

HUERFANO CHAPTER #91

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Huerfano Chapter Regular Meeting June 8, 2025 – 1:00 pm

MINUTES

- I. **Meeting Called to Order:** Irene L Harvey called the meeting to order at 1:18 pm
- II. **Invocation:** Given by Rebecca Eldridge
- III. **Roll Call:**

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Irene L. Harvey, Chapter President	x	
Lucinda L. Kitseallyboy, Chapter Vice-President	x	
Chapter Secretary/Treasurer (vacant)		
Danny Simpson, Council Delegate		x
Veronica Pablo-Tso, Land Board	x	
Daniel Armstrong, Land Board	x	

- IV. **Sergeant at Arms:** Irene L. Harvey asked Mae Benally, and she accepted to be the Sergeant at Arms for today's meeting.
- V. **Adoption of Agenda:** Irene L. Harvey read the agenda to the community. Correction made under-report to correct Veronica's last name. Lucinda L. Kitseallyboy will add the Joint Land Board to the June 20, 2025, announcement. Mae Benally motioned to approve the agenda. Seconded by Wilson Kosea. Vote: 19-0-2
- VI. **Approval of Previous Regular Chapter Meeting Minutes – May 4, 2025):**
Lucinda L. Kitseallyboy made copies of the minutes from last month's meeting. Irene L. Harvey asked voters to read or accept the minutes. Elaine Derusse made the motion to accept the minutes of May 4, 2025. Seconded by Susan Charles. Vote 17-0-1
- VII. **Financial Report (April 1, 2025 – April 30, 2025) and (May 1-31, 2025)**
Irene L. Harvey will have Lucinda L. Kitseallyboy review the April and May 2025 financial reports. Wilson Kusen made a motion to accept the financial reports for April and May 2025. Seconded by Paula Werito. Vote: 21-0-4 Wilson Kosea questions the different accounts. Lucinda L. Kitseallyboy explains most of them with Irene L. Harvey's help.

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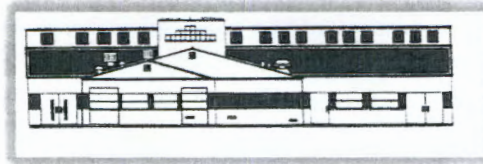
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VIII. Presentation: (10 Minutes)

a. **San Juan County Election Office- Arlenta Horse-Dickie** Arlenta Horse-Dickie attended today's meeting and explained the process for running. The last day to file is August 26, 2025, at 5:00 pm. The following are vacant: Farmington Municipal Schools District 1, San Juan Soil and Water District- Position 3 and 4. If you have any questions, call Alyssa Kuhn, county clerk, at 505.334.9471. Mae Benally motioned to approve today's presentation today. Seconded by Paula Werito. Vote: 22-0-2

IX. New Business: Resolution(s)

- a. **HUE-040-2025 Navajo Nation Sales Tax Funds \$18,918.00** Irene L. Harvey explained this amount is coming from the Navajo Nation. Next month, we should see an increase in this account. Mae Benally motioned to approve this resolution for the Navajo Nation Tax for \$18,918. Seconded by Dorothy Castiano. Vote: 24-0-3
- b. **HUE-041-2025 Poll Officials for the Chapter Secretary/Treasurer Special Election on June 10, 2025,** Irene L. Harvey explained that the three poll workers would be Paula Werito, Beulah Joe, and JoLinda Curley. They will attend training in Crownpoint, NM, on June 9, 2025. Paula Werito spoke up, stating that the Election had contacted her to be the head official for this special election. She has been doing this for a long time, and we need others to step and help. Gilbert Benally asked why both candidates were not here to introduce themselves. Andrew Benally asked what were the requirements. Irene L. Harvey explained the requirement. Elaine D told the group that Donovan Begay served as our pro-temp Secretary/Treasurer for three months. Marilyn Benally was introduced and presented herself, explaining why she was running. Wilson Kosea made the motion to approve the resolution. Seconded by Gilbert D. Benally. Vote: 23-0-2
- c. **HUE-042-2025 Supporting Resolution of Fund for the Carson-Burnham Regional Water System Project sponsor by Danny Simpson**
Danny Simpson was not presented, so Irene L. Harvey read the resolution. The main thing was replacing the water pipe to 8" to give more water flow. Gilbert D. Benally made the motion to accept the resolution. Seconded by Wilson Kosea. Vote: 21-0-5
- d. **HUE-043-2025 Supporting Resolution for Capacity Builders, INC. for a grant program application for culturally based harm reduction by and for Native communities in NM.**
Amanda Johnson introduced herself and explained the program. Capacity Builders Inc. is applying for a grant, program, "Culturally Based Harm Reduction by and for Native Communities in New Mexico", from the NM Tribal Behavioral Health Providers Association and Americans for Indian Opportunity in collaboration with Vital Strategies. The program is focused on reducing harm and deaths by overdoses among Native people who use drugs and adopting the use of harm reduction principles, including Indigenous harm reduction principles. Capacity Builders, Inc. would like to present the culturally based

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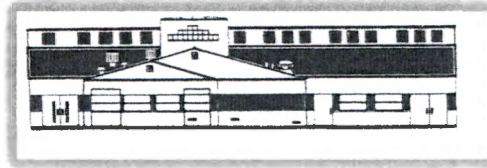
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Curriculum to children entitled, "Good Medicine" during summer programs and at schools. This no-cost, hands-on program combines the wisdom of Native practices of wellness combined with the insights of science to avoid the dangers of substance misuse. Gilbert Benally mentioned from the planning meeting that this was a grant from the federal government and not from the Huerfano Chapter. Elaine D asked if they could work with Hanaa dli, a dorm student. Amanda Johnson said she would contact the school. Gilbert D. Benally made the motion to approve the resolution. Seconded by Marian L. Benally. Vote: 24-0-2

e. HUE-044-2025 Supporting Resolution for Hanaadli's Veterans request for \$500.00 for Office Supplies Fund from 01 Chapter Activities General Fund

Irene Harvey explained that this resolution is coming from the Veteran, and they are requesting \$500 for supplies. The money will be allocated to the Chapter activities fund in 01 account. Irene L. Harvey explained when they are ready to purchase supplies, they will need to submit three quotes. Gilbert Benally motioned to approve this resolution. Second by Wilson Kosea. The vote was 24-0-3. Gilbert D. Benally questioned why they were not here today, but Irene L Harvey stated that the voters just needed to approve the money with this resolution. The veterans were here during the planning on June 4, 2025.

f. HUE-045-2025 Supporting Resolution for the two (2) personnel Randy Larvingo for authorized signers for chapter vehicle's fuel card with Red Mesa Trading Co.

Irene L. Harvey explained that this resolution is to add Randy Larvingo as a signer for the fuel card with Red Mesa Trading Co. This would help Ina Gillis avoid having to accompany staff to fuel units. Gilbert D. Benally asked who would be responsible for paying the bill. Irene L. Harvey stated the Huerfano Chapter House. Wilson Kosea made the motion to approve this resolution. Seconded by Irene Begay. Vote: 20-0-5

X. Housing Discretionary: Resolution(s)

a. HUE-046-2025 Mae Benally, requesting financial assistance from the Housing Discretionary Funds for repair to the inside and outside of the home. Mae Benally introduced herself and stated she would like to purchase some materials to repair the inside and outside. The application was completed, and she did attend the planning meeting. Mae Benally will go with Lowe's quote.

b. HUE-047-2025 JoLinda Curley, requesting financial assistance from the Housing Discretionary Funds for the replacement of window, door, and inside the home. JoLinda Curley introduced herself and stated that she would like to purchase new windows, doors, and materials to repair the interior of the house. The application was completed, and she did attend the planning meeting. JoLinda Curley will go with Lowe's quote.

c. HUE-048-2025 Cher L. Pinto, requesting financial assistance from the Housing Discretionary Funds for the survey. Cher L. Pinto introduced herself and requested funds to assist with the survey. She would

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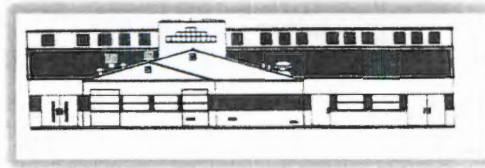
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like to move close to her mother, which is part of the homesite lease process. The application was completed, and she did attend the planning meeting.

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d. **HUE-049-2025 Lavelle A. Knotchapone, requesting financial assistance from the Housing Discretionary Funds for the survey.** Lavelle A. Knotchapone introduced herself and requested funds to assist with the survey fee. She would like to move back to the reservation. The application was completed, and she did attend the planning meeting. Gilbert D. Benally motioned to approve and combine a-d for housing discretionary funds. Seconded by Wilson Kosea. Vote: 21-0-5

XI. REPORTS:

- a. **Danny Simpson, Council Delegate** not present
- b. **Irene L. Harvey, Chapter President** gave report
- c. **Lucinda L. Kitseallyboy, Chapter Vice-President** no report do to time
- d. **Veronica Pablo-Tso, Land Board** gave report
- e. **Daniel Armstrong, Land Board** gave report
- f. **Pat Scott, CHR** not present
- g. **Others** none

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. **June 5, 2025, Land Board Mtg @ 11 am HCH**
- b. **June 5, 2025, Senior Center "Older Americans Month" @ 8 am to 3 pm**
- c. **June 7, 2025, ENA Meeting @ 9:00 am @ Alamo Chapter**
- d. **June 8, 2025, Regular Chapter Meeting @ 1:00 pm**
- e. **June 9, 2025, Youth Job Orientation @ 8 am**
- f. **June 10, 2025, Special Election Secretary and Treasurer**
- g. **June 11, 2025 Huerfano Veterans Meeting 6:00 pm**
- h. **June 20, 2025, Eastern Joint Land Board Agency Meeting @ in Almo chapter**
- i. **June 19, 2025, Holiday HCH close**
- j. **June 25, 2025 Echo 9 am to 10 am parking lot**
- k. **June 27, 2025, Home Improvement Program 9 am to 2 pm**

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Mae Benally motioned to adjourn at 4:48 pm, seconded by Dorothy Castiano. Vote: 16-0-1

Planning meeting minutes completed by Lucinda L. Kitseallyboy on 6-13-25.

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