

Black Mesa Chapter
Planning Meeting Agenda
April 3, 2023

I. Meeting Called to Order

A. Invocation

B. Reading & Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2022:

Motion: 2nd: VOTE:

C. Adoption of Agenda

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D. Announcements:

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2. 4/6/2023 – Dziłyijiin Regional Council Meeting
3. 4/8/2023 – Chinle Agency Council Meeting

II. Introductions of Resolutions and Brief Reports:

- A. Council Delegate, Germaine Simonson
- B. Grazing Official, Francis Honie
- C. CSC, Albert Lee
- D. Call to the Public
- E. BM Veteran's Organization, Richard Claw
- F. CLUPC, Dorothy R Yazzie
- G. Chapter Officers
- H. Others: 1)
2)

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IV. Resolutions:

- A. BMC-23-04-051:
- B. BMC-23-04-052:
- C. BMC-23-04-053:
- D. BMC-23-04-054:
- E. BMC-23-04-055:
- F. BMC-23-04-056:

Motioned to Forward All Resolutions to Regular Chapter Meeting:

Seconded by:

VOTE:

V. Adjournment

TENTATIVE: Next Chapter Meeting: Monday, April 10, 20 2023 @ 3:00 m

Next Planning Meeting: Monday, May 01, 2023 @ 3:00 pm

SIGN IN SHEET

CHAPTER: BLACK MESA (KITS'ILILI)

TYPE OF MEETING: Planning Meeting

DATE: 04/03/23

1. President-	<i>[Signature]</i>	27.
2. Vice-President	<i>Lynn Neave</i>	28.
3. Sec/Treasurer-	<i>Melene Seta</i>	29.
4. Council Delegate-		30.
5. Grazing Committee-	<i>[Signature]</i>	31.
6. CSC-	<i>all but two</i>	32.
7.	<i>Dorly R. Young</i>	33.
8.	<i>Ellen Tallis</i>	34.
9.	<i>Jane m Baloo</i>	35.
10.	<i>Lucy Jane</i>	36.
11.	<i>Helena Wilson</i>	37.
12.	<i>Wilson Horv</i>	38.
13.	<i>Alqui E Boko</i>	39.
14.	<i>Nadine Narindrakura</i>	40.
15.	<i>Marcos Sells NDOT</i>	41.
16.	<i>Jim Chue</i>	42.
17.	<i>Clare Tallis, Sr</i>	43.
18.	<i>Deyton Sage</i>	44.
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BLACK MESA (KITS'IILI CHAPTER GOVERNMENT

MEETING REPORT FORM "FY 2023"

(X) PLANNING MTG () SPECIAL MTG () REGULAR MTG
CHAPTER: BLACK MESA (KITS'IILI) AGENCY: CHINLE DISTRICT: #04

DATE: April 03, 2023 TIME: 3:00pm QUORUM: yes

CHAPTER OFFICIALS	SOCIAL SECURITY #	PRESENT / ABSENT	ONLY CGDD
PRESIDENT: LARRY BILTAH	4102	Present	
VICE PRESIDENT LYNN DEAN	9331	Present	
SECRETARY/TREASURER MARLENE BILTAH	2859	Present	
COUCIL DELEGATE GERMAINE SIMONSON			
GRAZING/LAND BOARD FRANCIS HONIE	3082	Present	
CHAPTER COORDINATOR ALBERT LEE			

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS:

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AGENDA:

I. MTG CALL TO ORDER, INV. MINUTES/AGENGDA REVIEW APPROVAL: II. REPORTS: III OLD BUSINESS:
IV. NEW BUSINESS: V. REQUISITIONS: VI. RESOLUTIONS: VII ADJOURNMENT.


PRESIDENT SIGNATURE

COUNCIL DELEGATE SIGNATURE


VICE PRESIDENT SIGNATURE


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GRAZING/LAND BOARD SIGNATURE

NEXT: PLANNING MEETING
NEXT: REGULAR MEETING

DATE _____ TIME _____ AM/PM
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I. Meeting Called to Order by Larry Biltah at 3:46 pm.

A. Invocation provided by Dorothy R Yazzie.

B. Reading & Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2022:

Motion: Albert Lee 2nd: Lynn Dean VOTE: 05-00-00

C. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: Lynn Dean 2nd: Marlene Biltah VOTE: 05-00-00

D. Announcements:

1. COVID-19 vaccinations continue at I.H.S. Clinics
2. 4/5/2023 – District 4 Grazing Officials Meeting @ Pinon NPL, 9am
3. 4/6/2023 – Dzilyjiin Regional Council Meeting @ Blue Gap Chapter, 9am
4. 4/7/2023 – Chinle Agency Grazing Officials Meeting @ Blue Gap Chapter, 9am
5. 4/8/2023 – Chinle Agency Council Meeting @ Lukachukai Chapter, 9am

II. Introductions of Resolutions and Brief Reports:

A. Council Delegate, Germaine Simonson – Absent. Nadine Narindrankura, LDA give a brief reports.

1. Meeting held on 3/30/23 by Delegate Simonson with five chapters focused on chapter's community transportation plans.
2. Delegate Simonson like to reactivate all chapter' emergency response plans and she is scheduling a 3-day training for chapters, up to five young community members are invited. She will meet with NHA on providing vacant houses for emergency shelters.
3. Delegate Simonson is trying to contact Peter Littlehat for updated waterline projects but no response from Mr. Littlehat; also trying to reach Richard Begay of Navajo NPD.
4. Also she is planning to meet with Raymond Maxx of NHLC for updates on NPL issues.

Comments:

1. Ella Tallis talked about recent snow storm which created hardship for residents of Yale Point Valley; deep snow was very difficult to walk in. Dept. of Emergency Management requested for pre-planning for helipad for helicopter.
2. Dorothy R Yazzie said the chapter's emergency plan should be utilized and asked who are all on the CERT; also need a communication by chapter officials and administration.
3. Helena Nelson expressed her disappointment on how some people being so disrespectful and ungrateful towards chapter administration and officials during the period of emergency declaration.
4. Larry Biltah talked about assistances (food, hay) made by chapter administration and officers and BMCS assisted with hauling, sorting and distributing food; snow removal made by NDOT, BIA Roads and Peabody Coal Co.
5. Lynn Dean said communication between chapter officials/administration and NDOT, BIA Roads, and Dept. of Emergency Management were done by cell phone and/or emails.
6. Marlene Biltah expressed a need to review and update the chapter emergency response plans.

- B. Grazing Official, Francis Honie
 - 1. He talked about community people being harsh to chapter officials and workers; and should be more careful with their words.
 - 2. He distributed a notice to the public regarding livestock trespassing on NPL. He strongly disagreed with the notice which he feels is very unsensitive to livestock owners. He was never got contact or involved with decision made by Navajo Dept. of Agriculture. Who's going to enforce it?
 - 3. Heirship Application due have to extended to September 2023. Decisions on permits is. still up in the air

- C. CSC, Albert Lee
 - 1. He talked about flooding near residents at Sliding Rock area.
 - 2. CLUPC meeting on April 13, 2023.
 - 3. Home Site Lease Applications submitted by Juanita Small, Sanya Rose and Tanya Rose.
 - 4. ARPA Housing – needs estimates for modular housing.
 - 5. Earth Day is this month.
 - 6. Hay - 400 bales were delivered recently and been giving them to local livestock owners that got tally counts done.
 - 7. AMS will be attending MIP training on April 24-27, 2023.

- D. Call to the Public – Mostly talked about their experiences during the emergency declaration.
 - 1. Lori Chee of Sliding Rock expressed her concerns on floods within her and grandmother's resident during the rain and snow storms. Every year it happens and do not get any help from the chapter. She is requesting the Chapter for assistance by diverting the water flow away from their residents or replace the two culverts. She has disabled daughter that needs constant care medically and physically.

- E. BM Veteran's Organization, Richard Claw – Absent.

- F. CLUPC, Dorothy R Yazzie participated in discussions on resolutions and reports.

- G. Chapter Officers participated in discussions on introduction of resolutions and official reports.

- H. Others:
 - 1. Fern Benally, Navajo County Supervisor – Absent.

 - 2. Marco Sells, NDOT
 - a. Briefly talked about chapter's priority listing of road projects which is very important to make decisions on funds.
 - b. N8065 S-Curve Crossing – Navajo County to do drainage analysis, designing and obtaining 401 and 404 permits. The cost estimate is \$155,000. Will need additional funds for construction.

- c. N8065 Low Water Crossing – Currently being worked on; changed to box culvert instead of low water crossing. The cement is being used to create 6'x4' box culvert. The cost of project is \$1.4 million.
- d. N8066/N8065 Road Construction - \$17 million is available. Need additional funding for arch bridge (\$3.7 million), bridge to N8065 (\$8 million) and chapter access road and parking lot (\$2.5 million).
- e. BIA Roads and NDOT have planned previously to work on N8066, down the mountain to Rough Rock but due to continuous snow storms has halted the plan. It will be pick up again by both BIA and NDOT during the summer.

Discussions and Comments:

- 1) Dorothy R Yazzie and Marlene Biltah recommending to separate the N8066/N8065 Road Projects: Pavement from EOP to BMCS with available \$17 Million and Arch Bridge which estimated at \$3.77 million. It would be more quicker to pave Route N8066 and arch bridge. The chapter needs to advocate for \$3.77 million. The bridge to N8065 and chapter access road and parking lot can be stand-alone projects.
- 2) Marco Sells said it's about \$3.5 million to pave 1 mile and cost are increasing every year. He said he will check on a Bridge Program Funds if arch bridge is eligible to be considered.

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IV. Resolutions:

- A. BMC-23-04-051: Reaffirm the opposition to new Hiership Application for Redistribution of Grazing Permit in NPL Area.
- B. BMC-23-04-052: Approve Chapter Scholarship Assistance for Sarrah Wagner and Jamal Yellowhair.
- C. BMC-23-04-053: Approved Chapter Housing Discretionary Assistance for Louise Yellowhair.
- D. BMC-23-04-054: Approving the BM Chapter Road Project Priority Listing
- E. BMC-23-04-055: Requesting to BM Chapter Administration to have heavy equipment operator to redirect the water flow in Sliding Rock area on route N8066.
- F. BMC-23-04-056: Approve \$200.00 to purchase food for BM Chapter CLUPC meeting on April 13, 2023 with Navajo County, Apache County, NTUA, BIA NPL, Navajo HPD, Navajo Fish/Wildlife and chapter officials.

Motioned to Forward All Resolutions to Regular Chapter Meeting: Marlene Biltah
Seconded by: Lynn Dean VOTE: 05-00-00

V. The meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm. Motioned: Albert Lee 2nd: Lynn Dean VOTE: 05-00-00

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Next Chapter Meeting: Monday, May 15, 2023 @ 3:00 pm



Marlene Biltah, Chapter Secretary/Treasurer