Black Mesa Chapter

Planning Meeting Agenda

March 13, 2023

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Invocation
3. Reading & Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 06, 2022:

Motion: 2nd: VOTE:

1. Adoption of Agenda

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1. Announcements:
2. COVID-19 vaccinations continue at I.H.S. Clinics
3. Introductions of Resolutions and Brief Reports:
4. Council Delegate, Germaine Simonson
5. Grazing Official, Francis Honie
6. CSC, Albert Lee
7. Call to the Public
8. BM Veteran’s Organization, Richard Claw
9. CLUPC, Dorothy R Yazzie
10. Chapter Officers
11. Others: 1) Fern Benally, Navajo County Supervisor

2) Sierra Wilcox, SW Navajo Tobacco Prevention

1. Updates on Chapter Ongoing Chapter Projects: Information only.
2. N8066 Road Construction Phase III & Permanent Bridges –Additional archaeology field work was completed, and cultural resources report is also completed. NDOT has completed their review and prepared a letter for FHWA to review, sign, and submit along with the revised report to Navajo HHPD for their review and compliance. NDOT will complete a separate EA report for new bridge and addendum to original EA report. NDOT will submit EA report to BIA Regional Office once an addendum to CRCF (cultural report) is completed. Dibble Engineering draft ROW documents and needs completed EA and FONSI before submitting ROW package to BIA and Navajo Nation for approval.

Dept. of Project Management of NDOT conducted a cultural resources survey for 28 temporary construction easements, five staging areas, chapter area, chapter access road and N8065 bridge. Cultural Resources Narrative Report was submitted to Navajo HHPD in March 2022 and waiting to receive compliance by May 2022.

The N8065 road and bridge, chapter house turnout, and parking lot will need additional funding of $7.75 million. Two bridges and chapter access road might become stand-alone projects if no additional funds are secured.

1. Black Mesa East Valley-Yale Point Waterline Extension – The Chapter needs to work on bathroom additions for some homes as priority.
2. Black Mesa North Valley Waterline Extension – Same Information from Item B.
3. N8065 Low Water Crossing –The total construction funds available is $1,793,515.23. Currently contractor has started working on the crossing.
4. Black Mesa Veterans Building – Approved allocations of $144,000 from Sihasin Funds for Planning/ Predesigning, groundwork, and Architecture/Engineering and $480,000 for construction. Still need additional $1,400,000 for construction.
5. N8065 Crossing (S-Curve) –NDOT has discussed with Navajo County on the possibility of the County funding both drainage study, including obtaining 401/404 permits and the purchase of recommended culverts.
6. Resolutions:
7. BMC-23-03-039:
8. BMC-23-03-040:
9. BMC-23-03-041:
10. BMC-23-03-042
11. BMC-23-03-043:
12. BMC-23-03-044:

Motioned to Forward All Resolutions to Regular Chapter Meeting:

Seconded by: VOTE:

1. Adjournment

TENTATIVE: Next Chapter Meeting: Monday, March 20 2023 @ 3:00 m

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