

Black Mesa Chapter
Planning Meeting Minutes
August 05, 2016

- I. Meeting Called to Order by Larry Biltah @ 1:39 pm.
 - A. Invocation provided by Bill Yazzie.
 - B. Reading & Approval of Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2016
Motioned by: Caroline Bemore
Seconded by: Marlene Biltah
VOTE: 4-0-0
 - C. Adoption of Agenda and Suspend the Rules
Motioned by: Marlene Biltah
Seconded by: Francis Honie
VOTE: 4-0-0
 - D. Announcements
 1. 8/11/16 – JMI @ BM Chapter, 530pm
 2. 8/11-12/16 – Nationwide GCM Workshop @ Twins Arrow, AZ
 3. 8/16/16 – BMC Permittee Meeting, 9am
 4. 8/18/16 – Red Dog Gravel Meeting @ Pinon NDOT, 10am
- II. Brief Reports/Introduction of Resolutions:
 - A. Bill Yazzie, Candidate for Navajo County Board of Supervisors
 1. He is running as a write-in candidate; other candidates are Lee Jack and Lita Dixon as Democrats and Robert Black as Republican.
 2. He is supporting local road improvements.
 3. He requested to be on Chapter meeting agenda.
 - B. Council Delegate, Dwight Witherspoon – Absent but his LDA, Nicole Horseherder made a brief reports.
 1. OHNIR office in Flagstaff AZ is being proposed to close but there are several unmet needs that need attention such as relocation homes not in best quality, social and grazing issues.
 2. Supplemental funding for Dzilyjiiin Judicial building remodeling.

LBiltah expressed his concern on a loan from NHLC to built Twin Arrows Casino but it's not making any revenues and not paying back on the loan. Now more funds are being allocated to build travel center. He recommended keeping the OHNIR Office open to assist relocatees and NPL issues. Funds should be utilize for all affected communities within NPL areas. He requested Nicole Horseherder to assist BM Chapter just like FL Chapter.

VYellowhair said relocatees relinquished their rights to grazing and only have one acre. NN Council have not actually help grazing officials and chapters within NPL.

CBemore asked about NN budget cuts for FY 2017. Legislative and Executive branches have more funding and there are a lot of duplications of services in Window Rock.

C. Grazing Committee Member, Francis Honie

1. He attended GCM meeting at Hardrock on the 3rd and the following were items were discussed:
 - a. Permit redistributions on hold and being delayed (stand still)
 - b. NN Dept of Agricultural talked about health issues and concerns such as hantavirus.
 - c. Livestock vaccinations
2. Nationwide workshop to hold at Twin Arrows and some topics are grazing permit issues and state brands.
3. He almost completed with branding and tally counts; GPS is required and recorded at each branding sites.
4. NN Grazing Regulations Act still needs to approve by NN Council.
5. BIA has completed the carrying capacity within NPL areas.

D. CSC, Albert Lee

1. Allocation of FY 2017 in amount of \$230,644.00
2. He reported a mouse problem within the chapter house and have been putting on traps.
3. OEH will be coming again and meet with homeowners for orientation before water are turn for them. NECA will hook up the water on August 16th.
4. Repair of kitchen sink is completed and will need to contact OEH to inspect it again.

E. Call to the Public

1. VYellowhair requested for water tank replacement and dam restoration in Yale Point Valley.

F. CLUPC, Ella Tallis

1. The Committee attended LRAC work session on Tuesday. More updates and correction to be made on road names and people addresses.
2. MC recommended holding 3-4 days of work sessions to complete Rural Addressing.
3. Tentative meeting scheduled on August 9th.

MBiltah said she and LBiltah also attended the work session with Committee and there are several procedures and guidelines to follow to complete Rural Addressing. In order for the BM Chapter to actually complete the project, they need to be in Window Rock and work with MC Baldwin. Someone who is computer literate needs to assist the Committee.

G. CHR – She left earlier.

H. BM Veterans Organization, Richard Claw – Absent.

I. BM Review Board, Andrew Benallie – Absent.

J. Dzilyijiin Regional Community Development Commission, Jimmy Yellowhair – Absent.

K. Chapter Officers

1. Carol Bemore, Vice President
 - a. She expressed her disappointed about the Bike Riding Event when they stayed overnight at the chapter house. Not many participated locally. Blue Gap Chapter provided a good reception and served hot meals to participants.

- b. Chapter funds policy work sessions went well and appreciated Marlene Hoskie for assisting and her input. More time is needed to address concerns and other issues of BM Chapter.
 - c. A special meeting needs to take place on N8066 Road Construction; identify some funding sources to supplement the project and discussion on guidelines and procedures.
 - d. Mr. Harold Riley of NAO BIA Dept. of Transportation requested to include the road project in CLUP manual.
- 2. Larry Biltah, President
 - a. Biological evaluation is completed for the N8066 Road Construction and on file with the Chapter Administration.
 - b. He talked with Mr. Black (Navajo County Supervisor) of Navajo County to assist the chapter with stabilizing the parking lot with chlorine solution.
- 3. Marlene Biltah, Secretary/Treasurer
 - a. While attending LRAC work session with CLUPC, she and Larry met with Leland Dayzie on the status of BM Head Start Building Project
 - b. She, Larry and Mr. Dayzi also talked about Bathroom Addition CIP Funds in amount of \$16,000. Majority of the funds will be used for personnel expenses and less for supplies and materials. BM Chapter needs to approve a resolution to request all funds to be used for supplies and materials.
 - c. She also agreed with Ms. Bemore on chapter's work sessions held last week. There are still several policies to review or development new policies for chapter funds. Reviewing FMS was not completed.
- L. LCRWSCA , Jessica Keetso
 - 1. She is part time employee hired recently and only attending chapter's planning and regular chapter meeting to pass on information.
 - 2. Association is still using carry-over funds of \$300,000.
 - 3. There is no word for continuing the program by NN Council.
 - 4. Steering Committee are discussing about funds to be allocated separately to Dzirlyijiin Region; will be transparent and locally control.
 - 5. Fiscal Agent who is IRS 501(c)3 is being sought currently and looking into Hardrock Counseling & Substance Program or a Certified LGA Chapter which is Pinon or Whippoorwill.
 - 6. Janene Yazzie , Sr. Planner, plans to attend chapter meetings for updates and reports.
 - 7. She will bring a copy of proposal to next meeting.

NHorseherder, as a member of Water Rights Settlement Negotiating Team, will make her report at the chapter meeting. Byron, Sr. Planner for Dzirlyijiin Region should be attending chapter meetings and make reports on watersheds.

M. BMCS and RRCS School Board - None

N. Others - None

III. Updates on Chapter On-going Projects:

A. N8066 Road Construction, Phase III & Permanent Bridge

- B. N8065 Low Water Crossing Project
- C. North Valley Power Line Extension Project
- D. Black Mesa Head Start Building
 1. The packet finally sent and to start with SAS process last week.
 2. Leland Dayzie of DCD informed chapter officers that NN Head Start Dept. pulled out their funds. Funds are not to use for construction, only for office supplies, office equipment, and playground.
 3. BM Chapter needs to submit a letter of commitment for chapter's fund contribution towards the project.
- E. Frontier Telecommunications

IV. Resolutions:

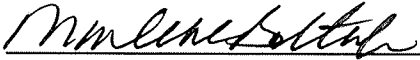
- A. BLAC-16-08-123: Approve Chapter Scholarship Assistance for Joanne Yazzie, MaKayla Yellowhair, Kristen Yellowhair, Shanaya Clark, Shaniah Whitehair, Kristen Tallis
- B. BLAC-16-08-124: Approve Medical Assistance for Prsicilla Yellowhair, Jane Baloo, and Roger Honie
- C. BLAC-16-08-125: Request to Apache County to replace new storage water tank (25K closed top) at Windmill #4T500
- D. BLAC-16-08-126: Request to Apache County for and 17 earthen dams clean up on Route N8088
- E. BLAC-16-08-127: Approve Acceptance and Authorization for FY 2017 Chapter Funds
- F. BLAC-16-08-128: Approving and assuming maintenance responsibility of planned BM Chapter parking lot upon completion of paving
- G. BLAC-16-08-130: Request to NN Division of Community Development to approve \$16,000 Bathroom Addition Funds (CIP)
- H. BLAC-16-08-131: Approve LCRWCA Inter-governmental Agreement for chapter's watershed projects
- I. BLAC-16-08-132: Approve Revised BM Chapter Scholarship Fund Policy
- J. BLAC-16-08-133: Approve Revised BM Chapter PEP Fund Policy
- K. BLAC-16-08-134: Approve Revised BM Chapter Stipend Fund Policy
- L. BLAC-16-08-135: Approve Revised BM Chapter SYETP Fund Policy
- M. BLAC-16-08-136: Approve Revised BM Chapter Housing Discretionary Fund Policy
- N. BLAC-16-08-137: Approve Revised BM Chapter General Activity Fund Policy

- O. BLAC-16-08-138: Approve Revised BM Chapter General Fund Policy
- P. BLAC-16-08-139: Approve Revised BM Chapter Property and Equipment Policy
- Q. BLAC-16-08-140: Approve Revised BM Chapter Emergency Fund Policy

Motioned to Forward All Resolutions to Regular Chapter Meeting by: Caroline Bemore
Seconded by: Marlene Biltah
VOTE: 4-0-0

- V. The meeting adjourned @ 4:33 pm.
Motioned by: Albert Lee
Seconded by: Marlene Biltah
VOTE: 4-0-0

Next Chapter Meeting: Friday, August 19, 2016 @ 1:00 pm
Next Planning Meeting: Friday, September 9, 2016 @ 1:00 pm



Marlene Biltah, Chapter Secretary/Treasurer