

Black Mesa Chapter  
Planning Meeting Minutes  
March 8, 2015

- I. Meeting Called to Order by Larry Biltah @ 9:51 am.
- A. Invocation provided by Larry Biltah.
- B. Reading and Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2015  
Motioned by: Caroline Bemore  
Seconded by: Francis Honie  
VOTE: 04-00-00
- C. Adoption of Agenda  
Motioned by: Caroline Bemore  
Seconded by: Francis Honie  
VOTE: 04-00-00
- D. Announcements:
1. 3/9/15 – LRCWSCA Meeting @ Pinon Chapter, 4pm
  2. 3/10/15 – Precinct I-IV Grazing Committee Meeting @ Tolani Lake, AZ
  3. 3/10/15 – Dzilyijiin Pubic Safety Meeting, 10am
  4. 3/12/15 – LRCWSCA Work Sessions @ Black Mesa Chapter or Pinon Chapter
  5. 3/13/15 - Red Dog Gravel Meeting @ Holbrook AZ, 10am
  6. 4/1/15 – District 4 Grazing Committee Meeting @ Black Mesa Chapter, 9am
  7. 4/2/15 – Dzilyijiin Regional Council Meeting @ Blue Gap Chapter, 9am
  8. 4/11/15 – Chinle Agency Council Meeting @ Round Rock, 9am
- II. Brief Reports and Introductions of Resolutions:
- A. Other: Nathaniel Tom, LCRWSCA
1. He represents 5 chapters in Dzilyijiin Region as a Senior Planner – Black Mesa, Forest Lake, Pinon, Hard Rock and Whippoorwill chapters.
  2. An orientation is scheduled at Pinon Chapter on student committee’s responsibilities and roles. He is requesting for CLUPC and Steering Committee to attend the orientation.
  3. Need site projects within Dzilyijiin Region such as dam restoration, erosion control (washes), gabions, etc. (small projects). Hard Rock Chapter’s project is building a dam and Pinon Chapter’s project is gabions. Only one project will be selected for each region.
  4. Employment opportunities for local youth this summer.
  5. Youth coordinators will be train to be crew leaders.
  6. Meetings scheduled this week with NPL Office on local NPL issues; and with NN Work Force and NN Dept of Youth on student employment for this summer.
  7. Requesting for monetary donations from five chapters to purchase food for the youth training during the week of March 16<sup>th</sup> at Hard Rock or Big Mountain.
  8. No committee officials currently but will continue working by region on projects.
  9. The association is working with NN EPA and NN NRS on regulations.
- B. Council Delegate, Dwight Witherspoon – Absent.

C. Grazing Committee Member, Francis Honie

1. He attended a GCM Meeting held on Wednesday at Forest Lake Chapter.
  - NPL reported on windmills repairs and services
  - Land disputes issues within Pinon Chapter area.
  - Trespassing by State Brand livestock
  - A request by Grazing representatives by Resolution to Navajo Nation to give more authorities to grazing representatives.
2. Horse Round UP
  - Information given to Grazing representative that a budget is in progress
  - Black Mesa and Forest Lake chapters might be the first to go for horse round up initiatives.
  - Grazing representative request for assistance to Navajo County.

D. CSC, Albert Lee

1. He still needs to get a 2<sup>nd</sup> quote for hay purchase; 1<sup>st</sup> delivery will be on Wednesday.
2. He submitted some local pictures of road, snow and mud to Phoenix Channel 12 News on Friday. They were aired on TV during the news report.
3. Leticia Jodie and Murphy Joe went to Chinle on Saturday and picked up 15 boxes of food which were donated by NN Speaker of NNC. They will be distributed on Monday to residents located further away from main roads (impacted by impassable roads).
4. Robert Jumbo of NN Auditor Office reviewed the BM Chapter's FMS implementations of Fiscal, Personnel, Property, and Recordkeeping (no findings). Procurement had three finding, mainly there were no labels for attachments on NN Business Opportunity, NN access to Information and Privacy Act.
5. REDW has not submitted the final report on Financial Audit conducted on January 29, 2015.

E. Call to Public:

1. A request made for medical assistance.
2. Need waterline extension from Katie Watchman to other 6 homes located south east.
3. A concerns made on illegal cutting of pine trees in Thorn Valley area.

F. CHR, Lynn Dean – Absent.

G. BM Veteran's Organization, Richard Claw – Absent.

H. CLUPC, Ray Gilmore – Absent.

I. BM Review Board, Andrew Benally – Absent.

J. Dzilyijiin Regional Community Development Corp. Commission, Ray Gilmore – Absent.

K. Chapter Officers:

1. A recommendation to write to CHR, BMVO, CLUPC and BMRB on attending the chapter planning meetings on a regular basis.
2. CLUPC members need to complete updating the manual as soon as possible.
3. BMVO need to submit their meeting minutes and make financial reports at the chapter meetings.

4. All chapter officers participated in discussion of resolutions, updates on chapter projects and community concerns.

III. Updates on Chapter Projects:

- A. N8066 Road Construction/Permanent Bridge Project
- B. N8065 Low Water Crossing
- C. East Valley Waterline Extension Project (Yale Point)
  1. No close-out report yet for the project.
- D. BM Head Start Building
  1. Scheduled a follow up meeting with Harrison Martin of NN DES.
- E. BM Solar Energy Phase II
  1. 13 more homes to have their solar system installed.
- F. North Valley Power Line Extension Project
  1. The resolution and a list of participants will be submitted to NTUA to start on feasibility studies and estimated cost of the project.
  2. Need to schedule a meeting or conduct home visits to inform the participants that the home site lease is required to be on the list.
- G. Telecommunication – Frontier

IV. Old Business

- A. BMC-15-079: Request and Approve Reimbursement of \$29.00 to Albert Lee for the Purchased of 2014 W2's Forms

V. Resolutions:

- A. BMC-15-03-084: Affirmed the Chapter Official and Chapter Administration's Action on Declaration of Emergency for BM Chapter Community
- B. BMC-15-03-085: Approve Medical Assistance for Cassandra Nez
- C. BMC-15-03-086: Illegal Cutting of Pine Trees in Thorn Valley
- D. BMC-15-03-087: Approve Travel Authorization for Chapter Officers to attend NN Division of Community Development's NN Community Project Planning @ Twin Arrows, AZ on 3/10-12/15.

VI. The Meeting Adjourned at 12:19 pm.

Motioned by: Caroline Bemore

Seconded by: MarleneBiltah

VOTE: 04-00-000

Next Chapter Meeting: Friday, March 13, 2015 @ 3:00 pm

Next Planning Meeting: Friday, April 03, 2015 @ 3:00 pm



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Marlene Biltah, Chapter Secretary/Treasurer