

Black Mesa Chapter  
Chapter Meeting Minutes  
December 12, 2014

I. Meeting Called to Order by Larry Biltah @ 3:58pm.

A. Invocation provided by Roy Gilmore.

B. Reading & Approval of Meeting Minutes of 11/15/14

Motioned by: Nora Yazzie

Seconded by: Jane Baloo

VOTE: 21-00-02

C. Adoption of Agenda

Motioned by: Nora Yazzie

Seconded by: Jane Baloo

VOTE: 23-00-07

D. Announcements:

1. 12/8-12/14 – Scholastic Book Fair @ Black Mesa School
2. 12/16/14 – Chinle Agency NDOT Meeting @ Tse Bonito, NM
3. 1/8/15 – Dzilyjiin Regional Council Meeting @ Pinon Chapter, 9am
4. 1/17/14 – Chinle Agency Council Meeting @ Nazlini Chapter, 9am

Note: Dinner and Christmas treats were distributed to people during the meeting. Chapter Administration and Chapter Officers donated some door prizes which were conducted during the meeting.

II. Resolutions:

A. BMC-15-12-030: NO FUNDS – NO ACTION. Approve Housing Discretionary Assistance for Joann Chee

B. BMC-15-12-031: Approve Emergency Medical Assistancess for Regina H. Lynch

Motioned by: Elouise Yellowhair

Seconded by: Priscilla Yellowhair

VOTE: 26-00-04

C. BMC-15-12-032: Approve Travel Authorization for CSC and AMS to Attend IRS Training on January 6-7, 2015 in Flagstaff AZ.

Motioned by: Jane Baloo

Seconded by: Elouise Yellowhair

VOTE: 28-00-03

D. BMC-15-12-033: Approve \$300.00 for Chapter Community Christmas Treats for Community Christmas Dinner on December 12, 2014.

Motioned by: Priscilla Yellowhair

Seconded by: Freddie Baloo

VOTE: 24-00-10

- E. BMC-15-12-034: Approve Chapter Scholarship Assistances for Howard Kiyaani and Evette Tullie.  
Motioned by: Jackson Klah  
Seconded by: Elouise Yellowhair  
VOTE: 27-00-07
  
- F. BMC-15-12-035: Select and Approve Caroline Bemore as Little Colorado River Water Shed Chapter Representative.  
Motioned by: Daisy Kiyaani  
Seconded by: Jane Baloo  
VOTE: 18-00-16
  
- G. BMC-15-12-036: Select and Approve Ray Gilmore as BM CLUP Committee representing North Valley in Black Mesa Chapter Community.  
Motioned by: Daisy Kiyaani  
Seconded by: Tyson Yellowhair  
VOTE: 31-00-01
  
- H. BMC-15-12-037: Urgently Requesting the NN Council, Dept of Agriculture, NN Natural Resources, and BIA NPL Office of Pinon to collect and remove unbranded horses round up at private residents.  
Motioned by: Polly Deal  
Seconded by: Lee Kiyaani  
VOTE: 20-00-14
  
- I. BMC-15-12-038: Select and Approve Andrew Benallie as BM Review Board Chapter Representative  
Motioned by: Daisy Kiyaani  
Seconded by: Jane Baloo  
VOTE: 23-00-09
  
- J. BMC-15-12-039: Request NN President, NN Vice President, NN Council, Speaker of NNC, Dept of Justice and NN Election Board Supervisors to enact judicial reform to have Supreme Court Judge be elected into office and not be appointed.  
Motioned by: Jane Baloo  
Seconded by: Daisy Kiyaani  
VOTE: 25-00-10
  
- K. BMC-15-12-040: Request NN Council to Change Language Qualifications for NN President & NN Vice President to be considered and same as NN Council Language Qualifications.  
Motioned by: Jane Baloo  
Seconded by: Jackson Klah  
VOTE: 26-00-06
  
- L. BMC-15-12-041: Approve and Support NN Council Legislation to ~~pardon and~~ reinstate the Navajo Board of Election Supervisor.  
Motioned by: Roy Gilmore  
Seconded by: Freddie Baloo

Motioned to Amend the Resolution by: Daisy Kiyaani

Seconded by: Roy Gilmore

VOTE: 28-01-05

- M. BMC-15-12-042: Request Apache County Road Maintenance to conduct spot-gravel Route N8088 and N8066 (from county line in Black Mesa to Rough Rock).

Motioned by: Roy Gilmore

Seconded by: Ruby Todechine

VOTE: 29-00-05

- N. BMC-15-12-043: Approve Funeral Expenses Assistance for Jones Begay

Motioned by: Sarah Begay

Seconded by: Priscilla Yellowhair

VOTE: 23-00-01

Motioned for Amendment (add-on) by: Jane Baloo

Seconded by: Annie Remiro

VOTE: 24-00-4

- O. BMC-15-12-044: Requesting DCI to include Lee Bedonie and other residence within Black Mesa Chapter and Pinon Community as Phase II Solar Energy Project was originally proposed and initiated.

Motioned by: Elouise Yellowhair

Seconded by: Annie Remiro

VOTE: 28-00-00

### III. Reports:

#### A. Council Delegate, Dwight Witherspoon

1. Navajo Hopi Land Commission request to cease impounding of NPL Navajo residents' livestock for a period of 150 days so the NN can work with Navajo families on the issue.
2. NN Veterans Trust Fund – Legislation failed to allow mobile homes as part of 15 homes per agency for veterans. Housing construction is more stable homes and last longer than mobile homes.
3. Confirming Omar Bradley to serve 4 years as a board member of NN Gaming Enterprise Board of Directors.
4. Title 17 Amendments, Criminal Code of the NN, passed.
5. Approve supplemental funding for Navajo Language and Culture class in Maricopa (Phoenix) area.
6. Amending Navajo Tax Code failed.
7. NN President vetoed the funds for Legislative District Assistants Program passed.
8. Appointment of two members from each 5 standing committees of NNC for a total of 10 Shareholder Representatives to NN Oil and Gas Company.
9. Approve to purchase 2 new transit buses for NN Transit. New route added is from Pinon-Cottonwood-Chinle-Many Farms-Lukachukai-Tsaile-Chinle-Pinon. Legislation going before Naabikiyati Committee on December 22 and then to Council Delegate on December 23, 2014.
10. An orientation for 16 new council delegates will take place at Twin Arrows, AZ, next week, Monday-Thursday.

B. Grazing Committee Member, Francis Honie – Absent.

C. CSC, Albert Lee

1. No coal cards yet; was told BM Chapter is not part of the lease area.
2. The Chapter received \$250,000 from PWCC for infrastructure only.
3. The Chapter will be hauling coal but still getting quotes for the batteries for all chapter heavy equipment (vehicles).
4. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half of FY 2014-2015 allocation in amount of \$116,947 came in and already in the MIP system.
5. BM Solar Energy Project Phase II - Currently working in Wepo Wash Valley; 6 homes already received solar energy systems. 29 residents are on the first phase and 27 residents on the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase which needs house wiring. Some homes will be deleted because they are close to electricity lines. A monthly payment of \$40.00 by each resident will apply for maintenance.
6. The Chapter has been put up for LGA review and waiting for a letter from DOJ.
7. No hay available at NAPI and still working on getting quotes from different vendors.
8. Three quotes for bathroom additions materials have been submitted to Irma Jordan of CIO.
9. Chapter Assistancess - 27 people got assisted with Housing Discretionary Fund, 12 students got assisted with Scholarship Fund and 3 got assisted with Emergency Medical Assistance Fund.
10. The Chapter received 25 turkeys from Apache County to be distributed to elders and residents of Apache County.

Community Comments:

1. Concerns on being left out of any improvements in Yale Point Valley area.
2. Request to have Mr. Witherspoon involved and assistance for obtaining coal cards for the community members.

D. BM Veterans Organization, Richard Claw – Absent.

E. Dzilyijiin Regional Community Development Corporation Commission, Ray Gilmore – Absent.

F. BM CLUPC, Dorothy R Yazzie – Absent.

G. BM Review Board – New Chapter Representative, Andrew Benallie, approved at this meeting.

H. Chapter Officers – participated in discussions and explanation of the resolutions, BM Solar Energy Project and the purposes of the \$250,000 allocation from PWCC which is for North Valley Power Line Extension Project.

I. CHR – Vacant

J. BMCS/RRCS Board Members – None.

K. Others – None.

IV. Adjournment of the Meeting at 6:49pm.

Motioned by: Jane Baloo

Seconded by: Rose G Chee

VOTE: 28-00-00

Next Planning Meeting: Friday, January 9, 2014 @ 1:00 pm

Next Chapter Meeting: Friday, January 16, 2014 @ 4:00 pm



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Marlene Biltah, Secretary/Treasurer