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Cornfields Chapter Regular Meeting & Community Christmas Dinner

Sunday, December 14, 2025 @ 1:00pm

MINUTES

I. **Meeting Call to Order:** This Meeting was called to order by Mr. Tyrone Chee, Council President at 1:10pm.

II. **Invocation:** Provided by Mr. Tyrone Chee, Council President.

III. **Roll Call**

	i. Present	Absent
Mr. Tyrone Chee, Council President	X	
Mr. Wallace James, Jr., Council Vice-President	X	
Ms. Sharon Smith, Council Secretary/Treasurer	X	
Mr. Patrick Yazzie, Grazing Official		X

IV. **Announcements/Introduction:**

1. Mr. Roy Dempsey, Community Outreach Presentation, Tsehotsooi Medical Center Preventative Self Care – telling a Coyote Story in comparison to events that occur today.
2. Ms. Dixie Barlow, Community Liaison, Sage Memorial Hospital An overview of Services provided by Sage Memorial Hospital, Overview of Purchase Referred Care services
3. Tsehotsooi Mobile Clinic – Monday, December 22, 2025 10a-2p
4. Sage Memorial Hospital Mobile Clinic – Thursday, December 18, 2025
5. AZ Legislative Day at the AZ State Capitol – Wednesday, December 17, 2025
6. Other Resolutions to be added – CF-DEC2025-12
7. Other(s):
Mr. John McIntosh – Community Member expressed word of gratitude for Cornfields Chapter assisting in their Educational Enrichment.
Ms. KinDahLichii Olta – Ms. _____ Curtis, Introduction and entertainment.

V. **Reading & Approval of Agenda**

Approval to add Resolutions CF-DE

M: Mr. Jimmie Taliman, Sr. S: Mr. Warren Thomas VOTE: 52 – 0 – 1

VI. **Approval of Last Meeting Minutes: 11/09/25 Regular Chapter Meeting**

M: Norma Noble S: Ruthie Nez VOTE: 54 – 0 – 1

VII. **Old Business:**

1. Business Report November 2025: Ms. Alfreda Earle, Chapter Manager
M: Warren Thomas S: Elizabeth Johnson VOTE: 54 – 0 – 1
Provided by Ms. Alfreda Earle, Chapter Manager
Business Hours of Operation
Inventory of Hay – currently at 50 Bales and sold for \$17.49
ARPA Updates

Home Improvements under ARPA was put on hold causing a layoff for the workers . The Chapter is still waiting for its last drawdown for remaining ARPA funds that were budgeted for Chapters. As she looked into this issue further, she found that the Chapter's were not being reviewed, the staff who were responsible to review were not clear how the expenditures work.

Presently, she

Septic Cleaning had been assigned to EPA for overseeing it as an ARPA Project, but there are no efforts put forth to complete the tasks, the Chapter was given back the list and will be calling the people on the list.

11/13/25 First Leadership Meeting held with all the Chapter Officials. These meetings will continue as there is so much to learn.

11/20/25 Attended a training with I.H.S. on Safe Water Training with Audrey Yazzie

11/24/25 BID Opening with CPMD for Equipment Carryover.

Chapter Community Activities – The Chapter decided to hold Bingo once a month since Halloween and the community seem to enjoy the activities..

Everyone enjoyed the meal provided today. The Chapter partnered with NTEC. The Chapter will be giving out Elder Goodie Bags and Christmas Sacks.

Question(s):

Dr. Vera Johnson – questioned who all the staff that are employed with the Chapter is. When she comes to do business with the Chapter, she does not know who the staff are in the office.

Mr. Albert Johnson – Shared that the Leadership Efforts being put forth and planned by the Council Position is a positive outlook for the Community.

Entertainment provided by Miss Kindahlichii Olta

VIII. New Business:

1. **CF- DEC2025-09:** Requesting Approval for Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Amendment of the Cornfields Chapter General Activity Funds for the Month of November 2025 in the Amount of \$7,061.39.
M: Jimmie Taliman **S: Sandra Yazzie** **VOTE: 54 – 0 – 1**
No Questions Posed
2. **CF-DEC2025-10:** Accepting and Approving the Cornfields Chapter Financial Report for the Month of November 2025
M: Elizabeth Johnson **S: Melvin Chee** **VOTE: 49 – 0 – 1**
No Questions posed
3. **CF-DEC2025-11:** Approving to Amend Resolution No. CF-MAR2025-23 Requesting the Navajo Nation General Land Development Department to Accept a Land Withdrawal approved for the James Family's Burial Plot located at 35.7333429 Latitude, 109.649135 Longitude within the boundaries of the Cornfields Council Government to add CLAUS: "The Cornfields Chapter hereby supports and recognizes this land withdrawal for community development, which may include, but not limited to, the following purposes; housing, education, economic development, healthcare facilities, public use, governmental use, industrial development is not supported for this area."
M: Dr. Vera Johnson **S: Melvin Chee** **VOTE: 39 – 0 -01**
No Questions Posed

4. **CF-DEC2025-12:** Supporting the Cornfields Chapter funding request to the Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG) for the Sunrise Low Water Crossing Project, Emphasizing Community safety, accessibility, and Long-Term Resilience
M: Judith Shirley **S: Elizabeth Johnson** **VOTE: 38 – 0 – 1**
No Questions Posed

5. CF-DEC2025-13: NONE

M: _____ S: _____ VOTE: _____

IX. Verbal/Written Reports

1. Honorable Council Delegate Mr. Vince James – Not Present
2. Chapter Officials
Mr. Tyrone Chee, Council President – No report for this month
Mr. Wallace James, Jr., Council Vice-President – Written Report to be submitted
Ms. Sharon Smith, Council Secretary/Treasurer – Christmas wishes to all
3. Grazing Member, Mr. Patrick Yazzie - not Present
 - a. District 17 Grazing Meeting – January 05, 2026 – 9:00 am Greasewood Springs Chapter
 - b. Permittee Meeting – To Be Announced – Cornfields Chapter
 - c. Agency Grazing Meeting – December 15, 2025 – 9:00 am – Division of Natural Resources
4. Farm Board – Judith Shirley, Farm Board Member
 - a. Regular Meeting – January 05, 2026 9:00am – Cornfields Chapter
 - b. Land-Use Planning – January 13, 2026 9:00am – Cornfields Chapter
5. School Announcements:
 - a. Ganado Unified Schools – Wallace James, Jr., School Board Official
Building Demolition complete
New Board Election – 3 positions being vacated
12/18/25 ITM Day.
Congratulation to all the sports teams for doing very well in competitions this year.
 - b. Ganado Unified Schools PAC Member – Sandra Yazzie, Representative
Attended the Johnson O’Malley Conference in Denver, she learned a lot.
Meeting Last Week regarding budget and close outs.
January 14, 2025, next PAC meeting.
 - c. Greasewood Springs Schools – Ms. Ruthie Nez, School Board Member
Christmas Break begins 12/18/25 along with Christmas Program
Cornfields Community has a high
December 18th – 20th Staff Training.
 - d. Kin Dah Lichii Olta – Ms. Linda Youvella, School Board Member
6. Other(s):
Veterans Organization – last Meeting was cancelled and will be rescheduled.

M: Elizabeth Johnson

S: Dr. Vera Johnson

VOTE: 45 – 0 – 1

X. Next Scheduled Meetings:

1. Next Planning Meeting – Tuesday, January 06, 2026 4:00pm
2. Next Regular Meeting – Sunday, January 11, 2026 1:00pm

XI. Benediction: Provided by Ms. Elizabeth Johnson, Community Member

XII. Adjournment: Mtg Adjourned at 4:25 p by Mr. Tyrone Chee, Council President

M: Melvin Chee

S: Judith Shirley

VOTE: Majority Votes