) | |

12. Adjournment: 5:34 PM

Sponsor: [Irene Whitekiller](#)

Motion: Holly Phillips

Second: Tyler Manson

Favor : __3__

Oppose: __0__

Abstain: __1__

Completed by: _____

Holly Phillips 8/4/2026