

Black Mesa Chapter
Chapter Meeting Agenda
November 13, 2015

I. Meeting Called to Order by Larry Biltah @ 4:31 pm.

A. Invocation provided by Fred J Benally.

B. Reading & Approval of Meeting Minutes of 10-16-15

Motioned by: Fred Baloo

Seconded by: Roy Gilmore

VOTE: 18-00-02

C. Adoption of Agenda

Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie

Seconded by: Jane Baloo

VOTE: 20-00-01

Motioned for Add-on by: Dorothy R Yazzie

Seconded by: Roy Gilmore

VOTE: 20-00-01

Motioned to Suspend the Rules (Resolutions before Announcement) by: Dorothy R Yazzie

Seconded by: Sara Mailboy

VOTE: 19-00-02

II. Resolutions:

A. BMC-16-11-009: Approve Housing Discretionary Assistance for Fred J. Benally, Cecelia Klah, Betty Taylor, Audrey Gray, Sarah L. Begay, Muphy Joe, Emery Mose, Valentino Mose, Annie Remiro, Tammy Morago, Steve Remiro, Ella Rockbridge, Della Rockbridge, Irene Joe, Albert Hoskie Sr, with Add-on: Carmalene Maliboy, Matilda Watchman and Marie Lee. Howard Yazzie and Pricialla Yellowhair-Absent..

Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie

Seconded by: Fred Baloo

VOTE: 20-00-01

Motioned to Add on Howard Yazzie made by: Jane Baloo

Seconded by: Annie Remiro

VOTE: 18-00-00

Motioned to Add on Priscilla Yellowhair made by: Jane Baloo

Seconded by: Jackson Klah

VOTE: 18-00-02

B. BMC-16-11- 010: Approve Chapter Scholarship Assistance for Carmyn Mailboy. Kristen Yellowhair-Absent.

Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie

Seconded by: Ella Tallis

VOTE: 18-00-03

Motioned to Add on Kristen Yellowhair made by: Jane Baloo

Seconded by: Annie Remiro

VOTE: 18-00-00

- C. BMC-16-11-011: Request Peabody Western Coal Company to Provide 150 Coal Cards for Senior and Disabled Citizens of BM Chapter Membership.
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
Seconded by: Ella Tallis
VOTE: 18-00-03
- D. BMC-16-11-012: Approve Travel Authorization for CSC and AMS to Attend the Basic Employment Tax Training at Flagstaff AZ on January 6-7, 2016.
Motioned by: Jackson Klah
Seconded by: Jane Baloo
VOTE: 19-00-04
- E. BMC-16-11-013: Request to Apache County to Assign Road Number for Maintenance of Road at Yale Point Valley, near Marty Benallie Sr.'s Resident.
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
Seconded by: Albert Hoskie Sr.
VOTE: 19-00-02
- F. BMC-16-11-014: Request to NTUA and NN Telecommunication Company to Provide Routine Maintain of Routes to the Location of their Towers at Yale Point
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
Seconded by: Albert Hoskie Sr.
VOTE: 19-00-02
- G. BMC-16-11-015: Opposing Proposed Plans to Purchase Three (3) Airplanes by Navajo Nation
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
Seconded by: Ella Tallis
VOTE: 20-00-01
- H. BMC-16-11-016: TABLED - Request Increase of the Chapter Scholarship Assistance
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazie
Seconded by: Fred Baloo
VOTE: 18-00-03
- I. BMC-16-11-017: Oppose Any Legislation that would reduce the Current Number of 110 Navajo Nation Chapter Government.
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
Seconded by: Andrew Benallie
VOTE: 20-00-00
- J. BMC-16-11-018: Request to RDC of NNC and BIA Roads Dept. to Immediately Begin and Establish Road Construction Plans of Phase III N8066 Road Construction that Includes Two (2) Bridge Construction
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
Seconded by: Cecelia Klah
VOTE: 20-00-00
- K. BMC-16-11-019: Approve the Assessment of BM Water Usage Plan for LWCRCA
Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
Seconded by: Andrew Benallie
VOTE: 21-00-00

- L. BMC-16-11-020: Approve to Remain with Tse'si'ani (Sanders) Chapter on Little Colorado River Watershed Projects
 Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
 Seconded by: Andrew Benallie
 VOTE: 21-00-00
- M. BMC-16-11-021: Petition to Immediate Action on Design, Full Funding, and Construction of the Stabilized Low Water Crossing on N8065, Oraibi Wash
 Motioned by: Jane Baloo
 Seconded by: Jackson Klah
 VOTE: 19-00-01
- N. BMC-16-11-022: Petition for Immediate Action for an All-weather Road Improvement on N8065 Through Joint Effort of NDOT and BIA Roads and Navajo County Road Maintenance.
 Motioned by: Jane Baloo
 Seconded by: Jackson Klah
 VOTE: 19-00-01
- O. BMC-16-11-023: Petitioning the BIA Roads Dept. and NDOT for Immediate Action on Reinstallation of Culverts on N8065 by Daw's Resident, North of Two Red Peaks.
 Motioned by: Jane Baloo
 Seconded by: Jackson Baloo
 VOTE: 19-00-01
- Motioned for Add-on by: Dorothy R Yazzie
 Seconded by: Annie Remiro
 VOTE: 16-00-03
- P. BMC-16-11-024: Request NAPI to include BM Chapter on their Schedule with Free Delivery of Hay
 Motioned by: Dorothy R Yazzie
 Seconded by: Elouise Yellowhair
 VOTE: 17-00-01

III. Announcements:

1. 11/13/15 – NN CDBG Meeting @ Pinon, 9am
2. 11/13/15 – Turkey Trot @ BMC, 3pm
3. 11/14/15 – District 4 GCM Meeting @ Blue Gap, 9am
4. 11/15/15 – Agency GCM Meeting @ Chinle, 9am
5. 11/17, 18, or 19/15 – N8066 Road Construction Field Meeting by BIA Roads & NDOT, 9am
6. 11/19/15 – Red Dog Gravel Meeting @ Pinon, 10am
7. 11/20/15 – Livestock Basic Health Care Training @ Chinle, 9-4pm
8. 11/24/15 – Grazing Officials to meet with NN RDC @ Window Rock on Supplemental Funds
9. 12/3/15 – Precinct II GCM Meeting @ Blue Gap, 9am
10. 12/20/15 – NAPI Hay Sale @ Pinon
11. Livestock Buyer, Harrison Redhorse is interested to buy from locals
12. Emergency Winter Preparedness – Encouragement to the public on preparedness at home

IV. Reports:

- A. Council Delegate, Dwight Witherspoon – Absent.
- B. Grazing Committee Member, Francis Honie

1. El Nino weather to be expected this coming winter and advice the community members to prepare themselves, livestock and vehicles.
2. Chinle Agency Grazing Meeting
 - a. Discussion on Grazing Redistributions
 - b. Discussion on wildlife hunting
 - c. Hauling permits to be issue and only haul during the day
 - d. Livestock Sale – Additional bonus payment
 - e. Plan of Operations
 - f. Limited budget
 - g. Increase stipend and become full time worker with full authority to enforce regulations
 - h. Vegetation survey by BIA NPL office to be continue
3. He announced that NAPI will be selling hay at Pinon.

Comments:

1. Dorothy R Yazzie
 - a. Asked about the members of local emergency response team and the commander.
 - b. Need to provide telephone numbers for emergency
 - c. The main routes should be maintain during inclement weather
 - d. If coal cards are denied by PWCC, the Chapter should haul coal to residents, not at the chapter house.
 - e. Request the Chapter Administration to built fire during the meetings since it gets cold for elders.
2. Ella TALLIS – Chapter meetings should be scheduled during the day, not in the evening since people needs to get home safely.

Responses and Comments:

1. Francis Honie – Chapter house should be available for shelter during inclement weather and command post to be developed during the times.
2. Larry Biltah – All BM Chapter Officials will be available to assist during the emergency declaration; Previously chapter meetings have been scheduled early around 1-2pm but don't meet the quorum until late.
3. Marlene Biltah – Emergency assistance and funds are available; the Chapter Officials can call emergency meeting according the people's need; All chapter officials and chapter administration personnel are members of local emergency response team; BMCS has emergency response team who can also assist like they did in 2010.

C. CSC, Albert Lee

1. He just purchased food for community Thanksgiving dinner on Monday, 11/16/15.
2. There are about 250 bales of hay available at \$15.00/bale.
3. All funds for FY 2016 are approved to use including Carry Over funds.
4. PEP workers might start Monday.
5. The Chapter will conduct hauling coal but needs to fix the box of the hauling truck.
6. A deposited of \$1290.00 has been made, most coming from solar system payments.
7. No liability insurance yet; been waiting since October 01, 2015.
8. He just paid for Post Office box today.

Comments:

1. Dorothy R Yazzie – Request for information on heavy equipment operator; coal should be delivered to residents.
2. Annie Remiro – Request for potatoes delivering from NAPI.

D. BM Veterans Organization, Richard Claw – Absent.

- E. CLUPC, Dorothy R Yazzie
1. The Committee held another meeting with Navajo County on CLUP Manual and another meeting is scheduled on December 8, 2015 at BMC.
 2. They have been working on five components in the Plan – sites at Chapter House, Gilmore’s Resident for housing, Oakridge for housing, Yale Point and Honie’s Residents for housing
 3. When the Manual is completed, it will be presented at the Chapter Meeting for approval; then forward to NN RDC.

F. CHR, Lynn Dean – Absent.

G. BM Review Board, Andrew Benallie

1. The Board members have been discussing road improvements in Forest Lake, Black Mesa and Chilchinbeto chapter areas including water usage.
2. Suggested that the Chapter Administration to request for \$1000.00 for community Christmas Dinner and activities.
3. Oakridge area is included in Manymules Waterline Extension Project, Phase IV
4. BM coal is haul by train to Page NGS to generate electricity for Southern Arizona including 500 billion of water while Navajo people are suffering due to lack of waterline, power line, and unimproved roads.
5. Oraibi Wash should be renamed to Wind Around the Rock Wash. The water flow starts from Yale Point.
6. He is concerned on the road maintenance towards to the Yale Point; NTUA and Navajo Telecommunication should maintain their routes to the location of their towers.
7. He will check on the policies regarding coal purchasing made by local affected chapter members; he does disagreed that local people within the affected chapters should not pay.

Comments:

1. Dorothy R Yazzie – Questioned on how Hopi Tribal members get full access and received coal cards individually while the Navajo people have to pay.

H. Dzilyjiiin Regional Community Development Corp., Jimmy Yellowhair – Absent.

I. Chapter Officers

1. Caroline Bemore
 - a. She attended CDBG today at Pinon
 - b. \$5.5 million awarded to Navajo Nation CDBG which is for project-ready infrastructure at the chapter.
 - c. She is planning to prepare proposal for North Valley Power Line Extension Project.
 - d. The deadline for submission of proposal is on January 15, 2016.
 - e. Brief updates N8066 Road Construction and LCRWSCA.
 - f. She would like to see Navajo Nation to do presentation on proposed reductions of chapter houses.
2. Marlene Biltah
 1. She attended with Larry Biltah NDOT Road Inventory Meeting held in Pinon.
 - NDOT is updating the road inventory across the Navajo Nation.
 - Any new roads or deletions of roads are being conducted with the assistance from chapter officials.
 - All roads are being identified with numbers which are used when requesting Federal funds for maintenance or construction.
 - All roads identified with numbers are for public use and should not be gated or blocked.
 2. She also attended CDBG meeting in Pinon today.

J. BMCS and RRCS School Board – None.

K. Others – None.

V. Updates on Chapter On-going Projects:

- A. N8066 Road Construction, Phase III & Permanent Bridges
 - 1. A field meeting to held on Monday, November 16 at 9am.
 - 2. Need to have students of BMCS write support letters and request for supporting resolution from the School Board.
- B. N8065 Low Water Crossing Project
- C. East Valley (Yale Point) Waterline Extension Project
 - 1. NECA worked on the water pump house and still needs to meet the specification of NTUA before the water is turn on for usage.
 - 2. It might be until 2016 for water to be turn on.
- D. North Valley Power Line Extension Project
 - 1. NTUA has not completed the second quotes.
 - 2. Funds are available to conduct the feasibility studies and right-of-ways.
- E. Black Mesa Head Start Building
- F. Frontier Telecommunication

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VII. The meeting adjourned at 7:52pm

Motioned by: Patricia Yellowhair

Seconded by: Elouise Yellowhair

VOTE: 18-00-00

Next Planning Meeting: Sunday, December 06, 2015 @ 3:00 pm

Next Chapter Meeting: Friday, December 11, 2015 @ 3:00 pm



Marlene Biltah, Chapter Secretary/Treasurer