

Gadii'ahi/To'koi Chapter Government

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CHAPTER MEETING SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

6:27 pm by Harry Descheene, Chapter President

II. INVOCATION - OPEN

Harry Descheene, Chapter President
Alanna Navaho did the Pledge of Allegiance

III. READING/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Read by Harry Descheene, Chapter President. There were no questions or comments.

Motion: Laura Tom-Jones

Second: Quentin Navaho

VOTE: 15-00-01

IV. READING/APPROVAL OF CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 28, 2025

There was a motion made to accept the meeting minutes as submitted. The community membership had the opportunity to read the minutes as it was distributed with their packets. There were no questions or comments.

Motion: Lucinda Lee

Second: Sandra Johnson

VOTE: 14-00-02

V. GUEST(S)

1. Honorable Amber K. Crotty, Council Delegate. Delegate Crotty not in attendance. Budget passed by council. There are some line-items that were vetoed. President line-item vetoed travel budget for council. President Nygren also line-item vetoed LDA's budgets so Delegate Crotty's LDA was laid off two days ago. Delegate Crotty is going to request to re-instate her LDA and she can use Delegate Crotty's salary. At our planning meeting, I really need a project for the farmers for the San Juan Mitigation Fund. I need a proposal for the sediment pond or holding pond. I need to know how much it's going to cost. Fund 21, are we getting any funding for that?
2. Mary Ann Benally, San Juan County, New Mexico. Mary Ann Benally provided an update on the small election coming up. Ms. Benally handed out a flyer with the 2025 Regular Local Election information and three ways to vote.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Resolution Item(s)
 - a. None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Chapter Officials

Harry Descheene, President
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Sylvia A. Tyler, Secretary/Treasurer

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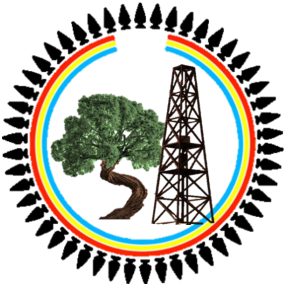
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1. Resolution Item(s)

- a. **GAD/TOK FY 2025-054:** Approving Financial Report for August 1-31, 2025. The resolution item was presented by Sylvia A. Tyler, Secretary/Treasurer.

Motion: Sandra Johnson

Second: Arnold Nelson

No.	Fund	Description	Amount
1	Fund 01	General Activity Fund	\$16,170.60
2	Fund 03	Land Claims	\$11,984.53
3	Fund 08	Youth Employment	\$28,247.93
4	Fund 09	Housing Assistance Fund	\$37,382.42
5	Fund 10	LGA Grant	\$38,840.46
6	Fund 12	Chapter Official Stipend	\$13,754.13
7	Fund 13	Scholarship General Fund	\$19,945.91
8	Fund 14	Land Claims Scholarship	\$0.00
9	Fund 15	Public Employment Fund	\$68,323.82
10	Fund 16	Veterans Fund	\$6,072.18
11	Fund 17	Emergency Fund	\$49,159.78
12	Fund 21	Chapter Repair & Maintenance	\$18,518.65
13	Fund 23	Navajo Nation Sales Tax	\$39,174.50
14	Fund 24	\$100,000 Capital	\$26,806.22
15	Fund 26	Farm Board	\$59.83
16	Fund 27	\$200,000	\$28,203.99
17	Fund 28	Chapter Capital Projects	\$34,453.25
18	Fund 40	Healthy Dine Nation Sales Tax	\$45,484.22
Total:			\$482,582.42

There were no questions or comments.

VOTE: 14-00-01

- b. **GAD/TOK FY 2025-055:** Accepting & Approving FY2025-2026 Chapter Budget-\$263,330

Motion: Lucinda Lee

Second: Lorena Walter

Resolution item presented by Janice Biggs, Community Services Coordinator. The budget needs to be adjusted and chapter officials agreed to have a special meeting.

Motion to table for special meeting for September 24, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

Motion: Sandra Johnson

Second: Quentin Navaho

VOTE: 13-00-03

- c. **GAD/TOK FY 2025-056:** Accepting & Approving Budget Revision within Fund 08, Fund 10, and Fund 15 - \$17,622.80

Presented by Lynda Hayes, Chapter Vice President.

Motion: Laura Tom-Jones

Second: Lorena Walter

VOTE: 15-00-01

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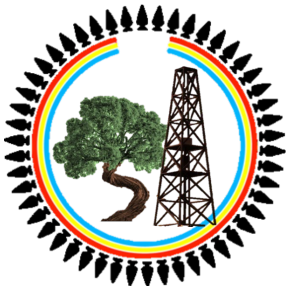
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VIII. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Chapter Manager Report. No revenue for month of August 2025. Financial reports were completed. Still looking for office aide, maintenance person. Senior Center is still delivering food. Still have applications for Light-up Navajo with NTUA.
2. Grazing Official Report. Miss Lee provided her report.
3. CLUPC Report. Ms. Sandra Johnson provided a brief report. She encouraged everyone to attend the meetings.
4. Fair Board Report. Gave an update on in the fair activities. Requested the DOT to go along 491. Did get permit and got insurance for the parade and working on permit and water permit as well. Coordinator for Rodeo and Pow Wow requested for better dirt work for the rodeo ground and Pow Wow arena. The chapter donated metal so they can put up shade over the bleachers at the Pow Wow. Carnival purchased a new ride, estimate value of \$1M, that will be the unit at Northern Navajo Fair. Parade is starting an hour early this year. Starting at 7:00 am, instead of 8:00. Line up starts at 3:00 am. We were capped at 130 for entries. Have some changes to the management of the fair. We contracted the Director with our Accountant. Also eliminated the Safety Coordinator and put into contract with Security. Will try to get passes for the next meeting for raffle. We are sponsors for the fair. Meeting every Monday at 6:00 pm. Families are our strength. If you come to our special meeting, there will be a drawing for fair passes.
5. Farm Board Rep Report. Mr. Dee noted there was a meeting on September 8, 2025. Low participation. I would like to have a meeting here next month. Farm Board meeting took place on September 9, 2025 at Hogback. Farm Board Rep's were informed to meet once a month. The first one will be October 1, 2025 and November 4, 2025. There are some farmers who have lost their crop. Crop report is very important. You must have one.
6. San Juan River Dine Water Users Report. Mr. Nelson asked Delegate Crotty about the crop damage at Upper Fruitland due to water break from NAPI. In addition, due to muddy water, the water had to be shut off. Is there still insurance for this type of loss? It's not crop insurance, it's drought insurance and it does not cover individuals. SJDWU is trotting along and making changes. Debit/Credit card payments are accepted as well as on-line payments. Looking for fiscal agent that will not charge a lot to handle funds. One of our Operators passed on at home. Another person was hired in place of him. Going to the State for funding request to sustain organization. Have to great individuals who have revived the organization.

IX. NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

Special Meeting will be October 24, 2025

Regular Chapter October 15, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

Agency Council Meeting will be held at Upper Fruitland Chapter on September 20, 2025 at 9:00 am.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Lucinda Lee

Second: Quentin Navaho

VOTE: 15-00-01

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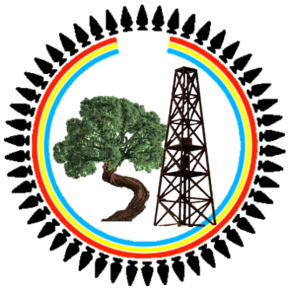
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Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

SUBMITTED BY: *Sylvia A. Tyler*
Sylvia A. Tyler, Secretary/Treasurer

09/19/25
Date

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