

**TIIS TSOH SIKAAD CHAPTER  
MEETING REPORT FORM "FY 2024"**

CHAPTER MEETING     PLANNING MEETING     SPECIAL MEETING    |     EMERGENCY MEETING

CHAPTER: TIIS TSOH SIKAAD    AGENCY: NORTHERN NAVAJO

DISTRICT NO: 13

DATE: 4-12-24

TIME: 11:19

QUORUM: 16

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CHAPTER MANAGER:  
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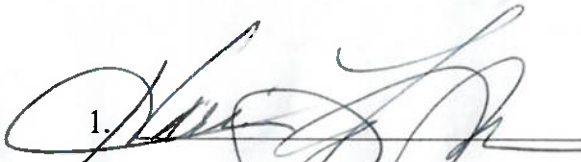
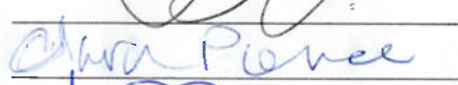

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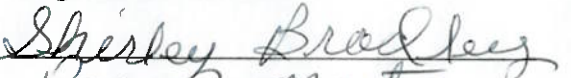
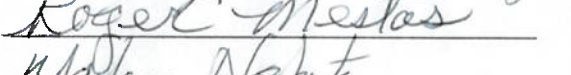
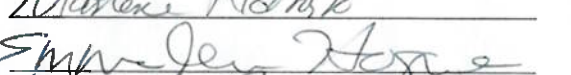

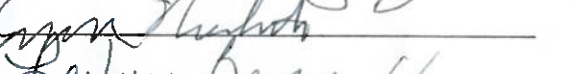
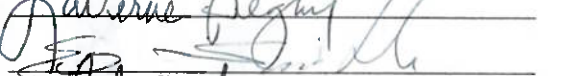
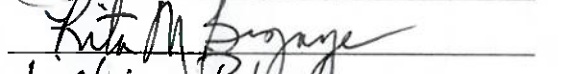
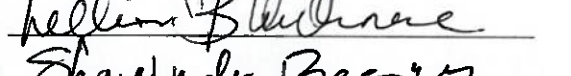
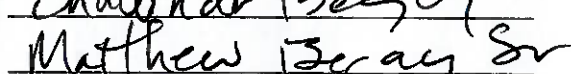
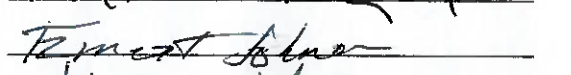

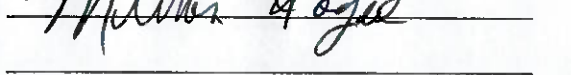
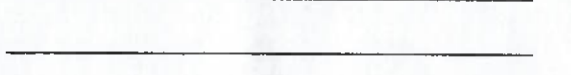

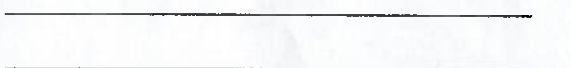


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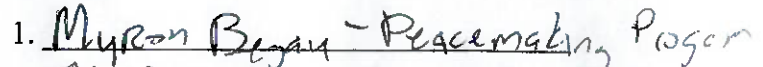
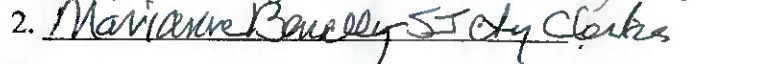
## Chapter Regular Meeting April 12, 2024 Sign-in sheet

1.  Harrison LaMone, Chapter President
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Edison Smith, Chapter Vice President
3.  Clara Pierce, Chapter Secretary/Treasurer
4.  Tanner J. Begaye, Grazing Official
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Council Delegate Rickie Nez

### Registered Voters:

6.  Shirley Bradley
7.  Roger Mestas
8.  Marlene Nakato
9.  Emma Jay Hogue
10.  Paula Begay
11.  Lynn Hughes
12.  Katherine Begay
13.  Ed Smith
14.  Rita M. Begaye
15.  Kellin Bluehorse
16.  Shaundra Begay
17.  Matthew Begay Sr
18.  Ernest Blue
19.  Sheron Johnson
20.  Milton Hogue
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### Guests:

1.  Myron Begay - Peacemaking Program
2.  Marianne Beverly - City Clerk
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## Chapter Regular Meeting Agenda Friday, April 12, 2024 @ 11:00a.m.

1. Meeting called to order by \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_
2. The invocation was given by \_\_\_\_\_
3. Review and Approve the Agenda  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain
4. Accepting the Last Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2024  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain
5. Old Business:
  - a. Guest: Myron K. Begay, Shiprock Peacemaking Program, Traditional Program Specialist
  - b. Guest: Arlenta Horse-Dickie, San Juan County Clerk's office, Bilingual Coordinator
  - c. Guest: Navajo Nation Election Office, Shiprock, NM
6. New Business (subject to change during the Planning Meeting)
  - a) TTS-RES-24-04-32: APPROVING THE TIIS TSOH SIKAAD CHAPTER FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 31, ENDING MARCH 31, 2024  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain
  - b) TTS-RES-24-04-33: APPROVING THE AMENDED EMERGENCY BUDGET FUND ACCOUNT 17 TO JUSTIFY THE CORRECTIONS IN EACH ALLOCATIONS FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$11,742.89  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain
  - c) TTS-RES-24-04-34: SUPPORTING/APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT OF WATER RIGHTS CLAIMS OF THE NAVAJO NATION IN THE RIO SAN JOSE STREAM SYSTEM IN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO (Sponsor: Johnny Johnson, Standing Rock Chapter, Cutter Lateral)  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain
  - d) TTS-RES-24-04-35: APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE TIIS TSOH SIKAAD CHAPTER TO PROCEED WITH A PAYMENT OF \$25,000.00 TO THE NAVAJO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR PROJECT #LP50057 ROADWAY/SAFETY AND ROAD SAFETY AUDIT (RSA) ON N5/SR371  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain
  - e) TTS-RES-24-04-36: APPROVING THE SELECTED CHAPTER OFFICIAL \_\_\_\_\_ TO SERVE ON THE SHIPROCK FAIR BOARD UP TO CHAPTER OFFICIALS TERM OF OFFICE  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain
  - f) TTS-RE-24-04-37: SUPPORTING THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, THE BUDGET AND FINANCE, THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, AND THE NAABIK'YATI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL IN APPROVING FUNDING FROM THE UUFB FOR THE 110 CHAPTERS' SUMMER 2024 YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS WITH EQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF \$25,000.00 TO EACH CHAPTER.  
M: \_\_\_\_\_ S: \_\_\_\_\_ V: \_\_ in favor, \_\_ against, \_\_ abstain

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1. Meeting called to order by Harrison LaMone Time: 11:19a.m.
2. The invocation was given by Evalina Begay.
3. Review and Approve the Agenda  
Harrison L. – went over the agenda.  
Clara P. – hello, thank you for coming. I would like to add two. I only received it this morning from ASC. There are two funding that are coming in, the first one is Sales Tax \$30,683.00 and Unhealthy Food Tax the one they call junk food \$8,302.00. We need to approve them, so we don't have to have a Special Meeting to those okay. That is all I want to add on "h" and "i".  
Harrison L. – does anyone have any questions on this. Or do you want to have anything added on here. If none then we need a motion to approve the agenda.  
M: Evalina Begay S: Lillian Bluehouse  
Harrison L. – okay, if there are no questions then we will go to vote. Raise your hand. We have more than 15 and everybody's vote counts. And the two guests may abstain.  
V: 16 in favor, 0 against, 4 abstain motion passed.
4. Accepting the Last Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2024  
Clara P. – read the last minutes to the members.  
Harrison L. – okay. Just the main points are read back. Does anyone have any questions? If there are no questions, then we need a motion to accept the minutes to move forward. It can be corrected if it needs to be, we did that last time too. Is that correct? Motion to accept the minutes.  
M: Laverne Begay S: Thomas Antonio  
Harrison L. – any questions? If not, then we will vote now if you are in agreement. Help each other out. Vote, vote, vote.  
V: 15 in favor, 0 against, 5 abstain
5. Old Business:
  - a. Guest: Myron K. Begay, Shiprock Peacemaking Program, Traditional Program Specialist  
Greeted the members and introduced himself. He works at Shiprock in the Peacemaking program. He was hired on February 5<sup>th</sup>. So, he is just going around introducing himself as the new Traditional Program Specialist for Peacemaking. And I just wanted to share our Vision Statement. I want to share our Vision Statement first. To live in harmony at home and at work. What is peacemaking? Planning with Hozho. It's the traditional Dine Traditional method of solving problems between people. The peacemaking program is an alternative, again to the Judicial Court Procedures. And the Goal of Peacemaking is to return to Hozho. Where there is disharmony, no Hozho or peace with our children, our relatives and the community so personal responsibility to restore harmony and balance. We must learn to resolve our own problems and teach our children the traditional Dine values that would be a positive influence in their lives. And teaching Hozho is having our people solve their own problems by talking it out and finding justice, rather than depending on the courts this concept is based on the traditional teaching. T'aawhi ajit'eego. Teaching Dine Traditional values to our younger generation is vital in the well-being of Dine, Youth Engagement Peacemaking is a high priority. On this Navajo Dine Fundamental Law is our teaching and culture we bring that into the peacemaking program. And they work then we have community-based peacemakers and then we have traditional program specialists throughout the Navajo Nation. And if we talk it out and we try to come to a compromise and a resolution. And the program services is planning with Hozho, the traditional peacemaking

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program. And teaching the children Dine Family Group Conferencing, as well as Life Value Engagement. And then we do community outreach. We do community outreach and then we go to schools and do presentations on different culture teaching. And that's what we do to try to bring our harmony back to our community. And then we also, people say to talk about probate and different court proceedings. The court proceedings, for us with that probate it has to start out with the court first. Then you get everybody served, and everybody taken care of and everybody knows what's going on. And then, everybody has to agree. You know one person can say well I don't want; I don't want peacemaking. And once everybody agrees then they send notice for a peacemaking session, everybody shows up, everybody talks, everybody you know comes to an agreement. Then that agreement is written down, then it's sent back to the court and then the court makes his decision. And then if they is just arguments, you know if there's no no agreement then it goes back to the court process. So, I just wanted to share that information with you. And we do walk-ins too if you, if you need peace making or if you want to learn more about culture you know come to my office and we'll take care of you. That is how that is. Thank you, my relatives and my people. Any questions?

Harrison L. – does anyone have any questions? Go ahead.

Laverne B. – I have one.

Harrison L. – go ahead.

Laverne B. – I remember way back from the Census Office. We had a family card a long time ago. My mom, after that the family card was done away with. Our first name and date of birth were altered on us. They did that to me. My name is Laverne and on there, it said Phyllis. So, I don't know how long I stayed with Phyllis. My mother and I went over there to let them know that the name was wrong, they overrode us, and we were told to go court. Then I was going to go to court, but we were told to go to peacemaking instead and that they would help us there. They did change my first name back, but not my date of birth. So, do you still do that?

Myron B. – yes. You have to go to court first. Because we don't, anything that involves court we don't usually get involved in it. It has to come from the court referral. If it goes that way. Say if you want peacemaking, then that goes to the court. It goes to court. Everything starts with the court. We have to have a docket. We have to have a docket number in order to make a file for ourselves. So.

Laverne B. – okay, thank you.

Myron B. – yes.

Harrison L. – anyone else?

Edison S. – where's your address?

Myron B. – by the court building. There's just a modular building south, between the Bethel Christian Church and the courthouse. We have a modular building we're in there with probation. It has it on the side of our building. Light brown building.

Harrison L. – you probably know where it is.

Laverne B. – yes.

Harrison L. – okay, anyone else? When are you open? Monday, Fridays?

Myron B. – Monday – Friday, 8-5pm we close for lunch. If you need to do a peacemaking session, we can schedule it for the weekend. And I also need Peacemakers from the community. I had one, his name is Davis Henry but he's not on my list anymore, so. If you want to become a peacemaker, I encourage you to apply. We do all types of beliefs. Not just only Dine, but Native American Church, and Christians too. We have quite a few peacemakers that teach and are our peacemakers. So, that's like that. Thank you again. Thank you very much.

Harrison L. – okay, thank you. When they say peacemaking. It's not for you just talking about one another, it's for fixing something with K'e. So, things like probate too, right?

Myron B. – yes.

Harrison L. – things like that, like if you have a relative that had passed then they are a part of the conversation. Also, if you want to be part of that then he's here. Ask your questions to him and learn that process. He may be here for a while for you. If there are no other questions, then thank you. Moving forward.

b. **Guest: Mariann Benally, San Juan County Clerk's office, Bilingual Coordinator**

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**Mariann B.** – introduced herself. She works for San Juan County, and she does the fieldwork for them. Arlenta Horsedickie is my manager, she is in the office but if I have too much to do then she helps me. The reason why I am here is we are having elections again. Primary Election will be starting Tuesday June the 4th 2024. You told me 5 minutes, but it usually takes me 15 minutes. Election in San Juan County, in your District, in Santa Fe, and from Washington. Last year we had the regular local election, that was small. Now are the major elections. 2024 New Mexico Primary Election Tuesday, June 4, 2024, is the election day. There are three events at every election. Absentee Voting. Mail in voting. If you want to vote in that fashion you have to fill out an Absentee Ballot application. I have some over here in the office. Then you fill that out carefully, then send it back to the county. They take a close look at it and then when the election day comes, they send you a list of everything you need to vote in the envelope. You fill that out then you send it back again. On the envelope you need to sign your name and this election they want the last four digits of your social security number on there. It never was like that but now it is. And early voting is at five different locations in San Juan County. The first ones are opened on election day on June 4, 2024, for General Election. For the absentee voting, the absentee applications are available at San Juan County Clerks Office, also at the local chapter house, and we have a website [www.sjcclerk.net](http://www.sjcclerk.net). The Absentee Applications are also at the Post Offices. You complete absentee application and mail it to the clerk's office. If all information is correct the absentee ballot will be mailed. May 7, 2024, County Clerk's office will begin mailing absentee ballots. May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 is the last day for the county clerk office to mail out absentee ballots. When you get the absentee ballot, when the absentee ballot is received cast your vote, sign the outer envelope and include the last four digits of your social security number where the space is provided. When mailing your ballots, be sure they arrive at the County Clerk's office by Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 7pm. If it arrives after that date, it will not be counted, and it will be you didn't vote. Or you can take it to the polling place too, you give it to the workers, and they can take it back to the County. And this early voting starts at Aztec on May 7, 2024, to May 17, 2024, Monday – Friday, 7am – 5:30pm it will be open. May 18-June 1, 2024, Monday-Friday, 7a.m to 7p.m. Also, on Saturdays 10am to 6pm. Just not Memorial Day May 27, 2024, all early voting sites will be closed for Memorial Day. Early Voting site locations will start May 18, 2024 at Farmington Museum Gateway Park, Farmington Public Library, Bloomfield Cultural Center, Shiprock CCSD Business Office in the "A" Gym, Newcomb Fire Station from May 18 to June 1, 2024 Monday to Friday, 7am to 7pm. Saturdays 10am to 6pm. On Election Day there are 33 sites in San Juan County. You can vote anywhere in San Juan County, traveling or where you live. There will be voting places at the chapter houses. You can vote anywhere in San Juan County the day of the election Tuesday, June 4, 2024. Polling sites will be open 7am to 7pm. There are places in Kirtland, Aztec, Bloomfield, Blanco Fire Station, Flora Vista Fire Station, LaPlata Community Center. You can vote anywhere in San Juan County. If you're going to Window Rock you can vote in Crystal or Naschitti, or if you're going to Shiprock there's two places you can vote at during the General Election. And if you're going to Cortez you can vote in Shiprock too. If you're going to Durango, you can vote on La Plata Highway or in Aztec. If you're going to Albuquerque, then Nageezi is the last place to vote on the Election Day. So

**Harrison L.** – here too.

**Mariann B.** – yes at the chapters too, we'll have one here. Important date Election information is, last day to register to vote is Tuesday, May 7, 2024, for mail and online registration. Same day registration will be at all Early Voting and all the voting convenience centers. And you can contact the County Clerk's office too. And during this Primary Election you only vote for the three parties, Democratic, Republican, and Libertarian. And then we have an election board for the current election information at all chapter houses too. It is on the board back there. A sample ballot will be ready in May, check the chapter house for the sample. I will visit you again in May to give you that information. I also have a candidates list, and there is one on the bulletin board. At Burnham you can vote for Federal Offices, President of the United States, United States Senator, United States Representative District 3, and to here. All the candidates that are on the list. She named off all the candidates in this area. She also mentioned that they need poll workers and interpreters for this Primary Election and General Election. The San Juan County Bureau of Election needs poll workers to work at the polling during the County Wide Election. Please sign

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up to join our team. Please give your name, phone number and list of qualifications to the Bilingual Coordinator or call our office in Aztec at 505-334-9471. The phone numbers are all on the bulleting board in the back of the meeting hall. If you have additional questions, you can call the County Clerk's Office for more information. All the phone numbers and website are on the bulletin board. You were saying 5 minutes, and I went over.

Harrison L. – that's ok.

Mariann B. – and I handed out three ways to vote brochure to everyone. And the list of candidates I put up on your bulletin board, as well as who are candidates for Burnham. There is no Republican Party candidate named and the Libertarian Party too. She named off the Democratic Party candidate listed. That is the information I disclosed to you. Does anyone have a question? Did you all fall asleep. Thank you, and enjoy your day, and vote during the Primary Election, and thank the chapter officials too.

Harrison L. – and thank you too for visiting us and giving the election information. We know they will be setting up the voting machines on May 28, 2024. Then in June too. The major candidates, President of the United States Trump and Biden. That is just so you know. Thank you everyone.

c. Guest: Navajo Nation Election Office, Shiprock, NM

Harrison L. – the office worker just dropped off these pamphlets, we will hand them out to you. We, us officials sitting up here we are all up for election for our positions. The Navajo Nation is discussing that right now, and whoever it's open now. There are 7, no 8 positions that are open now. From here there is the Chapter President, Vice President, Secretary, Grazing Official, School Board, Land Board, and Farm Board. We don't have that from here but, our positions right here are open. Candidate filing will open in two weeks on April 25. We will hand out the paperwork, it is all written on there, and the fees for each candidate. Edison will pass them out. If you think you can do this then you have the opportunity to apply. That is for your information. They also need candidate filing fees and take pictures. Any questions on Navajo Nation Election? No questions.

d. Emergency Response Team will be deferred to next month it was ok with the motioning party.

Harrison L. – on this on "d", who is that?

Clara P. – that's not supposed to be on there, because we said we're going to do it until May.

Harrison L. – oh, she said not that one. Delete that one.

Clara P. – so, I sent the correct one and then that one they voted on to go through with it. So you got to ask the motioning party if it's ok to delete.

Harrison L. – so, who were the motioning parties.

Clara P. – Evalina and Lillian.

Harrison L. – Evalina and Lillian you are the motioning parties. On this one "d" let's remove it and put it on next month, is that okay?

Evalina and Lillian – yes.

Harrison L. – is that okay with you?

Evalina and Lillian – yes.

Harrison L. – okay. Now moving forward.

6. New Business (subject to change during the Planning Meeting)

Harrison L. – on 6, there are several listed. I don't know what you think about them. He briefly went over each resolution. The main one, this is for March. Did everyone pick up the paperwork here. That is for you to know. On "b" we will let you know clearly about this one soon. On "c", this one the water is being piped south, and some of it is diverted this way. It's called Cutter Lateral. Some of it is piped here, and some to us. Several of us. That one down south by Laguna by Grants, by Haystack, Whitehorse, Ojo Encino, all of them over there. They are talking about piping water to them too. So, this is just to support the agreement. We are using whatever is connected to us. And this year or next year it will be piped south and towards Moncisco Mesa and to Look'adeeshjiin. This one is going to be going south, we have many of our Dine'e living down there, and towards Tohajiileh. That's what they want, just a supporting resolution on "c". On "d". We informed you about this last year and you discussed it. At the intersection at Moncisco Mesa the cattleguard side brackets are destroyed. A lot of truckers turn there. They have to make a wide turn into the east bound lane in order for the back tires to not go in the ditch there but stay on the paved road.

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That is how you talked about that and discussed it. You had said you wanted that repaired, that one is getting approved. We will let you know further in a bit. On "e". Our Vice President will be participating on the Fair Board, he is willing to do that. He said he will be watching the ferries wheel. (laughter). He said he will sit on the Fair Board so just approve it for him. On "f". That one is for the summer students who will be working, we received some more funding for them. Approve that for them. On "g". This one we have second thoughts on it. We discussed it at CLUPC, and it's kind of difficult. We want the attorneys to take a look at it first was what we were told. So, when that time comes, we will discuss it. On "h". There are two that are taxes from the Navajo Tribe and the surrounding areas, if you are buying something we get some back. We are getting some more of that. And on "i", that one is.

Clara P. – junk.

Harrison L. – the other one I just told you about is 30,000, that is how much we will be getting from the Sales Tax. The next one is called the Junk Food tax or Unhealthy Tax. You use that when we are doing something here, they get things for us. That one too. How much is that one.

Clara P. - \$8,302.00.

Harrison L. – that one will be disclosed to you too. I don't know if you want to combine all of them together, or one at a time.

Clara P. – no we have got to do it one at a time.

Harrison L. – what do you think. Is that ok, or do it one at a time?

Evalina B. – combine them all together. Put it together so it will be quicker.

Harrison L. – what do the others think. On this one, on "g" I think we should do that later. The Department of Justice hasn't taken a look at it yet. On "g" that is the Plan of Operation, they put it together. Last two weeks right, no last week you discussed it. So, our lady sitting in the other room said that. So, on "g" lets defer it to the next meeting because due to Department of Justice review. Is that ok. Who made the main motion. Evalina?

Evalina B. – yes.

Harrison L. – who is the second? Lillian?

Lillian B. – yes.

Harrison L. – so you both made the motion to consensus all the resolutions together?

Evalina B. – yup.

Harrison L. – is that right. Are there any questions?

Clara P. – there's going to be questions on some of these.

Harrison L. – or do you just want it explained to you one at a time. All I did was briefly tell you what it was on. If you want an in-depth explanation, then the secretary/treasurer will do that. She will briefly explain it to you. All of them except "g".

- a) TTS-RES-24-04-32. APPROVING THE TIIS TSOH SIKAAD CHAPTER FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, ENDING MARCH 31, 2024

Clara P. – I really think there's a few that need to be discussed. She read the resolution into the minutes. She read the Fund Account balances and how to read them.

Harrison L. – so, she's saying that there are a few that will need to be discussed. Read it one at a time. Is that ok with you.

Evalina B. – yes do that.

Harrison L. – let's approve this one first. Some of these have funding in there so they want to inform you about it.

M: Evalina Begay      S: Lillian Bluehouse

Harrison L. – any questions on this that was read to you. If none then we will vote on this one.

V: 16 in favor, 00 against, 03 abstain      motion passed.

- b) TTS-RES-24-04-33. APPROVING THE AMENDED TIIS TSOH SIKAAD CHAPTER EMERGENCY BUDGET FUND FROM THE PREVIOUS BALANCE OF \$11,742.89 TO ACCURATELY DISCLOSE THE ALLOCATED FUNDING

Clara P. - read the resolution into the minutes. She went over the numbers on the whiteboard. Also, we had a meeting with Tanner and discussed what the FMS said and what process he wanted to do. Also to use the remainder of the balance on the decision he made. We decided to do grain

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and salt block due to the hay being moldy at NAPI. Maybe even save it for the first cut but we need to get them now. We also went over the list that was given to us and who already received services. So, it went down to 42 members that will get assisted with the grain and salt block. And we need documents for audit purposes. We need to have all the documents in place, so we don't run around at the last minute trying to find the paperwork. She asked if everyone understood her explanation. Rita B. – you officials are not discussing this with each other. The Emergency Fund was already given and now at this time you are taking it away from each other. Yes, we did approve of hay, you all were telling us that it was your decision. So, what we said changed again. But thank you for deciding on grain and salt. You need to plan this right, work together, don't be doing a tug of war with this. That is the reason why you are sitting up there for us. That is like that.

Clara P. – everything would have been good because the first resolution had \$350.00 x \_\_\_. He's supposed to enter the amount on how much he was going to purchase. So yes, on that, when I tell you information up here it's not from my own ok? I get my information from the AA and the chapter manager, and I disclose the information to you. On matters of the funding, okay. So, I didn't know. The first time I came in, there was one pallet. I thought ok, there was a pallet of pellets purchased, good hurry and give them away. Then when I came around again there were two more. I asked how many he was purchasing. I wasn't given information on it. So, my understanding this is where it happened. So right here there were already three that were purchased. She went over the numbers again.

Laverne B. – so, did you distribute all the pellets that were purchased?

Clara P. – I was informed it's all in there, at the northside of the meeting hall.

Laverne B. – and who is getting them.

Clara P. – six to whoever uses pellets. And I told them to pass it out again. Get rid of it. The pellets can't be stored all year long, they get powdery.

Laverne B. – so how many bags per person did we do. Voted for.

Harrison L. – six. Those that received pellets how many did you get. Five or six.

Roger M. – five.

Harrison L. – ok five. There are still some, they need to come back in and get some more. There's not much left.

Clara P. – I think there are 60 something bags he said.

Harrison L. – yeah.

Clara P. – so come on in and get some more pellets.

Harrison L. – for 11 people.

Clara P. – it is still cold out there, so. Especially in the evening overnight, first thing in the morning.

Harrison L. – go ahead. A question.

Shawnda B. – if you're getting help like that, we also want septic tank cleaning. And at Newcomb and the Navajo Nation the people only pay \$100.00 to get that service. And we don't have a septic tank cleaner. Monroe from Upper Fruitland, he's getting old, he is the only one we use. So, the water was good and propane, we were told hurry for your mother and father. We don't, we do have sheep, but this doesn't pertain to us since my father already got assisted with propane for \$17.00. There was one for my mother too. I was told, why did you pick one up for her. I told Charles I don't know you are the one that gave it to me. I didn't use it. It was \$24.00. I went to Country Gas and refilled it. The other one I don't know if I'm supposed to return it.

Clara P. – the vouchers you haven't used, just bring it back.

Shawnda B. – yeah, that's probably why. We don't need it right now. Our propane are filled. So, it is good. The water is good too. We used up that water it's good for drinking. It is heavy, and we have to haul it from Walmart. It lasted for a while. That was good. And septic tank cleaning, that would be good too. Just a suggestion.

Clara P. – yeah. There's a balance for septic tank but I need to know the details of how to use it and we can make that recommendation on there.

Shawnda B. – because that Monroe guy, he charges \$375.00.

Harrison L. – so, there are applications in the office here for septic tank clean out. There were several of you that came here two weeks ago, and your name is already listed. So, the applications are here. The funding is separate to pay for it, that one we can do that for you. Go see Charles.

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**Clara P.** – the Social Service came in a couple weeks ago, and we had an application drive here. And then people brought in their paperwork, they filled out their application and I made copies for them and gave them back their documents. Everyone that showed up that day, were all approved. It depends on your income too. There is an Income Guideline. That's the only thing, always an Income Guideline. Whether it's Social Service or somebody with a low income those are the ones that they help. So, the other people I think we can use this one but let me look more into it. See what the prices are and who will be the vendor.

**Harrison L.** – I think there were 11 people that got approved. They wanted 20, so there is still some more.

**Clara P.** – you still have time, go pick up an application then turn it into Social Service with all your documents all of it. If you have all your documents right away, it's faster. Then they don't wait for you again, trying to bring in your document. So, if you need copies let them make copies and take them all in and take that and see if you qualify ok.

**Harrison L.** – question, question.

**Ernest J.** – on this 350, there's supposed to be three quotes that need to be turned in and you can select that way this won't happen. Because of the audit that you were talking about. If it's not done it is a lot of work. It can't be happening like that, anything.

**Clara P.** – yeah, they were all written right here and that's what we went off of.

**Harrison L.** – on this that she's talking about on the grain. He brought in three quotes today and it's right here. We got it.

**Clara P.** – NAPI whole grain, Basin Coop too, and then somewhere in Cortez.

**Harrison L.** – now there is no mistake.

**Rita B.** – now.

**Clara P.** – understand? Any more questions? Shirley.

**Shirley B.** – last month I got firewood, so that makes me ineligible to get grain this time.

**Clara P.** – yes, we just had to get with Charles to see if you're eligible. If you know if you got something, then you know that you won't be eligible. Sorry. Theresa.

**Theresa J.** – me too. We got firewood too. I have a question. There are some permittees whose names are on there, but they have no sheep, no cattle. What are they going to do with that one?

**Harrison L.** – they can get wood, propane or pellets.

**Clara P.** – right now, it's just wood and pellets.

**Harrison L.** – yeah. Propane is completed. There is no food. They didn't say that. That was already passed out to you during Christmas.

**Clara P.** – the food was already done. We had hamburgers, ground mutton, chicken, can. I told him to call them, and he hurried and called them and they hauled it in right away.

**Harrison L.** – okay.

**Clara P.** – alright, anything else, anybody else.

**Harrison L.** – over here.

**Clara P.** – oh Tanner.

**Tanner B.** – thank you, Mr. President for the floor. Good afternoon, everyone hello. When we were initially talking about this, on our Emergency Meeting back on March 18th, 2024. That same day I got quotes from NAPI for hay. I got premium and then the big bale 3 twine. The big bales of the fair. We don't want the big bales; we want the 3-twine, so we kicked that to the side. We already got three quotes on the 18th and the 19<sup>th</sup>, and I believe the 21st for transportation. So, we were in the process of getting these quotes. We were also in the process of getting quotes from different companies out of Mancos, and Cortez however those were purchased when I had stopped working on it. And the reason why I stopped working on it was because on March 25th I received an e-mail from the chapter manager stating that the \$4,242.89 that was originally allocated on March at the emergency meeting for hay was reduced down to \$3318.14. That's not what the chapter constituency approved. So, I stopped working on getting quotes for hay, by that time the 3-twine premium hay that we talked about during the emergency meeting had already been rained on a lot. They said it was getting moldy. We don't want to give that to the constituents they don't deserve that kind of hay. And that was one of the reasons why I didn't turn in all the quotes at that time, was due to the e-mail that I had received, and due to this reduction from \$4,200.00 down to \$3300.00. I wasn't too happy about that because the constituents lost their money for their

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livestock. We spoke, all of us officials here along with Paul Begay, Paula Begay and even the chapter manager Charles Benally. We spoke on Wednesday to discuss the rest of this and just like Ms. Pierce explained we came to the conclusion of \$3621.73 was remaining that could be utilized for the livestock producers to make the justification to the unauthorized purchase of those pellets. 3 pallets of pellets on that recent resolution it only showed 350 x, but it was there was no actual number in there. That was a mistake that was made. However, I did initially identify 55 individuals for this distribution. Some of them are removed, such as Vice President Edison Smith, President Harrison LaMone, Administrative Assistant Paula Begay because they were either officials or staff members. Others were removed such as Gabriel Taylor, Jim Barber, Lorraine Hogue, Julius Benally, Faith Gilmore because they were not registered. They weren't registered and when I identified these individuals, I said well, these are all of the ones within Tiis Tsoh Sikaad that I'm aware of that own livestock. There were some more added by Paul Begay, but again there were some removed as well because these individuals according to the chapter administration, they brought in a listing. They said well here's a listing of individuals who received help these individuals received firewood, propane, or

Harrison L. - wood.

Tanner B. - pellets or wood. Yeah wood. They were saying wood, propane and they had to be removed. Shima, Theresa you were on the original listing but because you already received help you were removed. Shima Emma, you were on the original listing to receive this distribution, but you were removed because of the listing the chapter showed us. Said that you already received help. Same with shima Bradley. I did identify you on there, but you were removed. And we came to and even shima Lillian, you were on the listing that were recommended for this distribution, but you were removed because the chapter administration showed us listing that you already received help. And we had put up put it up to vote all of us chapter staff and officials and we said well are we gonna continue to distribute to everyone irregardless of whether they received help or not. Only Clara and I voted against that. We wanted everyone to get help. I mean only Clara and I voted for that, irregardless of whether you received help or not you were going to get this distribution here. But the others voted against it and said that those who received help already are not gonna get this distribution. So that brought our numbers down from about 66, removing the non-registered, those who received help and it brought it down to 41. And then they also said that well we want to make it so that everyone is fair that those who received propane and wood only got about \$50.00 worth. And so that only means one salt block and five bags of grain out of the 358 bags. That's gonna leave us, if we're gonna do it that way that's gonna leave us with some bag's leftover. And I'm hoping that we here now can maybe add some language to the resolution stating that. Mr. President stating that you know we're temporarily weighing the policy to distribute the remaining bags leftover to the livestock producers who weren't listed in list 41 here. So that's where we're at. So, I did turn in a quote from Basic Coop in Durango, Tractor Supply to Farmington, and IFA at Farmington. So, Basin Co-op is the most least expensive. They're giving me a discount from, to the chapter for the four way and the salt blocks. So, and they're willing to do the delivery charge of about \$152.00 or so, but that's where we're at. That's how this decision was made.

Evalina B. - how sad, just carry on.

Tanner B. - so, thank you very much.

Harrison L. - does anyone have a question before we start voting on it.

Laverne B. - next.

Harrison L. - okay, moving on. If you're in agreement I need a motion.

Tanner B. - Harrison, can we make an amendment to the resolution to distribute the remaining to those that already received assistance.

Harrison L. - yeah, that's what you said. Who made the motion? He is saying any leftovers can be distributed to everyone. Is that ok?

Motion to approve resolution and distribute the left over bags to the remaining permittees on the list

M: Laverne B.                      S: Rita Begaye

Harrison L. - questions? That's it right. If you're in agreement, raise your hand. Everybody's vote counts.



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Harrison L. – that’s it, it was all read back to you. What do you think about that. Who was it that wanted to consensus all of it together. Is that still the same.

Evalina B. – yes.

Harrison L. – who is the second.

Clara P. – Lillian.

Harrison L. – Lillian is that okay.

Lillian B. – yes.

Harrison L. – okay. Are there any questions? Alright, raise your hands. The food is done. We are almost done. Maybe 10 more minutes, or 5.

V: 14 in favor, 0 against, 3 abstain                      motions passed.

## 7. Reports (5 minutes each)

a. Navajo Nation Council Delegate – not present.

b. Chapter Officials:

i. Chapter President -

ii. Vice President – no report

iii. Secretary/Treasurer – I just have one. When we were going through this listing of names and stuff and stuff like that. So there’s some names of your loved ones that you need to remove from the election office. Get your certificate of death and take it over there for them and have them remove those names. That way the chapter can have an accurate count and we don’t have to go through these names everytime we’re trying to get you assistance. Okay, can you guys please do that. So we can get an accurate count. There’s two pages on here that have, those names have to be removed because these people have passed. Thank you.

Harrison L. – so, there are a lot of names still on there.

Laverne B. – can you post it on the board so we can see.

Harrison L. – ok we’ll do that. There’s about 3 or 4, some of them I did change them. I did ask several people. Two are over there, Louise Benally, Betty Benally we need to know when they passed. We all know they passed. They just want to know when. There was one more, who was it. I think that’s it. Just two. Betty Benally and her mom, they don’t know when she passed. I know back in 2018 for Betty, her mom they don’t know. They just want the date. It will be posted over there.

iv. Grazing Official – we’re having a 1st Annual Spring Livestock Roundup, it’s going to be Saturday April 27. It will be at the Upper Fruitland Rodeo grounds. We’re going to have the Basin Co-op from Durango that will be there, the University of Arizona’s going to be there, IFA of Farmington is going to be there. You can bring your livestock if you want. We’re gonna have a sponsor for vaccinations, sheep and cattle vaccinations. There’s gonna be some hoof trimming demonstrations for horses, cattle, sheep, and the

Harrison L. – how about castration?

Tanner B. - I don’t know if we’re gonna be doing that. I’ll ask if we can do some castration presentations on how to do that. So, there’s gonna be a presentation of parasites and other heard health topics. We are gonna have some food. So, this is a District 13 1st Annual Spring Livestock Roundup/Heard Health event, it’s gonna be hosted by Upper Fruitland, Nenahnezad, Tiis Tsoh Sikaad, and even San Juan chapter. So, we’re all going to be there on April 27th at the rodeo grounds. So, and it is gonna be 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. So, I’ll have a flyer posted on the Tiis Tsoh Sikaad Facebook deal as well as, I could go ahead and send everyone some pictures for that as well. So that’s about it for, for the grazing side.

v. CLUPC – on the 22nd were going to have a Public Meeting her for the community Cemetery. We’re going to talk about family plots, and we’re going to talk about the Burial Regulations, we’re going to talk about Land Withdrawal/Designation for the community cemetery, and even for all the family plots in Tiis Tsoh Sikaad/Burnham Chapter. So for CLUPC, if you have how many of you have family plot. Raise your hand. So I’d like to get with everyone. I’d like to take a picture of your family plot, get some GPS Coordinates because CLUPC will be working on the resolution to recommend to the chapter to have them grandfathered in. To have them all established as family plot cemeteries, and as well there will be a Plan

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of Operation that's going to be discussed for the community cemetery, as well as the family plots. For the family plots we'll have to have one person who's going to be the administrator over it, so. But for the chapter it'll probably be the chapter manager. But like I said I'd like to get your GPS Coordinates and I'd like to get pictures of the family plot. So when we're going to have our meeting for CLUPC on April 22nd, I'm going to have a powerpoint presentation here. We're going to discuss the Burial Regulations and we're going to discuss some of those things that are required at that presentation at that meeting. So, that's where we're at for CLUPC. But that's about it. Tally Counts still being conducted, horse round up will happen very soon. I'll be getting some panels from BIA, so we'll be doing the horse roundup pretty soon. Thank you.

vi. Chapter Manager – no report.

## 8. Announcements

### a. Upcoming Meetings

Chapter Planning meeting – Friday, May 3, 2024 @ 11:00a.m. (tentative, subject to change)

CLUPC Meeting: May 3, 2024 @ 10 a.m.

Chapter Regular meeting – Friday, May 10, 2024 @ 11:00a.m. (tentative, subject to change)

Tiis Tsoh Sikaad Grazing Permittee meeting April 26, 2024 @ 10a.m

CLUPC Public Meeting for Cemetery April 22, 2024 @ 10:00am

Earth Day April 26, it will be combined with Permittees meeting. So, the funding that you just approved we will use some of that money for that to have a cookout. and Trash pickup April 22, 2024

Spring Session Navajo Nation Council April 15-19, 2024, daily at 10:00am

Gathering of Nations April 25 to 27, 2024

## 9. Adjournment

Harrison L. – I need a Motion to adjourn this meeting, otherwise we're going to stay.

M: Laverne B.

S: Shawnda B.

V: 14 in favor, 0 against, 2 abstain

Time of adjournment: 1:24pm