

Tse Alnaozti'i' Chapter

March Regular Chapter Meeting Minutes

by Teleconference & In Person Limit of 25 persons

March 9, 2022

4 p.m.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:07 p.m. by President Haskie

Elouise Brown: Before you start, I want to say something. Did you guys give the 48-hr. notice.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: Yes, we did on Sunday.

Elouise Brown: What and how did you announce the meeting?

President Haskie: It was announced at the Planning Meeting on Sunday.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: Announcement was on Sunday, the 6th at the Planning Meeting. All documents were received and official notice was sent out on Monday. You were included in that email as well Elouise. I can forward it back to you. It was announced on Facebook and through our text message service.

Elouise Brown: Well, how did you inform the elders?

President Haskie: I don't think we have, as you know, most of the communication is through the phone and in person. I don't think this question about informing the elders, has come up before.

Elouise Brown: But I'd like to make a motion to cancel this meeting because it's too short of a notice. Your agenda is inaccurate. Those items that were tabled, they are not on the agenda.

Tommy Nakai: I second that motion.

President Haskie: We haven't even started the meeting yet. Those that are tabled, were they submitted? Those who sponsor put it back on the agenda.

Elouise Brown: The resolution about the increase of the profit sharing from NNOGC.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: Yes, the sponsor requested that, that resolution not be presented at any further chapter meetings.

Elouise Brown: Well, that's my motion to cancel. If you want it done right, you can reschedule your chapter meeting and give more notice.

POINT OF ORDER called by Vice-President Henderson @ 4:10 pm.

Vice-President Henderson: The meeting hasn't even started and you want things to be done correctly. It's already not going in the right direction. Need to follow the agenda right.

Christine Benally: I want to second that.

President Haskie: Second what? Gerald's statement?

Motion overruled- President Haskie advised to continue to meeting.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of Officials

President: Jeanne Haskie- PRESENT

Vice-President: Gerald Henderson- PRESENT

Secretary/Treasurer: Jourdan Washburn- PRESENT

Grazing Member: Alonzo Cohoe- PRESENT

Council Delegate: Amber Crotty- ABSENT

Roll Call of Audience:

2 REGISTERED VOTERS- IN PERSON

12 REGISTERED VOTERS- VIA ZOOM TELECOMMUNICATIONS

4 NON-REGISTERED VOTERS

III. INVOCATION

Invocation given by Vice-President Henderson.

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Kori Tso

Second by Harrison Barber

Elouise Brown: I still would like to cancel the meeting because there wasn't enough notice or time of the notice. Your agenda is inaccurate. It needs to be done right; else it was to be done corrected. When I requested the special meeting on the 13th, you said that was when the chapter meeting was, so we changed the special meeting to the 12th. Original was the 20th and then to 13th and now to the 9th. Tell us why you changed it.

President Haskie: Thank you for asking, first of all, we give a 48-hr. notice according to the policy, which we did. The agenda is not incomplete. I just talked to you and asked you to reschedule the special meeting because I cancelled it. It's a big safety concern. You asked people from the outside to come to that meeting and that was not okay. We only wanted the community members. The last meeting, there were people from somewhere else, with flags and we were not comfortable with that. We don't want all these other people involved who don't speak right. That's what I explained to you. I am worried about the safety of the people; they are worried for themselves. This is what I asked of you, to reschedule to another date with just the people here.

Elouise Brown: Okay, who said that? Tell me who they are.

President Haskie: I am not going to tell you names, there are quite a few. Some state these on Facebook and say that. They're blasting away and that's okay. I talked to you about this, this morning. Even people from Oklahoma were going to come down.

Elouise Brown: Who is coming from Oklahoma?

President Haskie: I am not going to tell you, this is what is being told to me. I know you are the one who sent a notice to KNDN, inviting everyone to the meeting, not just people of Sanostee. I heard that myself and that's not okay. Then I was told you did that yourself as well. I asked for a different date, just for this community.

Elouise Brown: Who is saying that? Who?

President Haskie: Elouise, I talked with you yesterday about this whole thing. You listened to me. We are not going to sit here and go back and forth. We gave a 48-hr. notice.

Elouise Brown: Let me say one thing and then I can go off the line. Whoever is telling you, you shouldn't listen to gossip. I didn't speak from the radio station, that is a lie. You aren't telling us who is coming from Oklahoma. The people are coming, we are having our own meeting, a press conference and a potluck after the meeting. I don't know why you guys are afraid. We are not here to cause trouble; we want to resolve this. You are not listening to us, just like I told you earlier. It's still one-sided. You guys are leaving us no choice, doing what you want. It's not how you should represent the people. I am asking all four of you, think about the people. You are not listening to the people. The people who don't want helium need to be listened to. I already asked you to cancel this meeting and you aren't listening. If you listen to both sides, then you would listen to me.

Vice-President Henderson: This meeting raised a big concern. There was a lot of safety issues that came up. You want things done right, to be listened to, it's hard to do that because we don't know who was going to be there. I was worried about the elders and their safety. That's why I explained to President Haskie, we have to think about all those. We had seen on Facebook, they wanted to throw fireworks at the officials. How is that okay? It was a safety concern. That's why we all agreed. All the procedures are stated in Title 26 and that's what was done. All the helium resolutions were taken off the agenda.

Do it right you say, but you had a Medicine Man person here doing inappropriate singings. That's why I am asking you do things right as well.

Motion overruled- President Haskie advised to continue to with reading of the agenda.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read the agenda into record.

Elouise Brown: Do you guys have a quorum?

Secretary/ Treasurer Washburn: Yes, ma'am we do.

Elouise Brown: What is the quorum?

Secretary/ Treasurer Washburn: According to DOJ guidelines, we are in the 3 minimum quorum. In person we have 9 voters in person and online are 16 voters. So, we do meet quorum of 3 or more.

Christine Benally: Under the old business, all tabled items need to be on there. I am talking, I am being interrupted. Also, there is not mention of the Special Meeting. That was cancelled without any notice. Those are the issues about the agenda. Those should be added. Or at least place them on the agenda.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: Those resolutions were requested to be on the special meeting and the Chapter President authorization to cancel the meeting due to safety concerns. Ms. Brown was informed to reschedule that meeting, so if she choses to reschedule the meeting, it will be taken into consideration. At the planning meeting as well, the resolutions were not requested to stay on the agenda. Just as the resolution supporting helium was not requested to be on the agenda.

Christine Benally: They don't have to be requested if they are old items. They're old business.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: Elouise requested not to put those on a regular chapter meeting. So that was honored. That is why those are not included at this chapter meeting.

Christine Benally: Then it should be deferred.

Secretary/ Treasurer Washburn: No because she didn't want them on a regular chapter meeting.

Christine Benally: Your responsibility to keep the record of where they are.

Alshanna John: May I be added the roll call please?

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: You are added to the roll call.

President Haskie requested to continue with voting on the agenda.

Alexandra Blackie: Requesting to be added to roll call.

JonTy Silago: Requesting to be added to roll call.

Memberships vote 14 (9 in person and 5 online) in favor, 4 (0 in person and 4 online) opposed and 1 (1 in person and 0 online) abstained to accept the agenda.

Michael Goldsun: I was trying to vote against the agenda but was having technical difficulties. Also, Elouise presented a motion against the agenda, why was that motion not honored.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: I have concluded voting; your vote will not be included. The second question, I will defer to President Haskie.

President Haskie: The meeting was scheduled at the planning and the 48-hr. notice was done. That's how the meeting was scheduled. To cancel in the middle of it, you can't do that. You've worked with the chapter. You just can't call it off at the last minutes. We are following proper protocol.

Michael Goldsun: Can I respond?

President Haskie requested to continue with the agenda.

V. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES.

Secretary/ Treasurer Washburn read the minutes into the record. Hard copies were disbursed to in person membership. Minutes available at chapter office, on sanostee website and Facebook before meeting as well. Requested by email was also sent out.

Motion By Harrison Barber

Second by Kori Tso

Harrison Barber: With my motion, need one correction on Page 7, 2nd sentence, should say individuals.

Memberships vote 16 (10 in person and 6 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 3 (2 in person and 1 online) abstained to accept the minutes.

Elouise Brown: I'd like to make a request to keep the special meeting on the 12th at 10 am, like stated in the minutes. I make a motion.

Tommy Nakai: I second that.

President Haskie: That is a request I already talked to you about it and change to another date, not the 12th. We are off the agenda.

Motion overruled- President Haskie advised to continue and stay on agenda.

Elouise Brown: I asked you for an email, to put that in writing. I am still waiting.

President Haskie: It's already been sent to you.

Elouise Brown: There is not email. What email address did you send it to?

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: thebrownmachine

Elouise Brown: Okay, I'll check in the spam and junk mail.

VI. GUEST SPEAKER(S). NONE.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution No. TAT-22-03-29. ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2022 WITH ATTACHMENT A & B.** *Sponsor: Chapter Administration & Officials*

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Harrison Barber

Secretary/ Treasurer Washburn and read financial reports with attachment A & B.: Budget to Actual, Revenue and Expenditures and Balance Sheet to membership. Reports were provided to membership by paper document, Zoom and Facebook live.

Harrison Barber: I think you skipped PEP.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: Yes, I realize that. Gave expenditure amount and balance of Fund 15.

Memberships vote 15 (10 in person and 5 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 3 (2 in person and 1 online) abstained to accept the resolution and financial reporting.

2. **Resolution No. TAT-22-03-30. AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. TAT-21-08-74 TO CORRECT THE FUNDING AMOUNT TO \$115,000.00 AND REMOVE FOUR NAMES OFF THE LISTING.** *Sponsor: Chapter Administration & Officials*

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Kori Tso

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read the resolution into record.

No Discussion

Memberships vote 18 (10 in person and 8 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 3 (3 in person) abstained to accept the resolution

IX. REPORT(S):

1. Council Delegate, Amber Crotty- Not present on the call.
2. Community Health Representative, Berlinda Dickson

Berlinda reported. Last month, I told Jourdan I would make the report this month. COVID is slowing down and the statistics are what I go by. I gave you the website and information to see the numbers. We were told to start taking vitals again. Even meetings, I can do screening to make sure you aren't sick.

They are lifting our restrictions. I do a lot of Health Education. Every month we have different topics but because of COVID we haven't been able to. This month, Colorectal Cancer, I'll be doing education on that. Also, kidney health education on what you should be eating for the health of your kidneys. Also, eye care for this month. As of 02/22/2022, Health Command releases a Hotspot List every week and as of the 22nd, Sanostee was taken off the listing. You are doing a good job but doesn't mean to run around without your mask. That's for your safety. Continue being safe and distance yourself from others. It's still active. CHR Office, I get a delivery from Phoenix and have a lot of masks. I have sanitizer too but they are starting to expire. COVID 19 is going down and I am not having to report so much on it. I am doing a lot of referrals now. Working with Road Committee and Senior Center. Elders are wanting meals to be delivered. I am probably going to somehow help and collaborate because the center van is down. There has been elders who need firewood and I work with them to get firewood. They are aware of the costs and make it work. I also do go to Shiprock Chapter and they have firewood and coal. Some of my high risk, I had to go out there. I've been confronted by some community members, as a CHR, what kind of trainings do you have, you just drive around and come to us to tell us things? I told them, I do a lot of trainings, I had to renew my sexual harassment training, even my food handlers too. They expire every year to two years. I do have to get a background check as a CHR. People do confront me about these things. I do have a CNA license. I follow my scope of work. I want to say a big Thank you to Jourdan. Northern Navajo Medical Center provides COVID numbers. I wasn't aware until she told. She is printing these out for the people. I caught COVID and I know I was one of those numbers. When I showed them at our staff meetings, they were surprised that we had this here. Home tests kits too, I was questioned about that and carrying them around. I check them out from the office first and hand them out based upon symptoms a person may have. I work closely with the Administration and the Officials. The Chapter is working on the ramp program and before I would request assistance but not until now are they moving forward. I see these ramps that are being built. A lot of my high risk are being helped. I am looking forward to the rest being done. The PEP workers did a good job and people are very thankful. As of 03/07, they pulled me out of Mexican Water and Gadiiahi. I am glad they switched us around. I will be taking care of Sanostee and Burnham. I witnessed the bridge ceremony; I am thankful and glad the people are getting this. Sometimes I have to drive around to get home. Thank you for my office at the Chapter, the electric is back on. Even though the first day, my office wasn't back on. It got fixed right away. Thank you for the office.

Vice-President Henderson: What's going on with the Home Delivery? There is no van? What is Frank doing about that?

Berlinda Dickson: I really don't know. I know it's down. You can probably ask Frank. I am going to help them; I think there is 35+ clients that get Home Delivery, that I can try and fit into my schedule to help. I am willing to help if they need it. A lot of these families do not have the help.

3. Grazing Official, Alonzo Cohoe

Alonzo reported. We did do to many homesite leases. Now a lot of times, is just questions as far as texting and phone calls about homesite leases. Also, about grazing permit transfer too. I got a record from last month, the total amount of grazing permits, 200 listed. There is another list from last year, there are other names in there too. There are 6 more that I found not on these 200 lists.

There are lot of name changes, probate haven't been done. I've only seen one from 2000 that I worked on, barely getting completed. Those who family members who have passed away, who had the permit, call me and ask me about it. Let's find out what we need to do for you. We can find out where the permits are. We did tally counts from October to now, for the AIF, only half signed up. Some of those who applied, didn't have permits and they are eligible for this. I went to Decker and was told; I need to buy a mixture of the hay. So, there is alfalfa, grass and triticale that we will be buying. Once we know for sure, we will let everyone know. Our meetings were all in person but it's lately been a mixture of both. Like Berlinda said, Scope of Work, I am doing my duties based upon that. Field clearance, tally counts and working with other departments for those. Like upcoming projects, we get requests to get consents.

4. Tse Alnaozti'i Veterans Organization

Leo Billey reported. Top of the hour news, I just heard on the radio. There was a man at the airport, he had lizards in his pockets, clothes and luggage. Even in other areas, they found lizards. There was a special meeting on 02/23/2022 at San Juan College. Navajo Medicine Man Traditional for the Veterans. It was told, there is no money for it. Former VCO Officer came in and said, the money expired. Carl Haven was taking care of that in Tucson. You guys should go over and ask for the money, so Veterans can get medicine man coverage. It was agreed. Northern Agency Veterans Meeting was scheduled for 03/11/2022, but it was moved to 03/05/2022. Delegate Kee Allen Begay came and spoke to the council. We were also told that the Carryover Budget was \$607,660.00 was announced to be under Northern Agency. The money was to be split between each Chapter Veterans Organization. Now, looking at the email, it's going to go straight to Northern Agency. It would have been \$31,982.00 to each Chapter Veterans Organization but now it's not going that direction. It was going to be split for supplies, traditional healing, honor/color guard, programs, burial assistance, hardship, energy, self help and housing assistance. I was going to hold a special meeting tomorrow; we will cancel that. We are having another meeting at the college, at 1 pm, pertaining to this money for FY 20 and FY 21. Thank you, Chapter officials, for approving the 4-million-dollar bridge. It's a much-needed bridge.

President Haskie: Talking about the bridge, it was discussed quite some time ago. We are all very thankful for the progress that's been done. It's gone through many chapters leadership to get this done. Thank you to all and those who voted on resolutions for it.

5. Chapter Update

Secretary/ Treasurer Washburn reported.

- i. Grading: The operator is working on Sanostee Bus routes. Second will be the main BIA routes. We had some people come in about 5012, we explained to them where the operator was at. Sanostee Headstart and Day School go to front doors, CCSD, SASI and Tohaali use the main BIA routes. People are also asking, can the Tribe come out and grade the roads? Navajo DOT and BIA are not available, they are on other priority projects. It is currently up to the Chapter to take care of the roads.
- ii. Public Employment Program: We are currently advertising for the past week for a Custodian, Office Assistance, 3 carpenters, heavy equipment operator and records clerk. We have 7 positions that are available. The ending date is Friday, the 11th and applications need to be in by 5 pm. Please share with those looking for employment.

- iii. Upcoming Budgets: We have two budgets. Money coming for the Navajo Nation. 1st budget is the Healthy Dine Nation Act Food Tax- Junk food tax, our chapter is getting \$11,158.00. The money is only used for health and wellness improvement in the community. This includes Zumba classes, exercise equipment, traditional food workshops, etc. 2nd budget is the Navajo Nation Sales Tax and our chapter is getting \$43,256.00. This can be used for heavy equipment repair and maintenance, diesel fuel and even community projects. We plan to get a garden set up here at the Chapter, where elders can pick up produce. We are going to be sending out the information about these budgets. We are asking for suggestions, according to those guidelines, what we should spend that funding on.
- iv. Trash Dumping Forum: We have scheduled a “Let’s talk Trash” public forum. We encourage people to let us know the dumping sites. Take pictures, bring the location, we want to see where these are all located. Come up with suggestions and ideas to fix the problem.

Leo Billey: What happened to the Chapter Road numbers? It just stopped down by Table Mesa, turn off to my house. All the others are blank. I don’t know if they ran out of equipment or no money. This is going on 3 years. Also, Council Delegate, what’s our snow report from the mountain? We miss that report, going on 3 years without it. How much snow pack do we have up there? It used to be pretty heavy for livestock owners and then you can gauge for the summer. They used to look from Narbona Pass to Big Valley measuring the snow. Then they were giving the report, now it’s nothing.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: To answer your first question, every year we put in our budget to complete it. The equipment is here, including the residential numbers. But no applies for the job, for the past two years. We are going to advertise this spring again, hopefully we can find two people for a month.

President Haskie: We don’t know about the other one, we can ask our Council Delegate about the mountain snow.

Leo Billey: The incoming revenue, how is that being split up? I know it was supposed to go to the Veterans.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: In the resolution we passed, 50% of incoming revenue to operating, 25% to septic cleaning and 25% to Veterans Organization. I don’t have the exact breakdown but I can get it to you here in a bit.

6. Sanostee Day School Board Member

Phyllis Todacheene reported. The school has 35 students enrolled. 5 are served in special ed program. The school is in person learning, masks are required for students and staff. They are still following all the CDC guidelines. When they go into virtual learning to on-site, the school reporting plan, they follow that. One student was tested COVID 19 positive by the parent last week in February. Student was isolated and was due to return. All students have laptops and Wi-Fi for virtual or remote learning. Temperatures are continuously taken when they board the bus. Parents are encouraged to not send their kids to school if they are sick. There are no major student discipline problems at the school. Personnel was, recently there was a hiring of elementary teacher, business technician and one special ed teacher. The backgrounds checks are a timely process and that’s what makes the hold up happen. On March 2nd, BIE held interview session for the School Principal.

They will make the selection, until a new principal comes, Dr. Johnson will remain the acting principal. This is a primary instruction. They are very structured. Students will be taking the following assessment: WEBA NEWA, PARKS, BIE-ELA Math Assessment. 20 students are participating in the 21-century, after school program. The gifted and talented education will be starting. Teachers are nominating students, following the CFR criteria. The school budget is maintained with no over expenditures. Sanostee school still has a large of CARES and ARPA Funds available to be spent. The spending plans are in place and should be utilized as soon as the plans are place. Parents/ Principal meeting is once a month and they are online, virtual only. Next meeting is 03/22/2022 at 1 pm. Spring Break is 03/14 to 3/18, school will be closed. 21st century enrichment program is open to all interested students. Last day of school is May 18, 2022. School board is not functioning due to lack of quorum. I get all my information from the acting principal. Thank you.

7. Sanostee Headstart Teacher- Present during roll call but not able to speak on Zoom.
8. Newcomb Elementary Principal- Not present on the call.
9. Central Consolidated School District School Board Member- Not present on the call.

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Edward Yazzie

Jennifer Curley reported for Sanostee Headstart, back on the line. Currently have 6 students in the class. Need to enroll 9 more. 2 on waiting list and recruited 2 more students. Fully staffed. 1 student does virtual learning, on Microsoft Teams. We have large group everyday from 9 to 9:30. The rest are in person. Currently we do not have our bus running yet until personal action forms are complete and bus drivers get their permit. Next week, March 14th to 18th, we will be on spring break. We will have our local parent meeting after spring break.

Memberships vote 14 (11 in person and 3 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 2 (2 in person) abstained to accept the reports.

X. NEXT MEETING:

1. April 2022 Planning Meeting: **04/03/2022 @ 1 pm**
2. April 2022 Regular Chapter Meeting: **04/17/2022 @ 1 pm**

XI. CONCLUSION OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. March 9, 2022- Road Committee Meeting
2. March 13, 2022- Veterans Organization Meeting
3. March 15, 2022- CLUPC Meeting
4. March 16, 2022- "Let's talk Trash" Public Forum
5. March 19, 2022- Northern Agency Council Meeting
6. March 19, 2022- Pet Vaccination Drive up Clinic
7. March 19, 2022- Ranchers Roundtable/Permittee Meeting

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Gerald Henderson

Second by Alonzo Cohoe

Memberships vote 10 in person- Voting interrupted.

Christine Benally: Hold on, the Special meeting, is it still on the 12th? Some of us voted for it. It was only communicated to one person and some of us still want to have the meeting. We still want it.

President Haskie: Do you have a date?

Christine Benally: Keep it the same date.

President Haskie: I already indicated the 12th is out of the question, but I did ask for a different date because too many people informed that are going to be here, are not from here. Due to the safety, we cancelled that meeting. I asked for another date, with just this this community. Only should be for this community.

Christine Benally: The next day, on the 13th? It shouldn't take to long, only one item on the agenda.

President Haskie: There is a TVO meeting on that day. It's conflict with the schedule.

Christine Benally: Then schedule it for 10 am.

President Haskie: I am asking for a different date.

Vice-President Henderson: The meeting was adjourned. Finish the voting.

President Haskie: Christine, you have to come up with a date.

President Haskie advised to continue with completing the vote of adjournment.

Memberships vote 15 in favor (10 in person and 5 online), 0 opposed and 2 (2 in person) abstained to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Submitted by: Secretary/ Treasurer Jourdan Washburn:  on 03/21/2022.

Chapter Administration Rec'vd: _____

