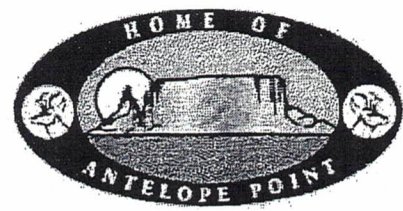


# LeChee Chapter



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## LeChee Chapter Planning Meeting April 01, 2019 @ 5pm. Agenda

1. Meeting Call to Order: *by Jerry Williams @ 5:18pm*
2. Invocation: *Larry Jackson, Consumer Relations Specialist*
3. Announcements/Presentation/Updates from other programs: (please allow for 10min. time limit)
  - A) *Change Lab Native Owned Business Startup*
  - B) *Desert View 5th Grade River Raft Trip*
  - C) *Update from ASU Professor's on Community Economic Development*
4. Review and Adoption of the Agenda:
5. Reading and Approval of March Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes:
6. Action items/Financial Report/Resolutions(s): (Financial Reports are reported quarterly and hard copies are displayed at the front office)
  - A) #LC-040819A. - *Supporting Resolution for NTUA for Broadband/Fiber Optic Internet Services*
  - B) #LC-040819B. - *NONE*
  - C) #LC-040819C. - *NONE*
  - D) #LC-040819D. - *NONE*
7. Reports: (Reports done at the Chapter Meeting)
  - A. Chapter Manager: *NO Attendance*
  - B. Chapter Officials: *Jerry Williams sent gave up dates*
  - C. Council Delegate:
  - D. Grazing Representative:
8. Next Regular Planning Meeting: May 6, 2019.
9. Next Regular Chapter Meeting: April 08, 2019 (Monday)
9. Adjournment: *6:50pm Motion: Sara Dale Seconded: JoAnne Yazzie-Pioche*

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

## LeChee Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2019 @ 5:00 PM

### Agenda

1. Meeting Call to Order: By Jerry Williams, Chapter President @ 5:18 PM
2. Invocation: Larry Jackson Jr., Consumer Relations Specialist
3. Appoint Pro-Temp Secretary: Motion made to appoint Renee Tsosie  
Motion: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche Second: Jerry Williams Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain.
4. Announcements/Presentation/Updates from other programs: (please allow for 10 minute time limit)
  - A. Change Lab Native Owned Business Startup: Marsha Greyeyes presented an outline of how to start their own small business on the Native Land. This program is under the Grand Canyon Trust. Office is located behind Denny's in Tuba City, Arizona. She will be attending the chapter meeting on April 7, 2019 to present as well.
    - Small Business Planning start up
    - Provide workshops and give pointers
    - Outline of how to put a proposal together
    - Assist with all questions during the proposal process
    - Business Counselor available, Jessica Stago
  - B. Desert View 5<sup>th</sup> Grade River Raft trip – Jerry Williams presented for Mrs. Lou Tso who is a teacher at Desert View, here in Page Unified School District. Looking to raise funds for the upcoming annual River Raft Trip down the Little Colorado River, this is proposed in May before school is out. Need to raise \$5,000.00 to pay the cost for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. There is a total of 150 students, and the cost per student is around \$50.00, with a total of half the students from LeChee community. Dixie Young with Lower Antelope Canyon Tours offered to pay the total cost, but Lou only accepted \$2,500.00. Kenny Young's Lower Antelope Canyon Tours donated \$600.00. Lou Tso contacted some of the other Navajo owned tour companies to request a donations, waiting on responses from some of them, some don't want to donate. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade class will continue to search for donations to pay for the cost. All donations are accepted.
  - C. Update from Arizona State University (ASU) Professor's on Community Economic Development on Navajo Nation and within the LeChee Community.
    - Gyan Nyaupane, Ph D. – Have been working with Indigenous Native American Tribes throughout the US, to compile information on environmental studies which is his ultimate research project. As he gets this information together the research studies will be shared with the community for future economic development. We can get the data together and provide the statistics to the chapter for future planning of the community.
    - Krishina K Shrestha – Working on the water resources with waste water systems we have on the Navajo Nation to help develop a resource to provide waste water/water in areas where water is needed for communities and families.
    - Question: Community member Irmadine Charley-Sloan – Where are you doing the research? Response: Gyan Nyaupane, so far we have been getting information from 15 interviews done on the Navajo Nation communities. If you know of anyone willing to take the interview please have them contact me at 480-459-8081. We could use all the information we can get to complete our research. Business cards will be left at the front office for those who would like to participate as well.

- Sara Dale, LeChee Chapter Grazing Official mentioned the chapter did some survey's in reference to the type of research this group is working on, maybe the surveys can be provided to your group.
  - Jerry Williams, mentioned that the Chapter Manager can provide you the information, and he will ask Rae Tate to forward that information to Gyan and his group.
5. Review and Adoption of the Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda.  
 Motion: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche Second: Renee Tsosie Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 01 abstain
6. Reading and Approval of March 4, 2019 Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the March 4, Planning meeting minutes, it is also posted in the front lobby for public to view. No Questions.  
 Motion: Renee Tsosie Second: Sara Dale Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 01 abstain.
7. Action items/Financial Report/Resolution(s): **(Financial Reports are reported quarterly and hard copies are displayed at the front lobby of the office)**
- A. #LC-040819A – Supporting Resolution for Navajo Tribal Utility Authority for Broadband/Fiber Optic Internet Services, with the cost of \$3.1 million. This is to provide internet service to the LeChee Chapter House for future use of local youth and adults within the community. Also to provide a computer lab, with Microsoft to purchase all the computers for the lab, once it has been established. Funding will come out of Navajo Nation Sie'ahsin", and has been proposed before the last council changed over to the new council.
- Presented by Larry Jackson and Nicole Sombrero with NTUA. Power Point will be provided during the chapter meeting on April 8, 2019 at 5:00 PM (MST)
  - Proposing to provide broadband/fiber optic to the LeChee Chapter, as well as 62 other chapters, currently a pilot project is working for the following communities: Chinle, Fort Defiance, Kin Dahilichii, Mexican Water and Shiprock.
  - This project was proposed during the last administration, but did not meet the deadline to get funded.
  - Included is 2 years of repairs.
  - Monthly Cost for Internet service is around \$75.00 a month.
  - Provided copies of the PowerPoint, which is attached to the meeting minutes.
- Question: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche, will this broadband/fiber optic be provided to community members in their own homes? Chapter currently has Hughes Net for Internet Services, and provides two computers for community member use only.  
 Response: Larry, not at this time, since this is just a start up to this community. If the services works well for the chapter it could be considered in another proposal in the future.
- B. #LC-040819B – NONE  
 C. #LC-040819C – NONE  
 D. #LC-040819D – NONE
8. Reports: (Reports done at the Chapter Meetings)
- A. Chapter Manager – Not in Attendance
- B. Chapter Officials: Jerry Williams reported the following updates:
- Attended Fossils Fuel Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, with some of the current Navajo Nation Administration, and other representatives.
  - Navajo Generating Station Closure, and possible future development to provide electricity in a different form, such as solar, fossil fuels, and natural gas. Meeting was very informative.
  - 30% of electricity has to be available at all times to Navajo Nation communities.
  - Solar and Wind power is not as readily available due to weather conditions.
  - Natural Gas is more feasible.

- The country of Mexico is in dire need of electricity, if Navajo Nation can come up with a plan to generate and sell electricity to the country, these was some of the discussions that took place.
- Coal Earth Program is at 30% and could be a replacement at the NGS after a later date of closure.
- Carbon Dioxide could be used and transferred to refract Natural Gas from the lands.
- Update on Meeting with National Park Services – NPS will start attending future planning and chapter meetings with LeChee, Gap, Coppermine and Kaibeto, to start working with future developments on small businesses, and assist with Commercial Users Authorizations (CUA). This will start up in May of 2019.

C. Council Delegate: Not in attendance

D. Grazing Representative: Sara Dale reported the following:

- District 1 Grazing Representative Meeting on April 3, 2019 @ 9:00 AM (DLT) in Kaibeto Chapter House.
- Will be working on getting the Grazing Permit holders who are not in violation signed up for Rancher Supplemental Funds. This funding is coming out of Coconino County. Since Navajo Nation is still in a drought. A meeting will be set up for all Grazing Permittee's and posted here at the chapter lobby entrance.
- Western Navajo Nation Agency meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2019 @ 9:00 AM 9 (DLT) in Tuba City BIA Conference Room, Tuba City, Arizona.

9. Next Regular Planning meeting: May 6, 2019 @ 5:00 PM (MST)

10. Next Regular Chapter meeting: April 8, 2019 @ 5:00 PM (MST)

11. Adjournment: 6:50 PM (MST) Motion: Sara Dale      Second: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 01 abstain

Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes submitted by: Renee Tsosie, Pro-Temp Secretary