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Nenahnezad Chapter Regular Meeting Agenda  
September 16, 2024 @ 2:00 pm  
**IN-PERSON ONLY**

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Invocation
3. Approval of regular meeting Agenda
4. Approval of last meeting minutes
5. Resolutions:
  - 1.NZC-077-2024 - NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING AUGUST 2024**
  - 2. NZC-078-2024 – NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES TO HIRE PEP RUG WEAVERS-PROJECT FY25-NZD-04.**
  - 3. NZC-079-2024 - NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES TO HIRE A PEP OFFICE ASSISTANT- PROJECT FY25-NZC-01.**
  - 4. NZC-080-2024 – NENAHNEZAD APPROVES TO HIRE ONE PEP MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR – PROJECT FY25-NZD-02.**
  - 5. NZC-081-2024 – NENAHNEZAD APPROVES TO HIRE PEP LABORERS – PROJECT FY25-NZD-03.**
  - 6. NZC-082-2024- NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES/RE-AFFIRMS THE NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER COMMUNITY LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR FY 2025.**
  - 7. NZC-083-2024 - NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER SUPPORTS COMMUNITY MEMBER DELPHINA DAYISH TO BE A CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE NORTHERN NAVAJO FAIR BOARD FOR 2024.**
  - 8. NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES AND ACCEPTS A \$5,000.00 SCHOLARSHIP DONATION FROM NTEC (NAVAJO TRANSITIONAL ENERGY COMPANY) FOR THE NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER NTEC SCHOLARSHIP FUND.**
  - 9. NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER REQUESTING REVENUE REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUNDING FOR \$736,165.00**
6. Introduction of Guests:
  1. Arlenta Horse-Dickie – San Juan County Election office
  2. Dominique Bitsilly – University of Colorado - IHS
  3. Jon Chandler – El Paso/Kinder Morgan
  4. Helena Crosby – NM State Election Office
7. New Business/Reports:
  - A. Council Delegate Rickie Nez
  - B. Grazing/SJ DWUA – Harold Dodge
  - C. Farm Board – Tracy Raymond
  - D. CHR – Maxine Tsosie
  - E. CLUPC – Juanita Begay
  - F. Veterans – Philbert Johnson.
  - G. Schools -
  - H. Secretary Treasurer – Andrea Lope
  - I. Vice President – LoJan Watson

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J. Chapter President – Norman C. Begaye

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Nenahnezad Chapter Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 16, 2024 @ 2 pm

### IN-PERSON ONLY

1. President Norman C. Begaye calls the meeting to order at 2:17 pm.
2. President Norman C. Begaye gave the invocation.
3. President Norman C. Begaye read over the regular meeting agenda.

President Norman C. Begaye informed the community No. 9 resolution will be taken out until more information is collected.

Judy Gilmore motions to approve the meeting agenda. Lorenzo Dodge seconded the motion. **The motion carries 17-0-1.**

4. Secretary-Treasurer Andrea F. Lope attached the last meeting minutes to the agenda. The community members read the minutes and Juanita Begay motions to approve the last meeting minutes. Daisy Barber seconded the motion. **The motion carries 17-0-1.**

5. Resolutions:

**1.NZC-077-2024 - NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING AUGUST 2024**

Marianne Benally motions to approve and open discussion. Judy Gilmore seconded motion. **The motion carries 19-0-1.**

**2. NZC-078-2024 – NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES TO HIRE PEP RUG WEAVERS-PROJECT FY25-NZD-04.**

Juanita Begay motions to approve and open discussion for Resolution #2 - #5 and #8. Judy Gilmore seconds the motion. **The motion carries 18-0-1.**

President Norman C. Begaye informed the community, the hiring process is hard to abide by because the laborers cannot operate machinery.

President Norman C. Begaye stated the employment work cycle is four months each.

President Norman C. Begaye informed the community the budget amount is for eight PEP workers per year.

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Martha Johnson motions to approve. Lorenzo Dodge seconds the motion. **The motion carries 18-0-1.**

6. **NZC-083-2024 - NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER SUPPORTS COMMUNITY MEMBER DELPHINA DAYISH TO BE A CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE NORTHERN NAVAJO FAIR BOARD FOR 2024.**

Farm board member Tracy Raymond stepped down from the Shiprock fair board. President Norman C. Begaye nominated Delphina Dayish to represent Nenahnezad Chapter.

Judy Gilmore motions to approve. Rose Harvey seconds the motion. **The motion carries 17-0-1.**

**8. NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER APPROVES AND ACCEPTS A \$5,000.00 SCHOLARSHIP DONATION FROM NTEC (NAVAJO TRANSITIONAL ENERGY COMPANY) FOR THE NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER NTEC SCHOLARSHIP FUND.**

President Norman C. Begaye informed the community an NTEC leadership and District 13 meeting was held earlier on September 16, 2024.

Community member Evelyn Barber asked about the differences between NTEC which awards for STEM and Nenahnezad Chapter which awards for community scholarship recipients. President Norman C. Begaye informed Ms. Barber Nenahnezad chapter awards students who apply and does not focus on STEM.

**9. NENAHNEZAD CHAPTER REQUESTING REVENUE REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUNDING FOR \$736,165.00.**

Resolution #9 is removed from the agenda due to more information needs to be collected.

7. Introduction of Guests:

A. **Marianne Benally – San Juan County election. Ms. Benally gave a presentation of the different ways to vote.**

**Absentee – Contact Clerk’s office or chapter houses for registration forms. (October 8, 2024, through October 22, 2024)**

**Early voting (October 8 – November 2, 2024) at different locations within San Juan County.**

**In-person on November 5, 2024, at different locations within San Juan County from 7am to 7pm. (see attached)**

B. **Dominique Bitsilly – University of Colorado – IHS. Not present**

C. Jon Chandler – El Paso/Kinder Morgan with Lloyd Brown.

Mr. Chandler informed the community of a gas line that will start a pipeline maintenance project on or around September 16, 2024, through November 16, 2024. Part of the road will be closed and re-routed starting October 20, 2024.

D. Helena Crosby – NM State Election Office. Ms. Crosby gave a presentation of the upcoming 2024 NM general election.

October 8, 2024 – Deadline to register, mail or online. Plus, same day registration and early voting begins.

October 22, 2024 – deadline to request an absentee ballot.

November 2, 2024 – early voting ends.

November 5, 2024 – Election Day and last day to accept absentee ballots.

8. New Business/Reports:

A. Council Delegate Ricky Nez. Not present. Attending an RDC meeting.

B. Grazing/SJWUA – Harold Dodge. Mr. Dodge is completing the tally counts and will be turning in information next Monday, September 23, 2024.

September 11, 2024, was the latest Grazing meeting, the complaints were illegal fencing problems.

Grazing Official Mr. Dodge informed the community members there are no homesite leases available in the area. Plus, it's up to the permit holders to give their approval. No homesites on farm areas.

Grazing Official Mr. Dodge is working closely with solar plant projects with George Arthur and NTUA.

Currently looking for areas south of Four Corners power plant for solar projects.

Regarding SJWU, underground water projects will start once the water is turned off. Laborers and operators will be needed.

C. Farm Board – Tracy Raymond.

The underground pipeline will be completed in Burnham starting from numerous areas.

The water users committee are asking for their personal information for the farmers that utilized water. The people that utilized water users' information needs to be sent to the Government to show the farms and water is being utilized.

Farm Board Member Mr. Raymond was in Washington, DC regarding the concerning issues. (water users, farmers, information, homesite leases). These issues need to be taken care of by the Gov't and not at the local level.

There is a shortfall of funding is \$15 million to complete the pipeline project. The Navajo Nation is responsible for this shortfall diversion per Tracy Raymond.

- D. CHR – Maxine Tsosie. Ms. Tsosie is still making home visits and meal deliveries.

Flu vaccines will start in October through November. November 7, 2024, Nenahnezad chapter.

CHR will be at the Shiprock fair during elder fest on October 3, 2024.

COVID 19 is on the rise. Wear your mask and use hand sanitizer.

- E. CLUPC – President Juanita Begay is finalizing the CLUPC manual.

Nenahnezad CSC Arthur Bavaro has been attending the CLUPC meetings. The CLUPC inventoried the homes within the community and are now working on the roads. The Navajo Nation hired a company from Kansas to work with the rural addressing. The rural addressing company is currently working with Upper Fruitland and once completed will work their way to Nenahnezad and San Juan chapter communities. At that time, the discussion of boundaries will be discussed. It was recommended the officials should be involved. President Begaye informed the community, Nenahnezad and Upper Fruitland are working together, and the road numbers will start in the 9200 series. The APS Road is CR 6675 and on the Navajo nation starts with the 8500 series. APS uses CR 6675 as their business address.

- F. Veterans – Not present.

- G. Schools – Not present

- H. Secretary Treasurer – Andrea Lope. Announced the last flea market will be held on September 21, 2024, and an arts and craft fair will be held October 12, 2024.

- I. Vice President – LoJan Watson. Vice President Ms. Watson attended the Rural addressing meeting and was informed it would take approximately two years to rural address the Navajo Nation by 2026.

Also 911 will be able to be used with pinpointing for faster service.

Vice President Ms. Watson attended the district 13 meeting and NAPI gave a presentation/Updates. NAPI spokespersons Lionel Haskie stated, NAPI will be trying to attend a chapter meeting soon.

Vice President Ms. Watson attended the CHID housing meeting, and ARPA will give the company lina'ba', Inc. the contract to work on this project. As for the Nenahnezad chapter, there are currently seven recipients for housing and three more recipients are needed. Chapter coordinator Arthur and Vice President resubmitted the application after the ARPA meeting.

Voter registration will be closing September 26, 2024. Absentee voting begins October 17, 2024 and the Navajo Nation general election is November 5, 2024. Vice President Ms. Watson also mentioned absentee voting and early voting.

J. Chapter President – Norman C. Begaye.

President Norman C. Begaye recognized and thanked George Arthur and Arash Moalemi with NTUA for providing the meals for the Northern Agency meeting on September 14, 2024.

A new HVAC in the multi-purpose hall was installed.

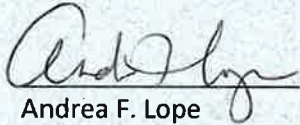
The comprehensive budget has not been approved. During the Northern Agency meeting there was clarification, the budget is being worked on.

November 2, 2024, is the NAPI customer appreciation day.

**Next Meeting:**

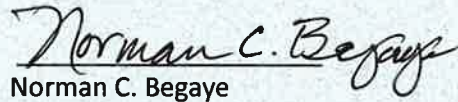
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- 9. Adjournment – Louise Wadsworth makes a motion to adjourn. Daisy Barber seconded the motion at 4:15 pm. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted:

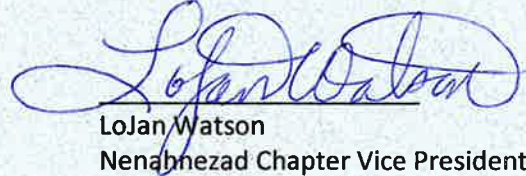


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