LeChee Chapter



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LeChee Chapter Meeting

October 10, 2019

AGENDA

- 1. Meeting Call to Order:
- 2. Invocation:
- 3. Announcements/Presentation: (please allow for 10 min. time limit)
 - A. Page Unified School District Information only
 - B. Coconino County Elections Ray Daw
 - C. Catena Foundation -
 - D. Public Harassment against Chapter Staff Employee's In-house Attorney, Brian Lewis
 - E. New LeChee Chapter Registrar Renee Tsosie

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- 4. Review and Adoption of the Agenda:
- 5. Reading and Approval of September 12, 2019 Chapter Meeting Minutes:
- 6. Action items/Financial Report /Resolution(s): (Financial Reports are reported quarterly and hard copies are displayed at the front office).
 - A. #LC-101019A Requesting and approving the Re-Affirming of the Internal Audit Request by the Navajo Nation Office of the Auditor General for the LeChee Chapter.
 - B. #LC-101019B The LeChee Chapter voting Community Members are requesting for approval to change the LeChee Chapter meetings and the LeChee Chapter Planning meetings to the first and second Monday of each month.
 - C. #LC-101019C- Resolution of LeChee Chapter Approving the annual allocation budget of \$291,685.00
- 7. Reports:
 - A. Chapter Manager: Revaline Yazzie-Tate
 - B. Chapter Officials: LeChee Chapter Officials: Jerry Williams, JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche, Renee Tsosie
 - C. Council Delegate: Paul Begay
 - D. Grazing Representative: Sara Dale
- 8. Next Regular Planning Meeting: November ______, 2019 @ 6:00 P.M. (MST)
- 9. Next Regular Chapter Meeting: November , 2019@ 6:00 P.M. (MST)
- 10. Adjournment:

LeChee Chapter Meeting

October 10, 2019 @ 6:00 PM (MST)

Meeting Minutes

- 1. **Meeting Call to Order**: Chapter President, Jerry Williams called the meeting to order @6:18 PM (MST)
- 2. Invocation: Community Member Winona Nez
- 3. Announcements/Presentation: (please allow for 10 min. time limit)
 - A. Page Unified School District Leno Footracer, Science & Biology Teacher at Page High School.
 - Reported that there are 4 teachers who are myself, Thresa Robbins, Michele, and Sharon Watson, advocates REPA Resilience Education through Parent Advocacy for parents and students who have to deal with the PUSD ie. Understanding the students who have Disability issues with other students, even to understand what an IEP is, Gifted Child, how to communicate with staff, knowing your rights as parents and students.
 - Everyone is invited to attend a Workshop on October 21, 2019 @5:00 PM (MST) @ Page High School. Teachers from Page High School will be there to help parents and students who have concerns with PUSD. Encourage to bring your students to attend these workshops. At this work shop you will learn how the teachers are educating your students,
 - A flyer will be handed out to all the students at PUSD with more information regarding this event, please look out for the flyer from your students, also be advertised on the district website.
 - Plan on inviting all chapters that are nearby to attend.
 - Amber Robbins a student introduced herself in Navajo to the community members.
 - No Questions from the community.
 - B. Coconino County Elections Elections Outreach Specialist, Ray Daw Please see flyer attached for all upcoming County, State and Presidential elections.
 - All information can be found on our website www.coconino.az.gov/elections.com
 - Early Voting February 19, 2020
 - Last Day to Request EV Ballot by Mail March 6, 2020
 - Last Day to Vote Early March 13, 2020
 - Informational Pamphlets will be mailed out to all registered Democrat voters by January 2020, it will have official election mail on the envelope. The ballots are also located in the mail.
 - There are Radio advertisements in Navajo being announced on KTNN, KPGE, and KAFF radio stations.
 - Poll Workers & Interpreters Training Letters will be sent out to Poll Workers & Interpreters.
 - Ray Daw left his notes on his report, which is attached to the meeting minutes.
 Question: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche asked is the Presidential Election new?
 Response: Ray Daw No the Presidential Election come around every 4 years.

- C. Catena Foundation Danell Carmen, Tribal Liaison to National Park Service,
 - Don't know much about it this Organization, Catena Foundation just reached out to us to make this announcement here tonight.
 - Its an Organization that tries to do good deeds in the community, and very private.
 - They would like to reach out to all neighboring communities in Western Navajo or District One.
 - Would like to help out with Economic Development within the communities, funds are available and expertise to develop are available to help any future entrepreneurs.
 - This Cantena Foundation is Not affiliated with NPS.

The Cantena Foundation will be out here the first week of November to meet with the leadership of LeChee. At this time the chapter officials can ask questions on what type of Foundation they are. Question: Orlinda Tsosie asked what type of trail development can this Cantena Foundation assist with?

Response: Danell Carmen, I am not to sure what type, I am sorry to tell you that I really don't have much information on the Cantena Foundation, maybe they can help develop trails in your community. Interpreter: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche, brought up using the Junk Food Tax funds to help pay for the trails, since community members are always finding ways to exercise. This Junk Food Tax funds needs to be used or the Navajo Nation can take the funds back since we are not using the funds, or they won't allocate any more funds to our chapter. Balance on the white board is \$46,021.05. These funds don't have a definite plan to be utilized, this might be some ideas that the funds could be made available for. Question: Where is the company out of?

Response: Danell Carmen, I really don't know where they are out of. I was just the person they reached out to.

Jerry Williams – Sometimes people who have money and would like to help out non-profit organizations out with Economic Development, so they really don't want to be recognized. Maybe help developing rim view trails, we will meet with them and ask questions and report back to the chapter members in November 2019 after the meeting.

- D. Public Harassment against Chapter Staff Employee's In-house Attorney, Brian Lewis: Jerry Williams indicated that Brian Lewis was not able to attend this meeting due to schedule but will be able to attend tonight's meeting, he will attend when he is available.
- E. New LeChee Chapter Registrar Renee Tsosie, announced that an open Navajo Nation Registration Drive on October 24, 25th, 0f 2019. From 9:00 AM 12:00 PM LUNCH 1:00 PM 4:00 PM all MST here at the LeChee Chapter House in the back-conference room. Please provide a valid identification card and Certificate of Indian Blood when registering. No questions from Community Members.
- 4. **Review and Adoption of the Agenda**: Motion was made by Helene Gilbert to delete Resolution #LC-101019C Approving the Annual Allocation Budget of \$201,685.00 under 6. C. Due to chapter Secretary/Treasurer has not reviewed the Annual Allocation Budget, and to move it to the next scheduled meeting in November 2019, then to accept the rest of the Agenda as is. Second: Elizabeth Nez

Vote: 31 in favor 0 oppose 01 abstain Motion Carried

5. Reading and Approval of September 12, 2019 Chapter Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Elizabeth Nez motioned to have the chapter Secretary/Treasurer read only the action items of the September 12, 2019 Chapter Meeting Minutes.

Second: Margie Lane

Vote: 38 in favor 0 oppose 01 abstain Motion Carried

Chapter Secretary/Treasurer read only the action items to the community members. There were 3 action items under Resolutions only.

- 6. Action items/Financial Report /Resolution(s): (Financial Reports are reported quarterly, and hard copies are displayed at the front office and written on the white board in the main meeting room).
 - A. #LC-101019A Requesting and approving the Re-Affirming of the Internal Audit Request by the Navajo Nation Office of the Auditor General for the LeChee Chapter.

Motion: Elizabeth Nez motioned to have this resolution approved and added to her motion to have the start putting the chapter financial report on the back of the agenda.

Second: Helene Gilbert

Vote: 40 in favor 0 oppose 01 abstain Motion Carried

B. #LC-101019B - The LeChee Chapter voting Community Members are requesting for approval to change the LeChee Chapter meetings and the LeChee Chapter Planning meetings to the first and second Monday of each month.

Motion: Richardson Etsitty Second: Doreen Manson

Vote: 31 in favor, 11 oppose 09 abstained Motion Carried

C. #LC-101019C – Approving the Annual Allocation Budget of \$201,685.00 – This resolution was deleted from the agenda and motion to the next regular Planning/Chapter meeting in November 2019. Helen Gilbert went and deleted this resolution under number 4. Under approval of tonight's agenda.

7. Reports:

- A. Chapter Manager: Revaline Yazzie-Tate Not here to make report
- B. Chapter Officials: LeChee Chapter Officials:
- Jerry Williams Upcoming is the Pinion Horse Sale is scheduled for October 29, 2019.
- Public Service Building still in the planning stages of Fire Station and Emergency, money is available to, land available to start developing, lacking water and sewer but Antelope Point Marina is willing to help us out with this planning.
- Regional Development Committee RDC will be inviting the committee to have a meeting here in the month of November 2019.
- Budget and Finance Meeting will be inviting them to come out and have a meeting here at the LeChee Chapter.
- JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche Attended a meeting at NGS/SRP reviewed the property and what is going to be for sale. Since we are the host chapter, we should be the chapter to receive any property we are requesting. Chapter manager went and wrote a letter to Kelly Mae with a wish list and was told by NGS/SRP to contact JT Willie for any and all requests. We have been unsuccessful in contacting JT Willie to make our requests.

- Rural Addressing is underway, will be attending a meeting in Window Rock on October 15, 2019 with Community Development Department CDD. Our chapter members come in to request a letter from the chapter to verify addresses, we were told from Window Rock we are breaking the law by writing these letters. We were directed to give out forms to request Rural Address to be verified, you are welcome to come in fill out this form to request the letter.

Question: Orlinda Tsosie – Are we ever going to get our house numbers on our homes, for exact location of residence.

Response: JoAnn Yazzie-Pioche - I can ask this question at our meeting.

Response: Cassie Scott – Maps are here in the chapter house and all the signs that are posted are not even recognized by the Navajo Nation and were not installed correctly.

- Renee Tsosie NGS/SRP & Pera Club will be having a Yard Sale, which will be announced on the radio station on the date and time.
- Remember to attend the November chapter meeting since a resolution was just passed to have meeting on Monday nights.
- C. **Council Delegate:** Paul Begay Not here. Made report during the Planning meeting October 3, 2019 (report was posted with Planning Meeting minutes in the chapter lobby).
- D. Grazing Representative: Sara Dale
- Monthly Grazing meeting on October 1, 2019 in Window Rock with RDC. Topic was why are we not educating the community members on why there are horse and sheet corrals located in the homesite lease or the business site lease areas. They also questioned why business site leases are not replanting trees or trying to fix the land scaping. Why are grazing officials not enforcing over grazing, and to have Grazing Permit holders take care of the land. Maybe we need education on how to take care of the land, and how to take care of your livestock with proper vaccination.
- One person to complete the Talley count for Fiscal Year 2019. When you get your tally completed this year you can turn in your Tally count into FSA for funding.
- Working on GPS/Mapping the Rural/Community Homesite Lease, Business Site Lease, Gravesite's, and Livestock corrals and Powerline.
- 8. Next Regular Planning Meeting: November 4, 2019 @ 6:00 P.M. (MST)
- 9. Next Regular Chapter Meeting: November 11, 2019@ 6:00 P.M. (MST)

10. Adjournment: 8:47 PM (MST)

Chapter meeting minutes submitted by:

Chapter Secretary/Treasurer, Renee Tsosie