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**White Rock Local Government
 Regular Meeting Minutes
 April 15, 2024**

- I. **Roll Call** - Roll call was made by Norman Henry, Council President

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council President, Norman Henry	<input type="checkbox"/> Council Delegate, Danny Simpson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Vice-President, Gilbert Roger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter Manager, Tabitha Harrison
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Secretary Treasurer, Nancy Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative Assistant, Tina Pablo
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Board Member, Irwin Jim	

- II. **Call Meeting to Order** – Meeting called to order by Norman Henry, Council President at 10:53 a.m.

- III. **Invocation** – Invocation provided by Michael Etcitty, community member.

- IV. **Review and Approval of Agenda** - Agenda was read into record by Gilbert Roger, Council Vice-President. Add:
 - 1.) Guest Speakers: Native American Election Program Liaison – Helen Crosby
 - 2.) Resolutions: WRLG-024-023 – WHITE ROCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REQUESTS TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ON OF THE 25TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO INCLUDE WHITE ROCK CHAPTER AS AT-LARGE WITH LAKE VALLEY CHAPTER IN THE EASTERN NAVAJO AGENCY/TIISTSOZI CROWNPOINT SCHOOL THAT WAS APPROVED ON MARCH 11, 2024
 Motion made by Herman Henry to accept meeting agenda with two agenda additionS.
 Motion seconded by Lester Begay Vote: 14-0-1

- V. **Review and Approval of Previous Journal of Proceedings** – March 18, 2024 meeting minutes.
 Nancy Brown, Council Secretary Treasurer read into record previous journal for March 18, 2024 Regular meeting minutes. Motion made by Lester Begay to accept meeting minutes without any changes. Motion seconded by Michael Etcitty Vote: 12-0-3
 *Adele Begay questioned; she did not attend Planning meeting & if not familiar with the agenda items, does she “Abstain”. Norman Henry, Council President responded; yes you can “Abstain” while voting.

- VI. **Review and Approval of Financial Report:** Combined Balance Sheet – March 2024.
 Nancy Brown, Council Secretary Treasurer read into record the fund balances for Combined Balance Sheet for the month of March 2024.
 Motion made by Lester Begay to accept meeting minutes without any changes. Motion seconded by Adele Begay Vote: 14-0-1

- VII. **Guest Speakers**
 - 1. Office of San Juan County Clerk – Arlenta Horse-Dickie
 Provided information on the 2024 New Mexico Primary Election, which will be held on June 04, 2024. Some of the information provided was on; absentee voting, early voting, alternate locations for early voting, 33 voting sites on election day, when is last day to register,

Norman Henry, Council President
 Gilbert Roger, Council Vice-President
 Nancy Brown, Council Secretary / Treasurer

Tabitha Harrison, Chapter Manager
 Tina Pablo, Administrative Assistant
 Irwin Jim, Land Board Member

Dannv Simson. Council Delegate

sample ballots will be available in May. Poll workers or Interpreters needed. Went through the candidate listing.

*Lester Begay questioned; if you live in McKinley County, can you vote in San Juan County. Arlenta responded; no, if you live within McKinley County, you have to vote in McKinley County.

2. Native American Election Program Liaison – Helen Crosby
Provided updated information on the 2024 New Mexico Primary Election, which will be held on June 04, 2024. She also stated that she works with several tribes with the State of New Mexico keeping everyone abreast on the upcoming election.

VIII. **Alstédaa Resolution (Old Business) - None**

IX **Aniidi Resolution (New Business)**

Approval

1. PEP

Supervisor – Summer Youth Employment

•Start date: 04-29-24 to 07-19-24

•Application Deadline: 04-25-24

•Interview date: 04-26-24

Motion made by Lester Begay to accept PEP Supervisor for Summer Youth Employment. Motion seconded by Adele Begay Vote: 14-0-1

Resolutions

1. **WRLG-024-018:** BUDGET REVENUE FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024, \$337.99
Motion made by Lester Begay to accept Resolution No.: WRLG-024-018. Motion seconded by Helen Lewis Vote: 13-0-1
2. **WRLG-024-019:** APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 NAVAJO GAMING REVENUE CARRYOVER BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF 2,057.65
*Adele Begay questioned; How are Casino revenue distributed by the Navajo Nation. Nancy Brown, Council Secretary Treasurer responded; Council Delegate will be able to answer during next meeting
Motion made by Michael Etcitty to accept Resolution No.: WRLG-024-019. Motion seconded by Adele Begay Vote: 13-0-3
3. **WRLG-024-020:** SUPPORTING AND APPROVING WHITE ROCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING COMMITTEE ACCEPTING EVA ETSITTY AS A NEW MEMBER
Motion made by Michael Etcitty to accept Resolution No.: WRLG-024-020. Motion seconded by Adele Begay Vote: 13-0-1
4. **WRLG-024-021:** WHITE ROCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REQUESTING TO THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT WITH INSTALLATION OF LED SOLAR STREET LIGHT OFF OF NEW MEXICO HIGHWAY 371 SAN JUAN COUNTY ROAD 8890 ENTRANCE
*Michael Etcitty stated that a "Reduce Speed sign" is needed, and vegetation removal is needed at the entrance area.
*Anderson Jim also stated that near County Road 8870, road needs to be lowered near entrance, hazardous area because drivers are not able to see oncoming traffic/vehicles
Motion made by Herman Henry to accept Resolution No.: WRLG-024-021. Motion seconded by Lester Begay Vote: 14-0-1

5. **WRLG-024-022:** WHITE ROCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS REQUESTING THE NAVAJO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BIA NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, AND JANICE PADILLA, LAND BOARD MEMBER FOR ASSISTANCE WITH LIVESTOCK TRESSPASSING FROM TWO LIVESTOCK OWNERS; OLSEN JUAN/GLENDA JUAN AND EDISON TSO

*Anderson Jim explained into detail the concern regarding Resolution. How he confronted the livestock owners on several occasions, and if this situation is ignored, it could lead into firearm usage and further physical confrontations.

*Michael Etcitty also stated that he is experiencing the same situation with livestock trespassing, livestock drinking water that is hauled by his children, small children afraid of the livestock

Motion made by Anderson Jim to accept Resolution No.: WRLG-024-022. Motion seconded by Herman Henry Vote: 13-0-2

6. **WRLG-024-023:** WHITE ROCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REQUESTS TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ON OF THE 25TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO INCLUDE WHITE ROCK CHAPTER AS AT-LARGE WITH LAKE VALLEY CHAPTER IN THE EASTERN NAVAJO AGENCY/TIISTSOZI CROWNPOINT SCHOOL THAT WAS APPROVED ON MARCH 11, 2024

Motion made by Lester Begay to accept Resolution No.: WRLG-024-023. Motion seconded by Adele Begay Vote: 14-0-4

X. Reports

- Gilbert Roger, Council Vice-President went through the meetings he attended for the month of March and April.
- Norman Henry, Council President also briefly went through the meetings he attended for the month of March and April.
- Irwin Jim reported that permits are being renewed, dam rehabilitation ongoing within community, Majority of dam rehabilitations on the Northside completed. Currently, dams on the Southside are being rehabilitated.
- Stepanie Shorty, CHR reported that Covid virus is still active, there are some hantavirus cases, and measles cases have also been reported.

XI. Next Tentative Regular Council meeting – May 13, 2024 at 9 a.m.

XII. Announcements

- 04-16-24: White Rock Veterans Committee meeting at 9 am
- 04-19-24: Bingo (for Youth Education Teepee day in June) at 5 pm
- 04-26-24: Monthly Collaboration meeting @ 9 a.m.

XIII. Adjournment - Regular meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m. Motion made by Michael Etcitty to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Herman Henry. Vote: 14-0-1