

Christine Benally: It's not even in court. To remove a vice-commander, it doesn't involve the court. Just look at his criminal history.

President Haskie: The veterans organization make that decision, because they vote him in. However, I don't think he is in there anymore. They replaced him already because he missed over 3 meetings. He's not an officer anymore.

Tommy Nakai: I agree with Christine and second her request. At least say we don't support people do that.

President Haskie: First, legally, let them handle that first. We are not going to do anything, no action on this one.

Christine Benally: That's not up to you, lets vote on it. I am not withdrawing my amendment.

President Haskie: The officials here, we need to consider your action against your relative with the Police. It just happened.

Christine Benally: I just said, this has been escalating since 2018.

Vice-President Henderson: Let's vote on the agenda in front of us.

Christine Benally: I stand on voting on the agenda with my amendment.

Darlene Smith: I'd like to say, the amendment request needs to go to the Police Department. I substitute motion to keep agenda as is with no amendment.

Substitute Motion by Darlene Smith Second by Gerald Henderson

President Haskie read standing agenda into record.

No additions or deletions advised by President Haskie.

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

V. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JUNE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read minutes into the record.

Motion by Darlene Smith Second by Alonzo Cohoe

No Discussion or corrections.

Memberships vote 7 (6 in person and 1 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to accept the minutes.

VI. GUEST SPEAKER(S): NONE

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Resolution No. TAT-22-07-47. AN ACT APPROVING THE COMMUNITY LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE PLAN OF OPERATION.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution and Plan of Operation into record.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Darlene Smith Second by Kori Tso

Memberships vote 7 (7 in person) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

I. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution No. TAT-22-07-48. ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2022 WITH ATTACMENT A & B.

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.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Kori Tso Second by Gerald Henderson

Memberships vote 7 (7 in person) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

2. Resolution No. TAT-22-07-49. ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE NAVAJO NATION GENERAL FUND SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,721.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution and Budget forms into record.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Suzette Haskie

Memberships vote 10 (7 in person and 3 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

3. **Resolution No. TAT-22-07-50.** AN ACT REQUESTING NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL AND NAVAJO NATION OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT TO PROVIDE CONTINUOUS ANNUAL SUMMER YOUTH FUNDING TO THE 110 NAVAJO NATION CHAPTERS.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution into record.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Freddie Mark

Second by Kori Tso

Memberships vote 8 (7 in person and 1 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

4. **Resolution No. TAT-22-07-51.** AN ACT AMENDENDING THE PROJECT APPLICATION FOR THE SUMMER YOUTH SUPERVISOR POSITION

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution and Budget into record.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Darlene Smith

Memberships vote 11 (7 in person and 4 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution.

5. **Resolution No. TAT-22-07-52.** AN ACT AMENDENDING THE PROJECT APPLICATION FOR THE CARPENTER SUPERVISOR AND THREE CARPENTER POSITIONS.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn read resolution and Budget into record.

No discussion or changes.

Motion by Gerald Henderson

Second by Alonzo Cohoe

Memberships vote 9 (7 in person and 2 online) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to approve the resolution

II. REPORT(S):

1. Council Delegate, Amber Crotty

Delegate Crotty reported. So, I do have a written report that I could send out. When it's finalized, but, Madam Chair, what I wanted to speak about my last report provided to the Northern Agency, provided an outline of all the legislations that we're going through the Council that deals predominantly with money, so that the chapters can have transparency on what's being allocated. Last two weeks ago, the Council did pass legislation 0086-22. That was called the ARPA funding for \$1.07 billion. And in that legislation, there was funding for housing, veterans housing, finishing the rural addressing across Navajo nation. Improving cyber security. Bathroom additions and local water ad powerline projects. Funding for broadband. In addition, there was some funding for Department of Health. For their COVID response and for the chapters, there is an opportunity for the chapters. It's going to be approximately like \$8.2 million per legislative district. So, for our district was seven chapters. It's going to be just about \$1,000,000. Chapter is going to be able to propose projects, on these projects, they still need to be ARPA eligible. The challenge is they still need to be signed off by the Division Director, Dr. Pearl Yellowman. We can submit for any projects that you submitted to the portal and that were not funded. We also can look at services needed to address an emergency. Some suggestions have been maybe larger generator. If the power goes out. We also tend to work with the CHR and the senior center program if they need additional supply or senior program needs any type of facility upgrade. They never stood down. You also have your ALERT Building. I could think about what would be your emergency response, those are eligible items. It is my understanding that Community Development will provide some training and guidance to the chapters and we're still waiting for President Nez to sign the legislation.

He has nine more days and I believe once that's signed then you will get additional training from the Division of Community. So, Madam Chair, that is also when it comes to housing and veterans housing, we need to get an update. The director of veterans had identified there are veterans in our district that would qualify for the housing. He did not identify the communities nor the veterans, so we'll need additional information. And according to the technical team and the documents it'll be three to four homes. Families, you know, that threshold is not enough, and so that could also help with your community assessment. So, we've been working with Housing Authority and they're going to provide an update to our districts and show us their GIS Program and you'll be able through all of your method to layer it on and be able and every home identify if there's an at-risk community member. If there's like a child with special needs. So that will help you with your community assessment. The last thing regarding ARPA is, I did vote Red on the legislation because we were still negotiating. We'll need to consider the judicial so that the courts can address the probate or the domestic violence cases, the civil cases, and they have a backlog of about 28,000 cases. And so, they need some more support to get through the process. Another area we were looking at was premium pay like for police. Well, it would have been eligible for our employees and that could have been anywhere up to you know like an additional \$15 an hour or maximum of 25,000 per year. But we're finding is those who are helping. One you know, helping with the recovery that their pay is very, very low. And so, across the nation, it's very hard to make a living off of the pay that is provided. There was no funding specifically for New Mexico senior centers. If you want to let the Grazing Official know that we were working on the agriculture plan and we did not have a time to make that amendment and that's why we voted red. But we're working on a dry land farmers. Funding proposal we have a \$50 million proposal from the irrigation farmers. So, one of our chapters in the district is on the irrigation side. What we're having conversations with the federal, USDA and NRCS. We let them know about our watershed study and so they should be able to help us with future planning on addressing the Earthen dams or you know, the windmills. And I know that there's a conversation about our reservoir, like yesterday at Two Grey Hills a company presented on hydroelectric power like a power plant. And so, there are these conversations happening. Another company who wants to do a similar project. And so, I think it's important that this chapter know what's being proposed on some of these projects, how the communities involved with and then what will be the impact of. I'll give to my last area of focus is the budget. Finance Committee did pass the budget, and so it doesn't look like the chapter stipend will be an issue. That issue has been fully funded and addressed along with your non administrative cost. Something that is of concern and I'll need the help of the chapters is the DALTC program or Senior Center programs has identified that these are chapter facilities that use the DALTC program and we asked them, well, what is the operating and maintenance that you need. I do have a request from Northern Agency for about \$600,000 for Northern Agency senior centers to give them. And additional supplies. And so, we will be looking for dollars to help support the Senior Center and their needs. So, Madam President, I wanted to provide that report to the Community. And I will have my written report. Make sure you see on my report the different funding request. So, for the Sanostee chapter, I do not currently have a funding request, but if you have one that you're proposing, I believe a lot of it is focused on road. And so tomorrow I'll be attending the NDOT meeting. We'll be hosting a local district road update meeting. I was able to call in on your Roads committee for less than an hour, but I know that you get updates from NDOT. We'll be meeting them at on the 25th at Two Grey Hills at 10:00 o'clock. And the people from the hydroelectric project will be there too, if you want to wait. That will be the first time we hear about it or in depth about it. President Haskie: We do have a lot to talk about and have a lot of questions.

Also, we did get the funding for the waterline.

Kori Tso: The 22 million, is that for all the chapters you represent?

Delegate Crotty: From the ARPA, that's the whole district. All their projects.

Kori Tso: Do you have the money allocated for the chapter or a proposal to you?

Delegate Crotty: The 22 million, those are already projects on NTUA's listing, etc. Those are moving forward. Now, looking at regional allocation. The chapter will request for it.

Deadline is 90 days. Get a proposal and have Appendix A, then get signature from the Director and DOJ. They made it very complicated. We will be pushing the different projects out and make sure the chapters have the training they need.

Kori Tso: Is there a guideline on how it gets approved?

Delegate Crotty: Council passed that resolution back in July of last year, and so it outlines the process. That and the chapters have received training on it. There's also a budget and finance resolution that has the budget forms and they're all online. And so, the process is like 2 pages where they say the amount that they're requesting, they need to make sure that they make the timeline because ARPA has timelines December 30th, 2024 and they construction needs to be done by December 30, 2026. And then they'll say how this is going to help COVID. And that's what we're going to submit to Dr. Yellowman, which then goes to DOJ for review. They have five days to review and they let us know if it's eligible or not eligible. Once the chapter gets proposals to me, then we can start working on the process. I know you submitted projects in the portal, we can review those again. Majority of your submitted projects were funded.

Secretary/Treasurer Washburn: There were additional ones submitted too.

Delegate Crotty: We can review those as well.

Vice President Henderson: Comment, the Senior Center doesn't have a van to transport food to the elders. Frank always says their van was taken away and not replaced. Also, this ALERT building should be a priority as a command center. There are people running around on the mountain with guns. They could have used it for a command center. I stress this all the time, they can use that building as a staging point.

Delegate Crotty: The van is ARPA eligible. Some chapters got a hot/cold truck. The ALERT building, you can get supplies to respond to an emergency, which are ARPA eligible. You have to go through the process. It depends on how you are going to use it.

2. Chapter Business Update

President Haskie reported.

- Navajo Nation Oil and Gas helped with getting their roof repaired
- NTEC is also helping with burials for families in our communities.
- A lot of road requests from the rainfall. Everyday the operator has been out there in the community.

Vice-President Henderson reported.

- ALERT responded to emergency calls, accidents, a guy running around the mountain with a gun. They didn't get to the location. 8 officers responded. I showed them the location but it didn't work out. There were a lot of flooding around homes and roads. We would talk with Jourdan, then her and the operator would do an assessment. Then it would get worked on. 5016 road was fixed by NTEC as well.
- When it rains, people need to understand, it's difficult because it's still muddy. The equipment could get stuck. Bear with us community. Some people get upset and yell at the Chapter. We are trying our best. We only have one operator. We had to call him back in on 4th of July when he was spending time with his family.
- The students are giving good feedback on the summer program. They are learning a lot of Native food making. They want to come back. They are really enjoying it.
- Our PEP Carpenters are doing a really good job. The ramps are being made. Work orders are not always being helped but they are working on their assignments. Even emergency repairs too.

3. Tse Alnaozti'i Veterans Organization- None in attendance in person or by teleconference.

4. Grazing Official, Alonzo Cohoe

Alonzo Cohoe reported. He has completed one homesite lease this month. 15 tally counts as well. We are working on consent forms for the waterline project from 491. We are having problems with two people because they live out of Sanostee. There are still transfers on going but Fish & Wildlife is causing us a hold up. We don't understand why we have to deal with them. That's holding the process up right now. District trying to get a resolution to BIA to process those permits to the permittees and find out why it's taking so long.

We are asking people to reduce by 40%. I agree we should do it but haven't done it yet. There are so many horses out there without care. If you don't use your permit for like sheep or cows, it shouldn't be towards horses. Still working on round up and trapping. Dept of Ag is doing the same thing. For us, there are erosion problems with all this recent wind. There are three places on 5000 that need addressing, probably let the road committee know too. I haven't been to the mountains this past month. Rancher reports are saying, not a lot of water. The range is good. Hopefully it keeps raining. Just be careful when you are driving out when the rain is going. Make sure you get home really quick before that water comes out from the mountains. There has been a lot of complaints going out, been giving out forms. ATV usage is illegal on range land. People need to understand that, that is one of the complaints I received.

5. **Community Land Use Planning Committee-** Written report provided, read into record and attached to meeting minutes.

6. **Community Road Committee-** None in attendance in person or by teleconference.

7. **Community Health Representative, Berlanda Dickson**

Berlanda Dickson reported. Providing her bi-monthly report. She is able to go back into the homes. She is able to take vitals on her clients now. I do monitor before I go in the house. Back in June, there was only one community on the hotspot list. June 21st, a lot of communities got back on it. July 5th, same thing. Sanostee was on those reports but now we are not on the hotspot list. I continue to remind people to wash your hands right, social distance. The campaign rallies are not following the protocols. Even the microphone usage. This is for our safety. Someone might be carrying the virus on their hands. I have a lot of COVID tests, even in the Chapter Office. People ask for it and some get offended if I offer them. Once you explain things to people, they better understand it. I helped a child get tested who was very scared to get tested, he even was able to help his elderly grandparents take a test. Education means a lot. We are off the hotspot and let's keep it that way. I delivered a lot of food boxes to families in need. I gave out 56 test kits in June and 4 food boxes plus additional supplies. I provided group presentations to our children here and I helped in Burnham too. Your children are learning a lot during the summer employment. They even got CPR certified. I appreciate it. Education items: heat stroke, arthritis. I advise to drink their water, not Gatorade. I also did road assessment's and submitted some work orders. Frank has been helping with a lot of supplies as well. 8 or 9 of my high risk have gotten their handicap ramps completed. They are very appreciative and proud of it. They appreciate the workers. JMI was here, CHR's monitored the walkers. I hear people talk about the Officials and how they aren't doing anything, coming out to the people, they got new machines that they should be using out there. I tell them, they are working very hard. Thank you for approving my referrals. Also, homesite lease is an issue. A lot of our people are struggling. They ask the Chapter for help. They ask me to help them get their houses fixed up. A lot need help and homesite lease is a big issue. Otherwise, I help people get their medications too. Some haven't been to the hospital in over 3 years. I tell, Julie Thomas, our public health nurse to come out to these individuals. I always make sure they have food as well. I really need help with these referrals to the Chapter. There is usually none. The people are tired of me. There are 386 people. If I can't get to their home, I just document that but I don't open gates, etc. COVID is still out there. Some are catching COVID again. A lot are being sent home with oral medications. If someone calls me, I refer them to the hospital. A lot of these text kits have expired, double check the dates. So tomorrow, we'll be doing screening with the children. Some students approach me and ask more questions. Our test kits are to last us until next year but if you need them, let me know.

Motion by Kori Tso

Second by Darlene Smith

Memberships vote 9 (9 in person) in favor, 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person) abstained to accept the reports

III. NEXT MEETING:

1. August 2022 Planning Meeting: 08/07/2022 @ 1 pm
2. August 2022 Regular Chapter Meeting: 08/21/2022 @ 1 pm

IV. CONCLUSION OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. July 13, 2022- Road Committee Meeting
2. July 16, 2022- Ranchers Roundtable Meeting
3. July 19, 2022- CLUPC Meeting
4. EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY @ 6:30 PM- FREE ZUMBA CLASSES

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Berlinda Dickson Second by Darlene Smith
**Memberships vote 8 in favor (8 in person), 0 opposed and 1 (1 in person)
abstained to adjourn the meeting.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

**Submitted by: Secretary/ Treasurer Jourdan Washburn: _____ on
07/12/2022.**

Chapter Administration Rec'vd: _____

