

TEESTO CHAPTER REGULAR MEETING
TEESTO COMMUNITY CENTER
AUGUST 21, 2023, AT 10:00AM (DST)

I. PRELIMINARIES.

1. Call Meeting to Order at 11:37am by Chapter President, Elmer Clark.
2. Roll Call: Elmer Clark, LeRoy Thomas, and Sophia Francis. Absent: Morgan Yazzie and Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie.
3. Invocation given by John Nells
4. Introduction:
 - Elvera Begay, CHR Program.
 - CHR Supervisor (Newly hired)

II. READING & ADOPTING THE AGENDA.

Motion by Lucinda Honani to adopt the agenda to include under New Business to add item 6. Requesting the Navajo Nation Department of Water Resource to rehabilitate the White Clay Dam in the community of Teesto and seconded by Juanita Lee. The vote was 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. Motion carried.

III. READING & ACCEPTING THE LAST MEETING MINUTES.

Motion made by John Nells to accept the last meeting minutes, seconded by Lucinda Honani. The vote was 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. Motion carried.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENT.48,064.12

1. August 29, 2023, 9am TAG Mtg.,
2. August 25-26, 2023, DGSA Training, Albuquerque NM
3. August 26, 2023, Hunters Point Community School-Work session, Isleta NM
4. August 30, 2023, Tse'Hootsoi Navajo Regional Special School Brd. Mtg., KDLO
5. August 31-September 1, 2023, GCS New School Construction Mtg., Gallup NM
6. August 27-30, 2023, 638 Association Mtg. Albuquerque NM
7. September 15, 2023, Arizona State of Transportation Mtg., Yuma AZ
8. September 5, 2023, Teesto Planning Mtg., Teesto Community Center.
9. August 23, 2023, St. Mary Food Distribution, Teesto Community Center.

V. OLD BUSINESS.

VI. NEW BUSINESS.

1. Accepting/Approve 2023 July Financial Report. Chapter Secretary/Treasurer reviewed the financial report for the month of July. (Beg. Bal. \$324,157.58; Expenses \$40,064.12, Deposits \$20,150.33, Ending Bal. \$296,243.79). Discussion/Question: Account 14: **Motion made by Jesse Thompson to approve 2023 July Financial report, seconded by Juanita Lee. The vote was 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained. Motion carried.**
2. Recommending and Approving Agreement between Teesto Chapter and Division of Aging and Long-Term Care support for the use of the Teesto Senior Citizen Center between October 01, 2023, to September 30, 2024. **Motion made by Jesse Thompson approve resolution TEE-AUG-23-2023, seconded by Gloria Begay. The vote was 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained. Motion carried.**
3. Recommending and Approving the Proposed Teesto Community Center facility use policies and procedures. The Gymnasium portion of the community has been used minimally and with some discretion as approved by the administration. It is the insurance and liability issues that make it mandatory for some facility use policies and procedures by approve by the

community to formally proceed with use by the community and others. **Motion made by Jesse Thompson to open for discussion, seconded by Lucinda Honani. Motion made by John Nells approve resolution TEE-AUG-22-2023 as presented, seconded by Aurora Holmes. The vote was 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. Motion carried.**

4. Recommending and Supporting the Navajo Nation Office of the President and Vice-President and Navajo Hopi Land Commission Office to proceed with introducing the “Easy Lift” version of the proposed technical amendments to the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Act of 1974.
5. A resolution of the Teesto Chapter acknowledging the need for a study of rural school bus routes in Northeastern Arizona. This planning effort is necessary to improve student attendance, educational outcomes, and roadway network maintenance, and is a regional planning priority. **Motion made by Elvira Jackson to approve resolution TEE-AUG-26-2023, seconded by Juanita Lee. The vote was 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. Motion carried.**
6. Requesting the Navajo Nation Department of Water Resources to rehabilitate the White Clay Dam in the community of Teesto. **Motion by John Nells to approve resolution TEE-AUG-24-2023, seconded by Juanita Lee. The vote was 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. Motion carried.**

VII. REPORTS.

1. Council Delegate, Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie.
2. Navajo County Board of Supervisor, Alberto Peshlakai.
 - Senior Citizen Center: There will be a \$3,000.00 contribution from Navajo County next month.
 - Transportation update: Informed the community of the right-away fencing and cattle guard installation with cost estimates of \$10 million this is a long range improvement project.
3. Dilcon Community School, Mr. Washunas, Principal.
4. WIHCC, Inc., PIO, Al Yazzie.
 - The Emergency Department is open 24/7 and can provide services to whoever needs medical attention.
 - The Primary Care: There are doctors hired and staff which some has transferred from WIHCC, Inc. We are encouraging everyone to come to Dilcon Medical Center to receive care according to the static there are more patients still going to WIHCC. Dilcon Medical Center is slowing getting patients.
 - The departments are available 8am-5pm Monday thru Friday. Walk-ins are welcome. Physical Therapy and Podiatry/Wound Care will be relocating soon. The cafeteria section is open early. Winslow Indian Health Care Center, Inc, will be a satellite clinic.
 - Job Opportunities: There are still vacancies.
 - Pharmacy is open in Dilcon, the pharmacy in WIHCC, Inc. is understaffed. We encourage patients to come to Dilcon to pick their medication.
5. WIHCC, Inc. Rep. John Nells.
6. Seba Dalkai Boarding School; Ms. Bigboy, Principal or Mr. Leonard, School Board.
7. Chapter Manager, Clara Tsosie.
 - Planning and Chapter Meeting are very important. When requesting assistance submit all documents to the chapter.
 - ARPA: The SRA has been submitted. The 2 projects for Teesto: 1.) the purchase of heavy equipment 2.) Housing Improvements/Weatherization. The forms are available at the front office and on our Website. When requesting housing assistance submit the forms with 3 quotes. There will be assessment and assigned by someone to do a

home visit to gather information on the repair. The chapter will receive the funding to purchase the heavy equipment, the housing funding will come in increments (50%, 25%, 25%) until all funding is expended.

- Acquila: The broadband project. We need to know the location of towers.
- UBS (Exposure Liability): We gathered all the Teesto properties, equipment, and furniture with the help of Arviso Construction's listing. This is ready for submission. This is for insurance purposes.
- Demo Project: Did an RFP for this projects and advertised in the paper. There are 2 Bids and waiting for the bids that were mailed. We will schedule a bid opening once all is received.
- Navajo County has helped with our maintenance and fuel expenses. They always come through when we need their help. The Navajo Nation takes too long when we request funding they request for original documents, and we have not receive no Capital Improvement with the last years. Thank you....
- St. Mary gave \$7,000.00 which help with fuel. It was a big help to our needs.
- Food Bank scheduled for Wednesday and need volunteers. We will be closing our building after due to exterminator spraying in/outside of the building.
- Home Improvement Program accepting application with a deadline the end of September. The application is available on the Website and front office.
- Reminder: Community members prepare for Winter. The chapter receives less funding. Your family needs to help you with hauling firewood, livestock feed/hay, and all the necessary needs. The chapter can only help with a little.

8. Chapter Officials:

- a. Grazing Official, Morgan Yazzie.
- b. President, Elmer Clark.
- c. Vice-President, LeRoy Thomas.
- d. Secretary/Treasurer, Sophia Francis.
- e. Tse'Hootsoi Navajo School Board, Sophia Francis.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE: September 18, 2023, at 10:00am Teesto Community Center.

IX. ADJOURNMENT.