



Bahastl'ah Chapter REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING

April 14, 2019
MINUTES

1) Meeting called to order by Elouise Johnson at 1:22 pm.

Sergeant at Arms:
Larry Tsosie

Elouise Johnson expressed words of appreciation for all of those in attendance today. The registered voters will be voting at this meeting. The agenda is available, the policies to be renewed with community vote are on the table for review.

2) Invocation given by Marilyn Johnson

3) Roll Call:

Chapter Officials		Chapter Administration	
<i>Elouise Johnson, President</i>	P		
<i>Tom Begay, Vice-President</i>	P	Louise Gleason, AMS	P
<i>Joan Nez, Sec./Treas.</i>	P		
<i>Pernell Halona, Council Delegate</i>	A	Cordell Smith, OA	A
<i>Larry Tsosie, Land Board</i>	P		

4) Introduction(s)

Presentation:

Choice NTUA Wireless

Pauline V. and George Arthur presented on the NTUA to provide a broadband for the community of Bahastl'ah. The chapter was selected base on the services available nearby.

Benjamin Becenti experience paying a lot of out-of-pocket money for services rendered by NTUA, will this broadband be similar that we will be paying for services later after installing the equipment.

George Arthur discussed the services will be provided free of charge for the first two years. The plan is the community will use the internet for students, health service, employment, veteran services etc. The fiber optic is extended along highway 491 that will be utilized. The supporting resolution will secure funding from Sihaasin funds. Within the two-years, NTUA will assist individual chapters to obtain continued funding through E-rate under qualification being library or health services.

Roy Yazzie supports the request; our children will benefit from the services.

Announcement(s):

- a. Housing Assistance Application – April 2019 to August 2019
- b. April 19, 2019 – Good Friday
- c. April 21, 2019 – Easter Sunday
- d. April 22, 2019 – Navajo Nation Sovereignty Day/Earth Day
- e. April 15-19, 2019 – NN Spring Session

5) Review and Approval of the Agenda

Elouise Johnson reviewed the agenda for todays' meeting. There no changes and motion made to approve as presented.

Motion: Thomasina Willie	Second: Marilyn Johnson	Vote: 15/03/03
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6). Review and Approve last regular meeting minutes of March 17, 2019:

Secretary Treasurer provided copies of the minutes and presented for approval. Motion made to approve as presented.

Motion: Roy Yazzie	Second: Nate Tsosie	Vote: 20/00/03
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7). Old Business

1. Resolution approving a budget transfer from account 17 -Emergency Fund to assist community with propane, account was frozen at the February 11, 2019-chapter meeting.

Cordell Smith was not in attendance to release the report. Thomasina Willie motions to keeping the account frozen until the report is provided.

Substitute Motion: Thomasina Willie	Second: Jimmy Detsoi	Vote: 19/00/04
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8). New Business

1. State of Revenue and Chapter Balance Sheet for March 2019 Financial Report

The secretary/treasurer provided copies of the report and read to the community the report presented. Motion made to approve.

Motion: Rose Mary Smith	Second: Marilyn Johnson	Vote: 15/01/15
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2. Resolution Supporting Resolution and Approval of Sihasin Funding for the 62 Chapter House Broadband Project and Recommending Approval for Easement for Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA) to place, operate and maintain wireless and electronic equipment with the vicinity of Bahastl'ah Chapter, McKinley County, New Mexico

Motion: Roy Yazzie	Second: Nathaniel Tsosie	Vote: 14/02/05
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3. Resolution to approve budget transfer in Fund 17 Acct 6353, \$685.00 to pay for Hay (TABLE)

4. Resolution to approve a budget transfer in General Account Fund 01 in amount of \$3,688.42 into accounts 6721, 6303, 6352 and 6615.

Motion: Roy Yazie	Second: Dorothy Hubbard	Vote: 18/00/05
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5. Approval of the Revised Chapter Usage Policy, Revised Housing Discretionary Fund Policy, Revised Funeral Expense Assistance Policy, and Revised Public Employment Project (PEP) Policy.

Elouise Johnson the reported the policies were discussed for many days, the community are invited to participate, the continuing of other policies is scheduled this week. The policies can be amended time after time. Some discussion on the policies, it is marked draft, considering the individuals who are registered with another chapter but lived in the community for several years, and the amount set aside for assistance.

Motion: Marilyn Johnson	Second: Rose Mary Smith	Vote: 18/00/04
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9). Assistances

- A. Housing Assistance:
 - 1. Nathaniel Tsosie

2. Ethel Kinlicheenie
3. Evelyn Thompson

Elouise Johnson remind the community that several individuals that have been approved but the projects are incomplete will be revisited to determine what the next steps are. Nathaniel Tsosie asked for approval from the community. Ethel Kinlicheenie request to decline her request. Evelyn Thompson did not say although she was present. Motion made to approve all listed.

Motion: Marilyn Johnson	Second: Thomasina Willie	Vote: 22/00/04
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B. Land Survey

1. Olsen John

Jimmy Detsoi remarked that there is no representation for the request, therefore motioned to table.

Motion: Jimmy Detsoi	Second: Nathaniel Tsosie	Vote: 21/00/03
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10). Reports

1. Grazing Official

Larry Tsosie, Agriculture assistance, account not set up for individuals. Tally counts are in the process. Summer time now, start bringing wood for the winter. Chuska mountains has plenty of woods to be hauled.

2. CLUPC - none
3. Veterans -none
4. Chapter Official

Tom Begay attended the Ft. Defiance Agency meeting, it was strong presentation to “buy local” to collect taxes for the Navajo Nation. Several resolutions were presented and passed. On April 22, 2019 he asked the community to pick up trash along the highway, residential roads, and trash bins will be provided. No household trashes. Trash bags and refreshments will be provided at the chapter house.

Elouise Johnson attended the policy revision meetings in the month of April. The community members are invited to attend the policy sessions, district/agency meetings she did not attend. At the end of the month, there is a conference in Flagstaff on Government Reform, many changes coming in 2020. Some chapters to be consolidate as the chapter meeting attendance are low. The quorum will be revisited.

- 5.Ch’ooshgai Community School

Jimmy Detsoi reported the upcoming promotions dates, there are 310 students enrolled and there is an increased in education. The principal is doing an excellent job, preplanning for the next school year. He provided a detailed report reflecting growth. Recruitment drive for next school year is starting. On the side note, the committees in our Nation is top heavy, some committees do not accomplish anything for us but utilized funds non-stop, meeting after meeting are scheduled to collect stipend but with no progress.

- 6.Laris Manuelito, LDA

Highlighted on Spring Council Session next week and equipment for Bahastl’ah Chapter is waiting on signatures,

11). Adjournment @ 3:22p.m.

Motion: Jimmy Detsoi	Second: Roy Yazzie	Vote: Majority
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Next Meeting Date: Planning Meeting, May 2, 2019.

*Submitted by Joan Nez.
Secretary/Treasurer
April 14, 2019*

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