

RAMAH NAVAJO CHAPTER

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VIRTUAL PLANNING MEETING MINUTES (COVID-19 Emergency)

TRIBAL OFFICE TELECONFERENCE CALL

Wednesday, June 2, 2021 @ 9:00 am

Dial In Number: 12063314836

PIN: 196511330#

- I. Meeting Call to Order. Roll Call. President Jose calls the meeting to order at 9:06 am. Present: President Jose, Vice President Chancey Martinez, Secretary/Treasurer Dixie Begay. Three Officials present constitute a quorum. Call-in/online 8. (Experience technical difficulties)
- II. Invocation. Dixie Begay, Secretary/Treasurer
- III. Sergeant at Arms. (NNC NABIJN-26-20 and CMA-19-20 Applies)
- IV. Reviewing and Approving of Meeting Agenda: President Jose read the agenda.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Dixie M. Begay. President Jose reported on his meeting with RNUA providing information the future plans to come together with Alamo, Tohajiilee, include the two chapter's part of Water Board. Change made on the agenda to defer Resolution No. 052106 until further notice. The Officials will meet with RNUA staff/board on Plan of Operation and go forward with new Board Members, include all water users.
Vote: Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
- V. Review of MINUTES: Virtual RNC Regular Meeting on May 20, 2021. Move to Regular Meeting for approval.
- VI. Finance Report: (Written Report Only for Review) Move to Regular Meeting for approval.
 1. Dixie M. Begay, Secretary/Treasurer – Navajo Nation and General Funds Report.
 2. 638 Office Grants and Contracts - Funds Report
 3. RNUA gave a partial report at the meeting, President Jose will report at regular meeting.
 4. RNSB to provide a report.
- VII. Condolence Resolution:(If any - otherwise N/A)
- VIII. Introduction of Guests and/or Presenters:
- IX. Reports:(Limited to Elected Officials Preferred)
 1. Chapter Officials; President Jose no report at this time. Vice President reported on the meeting he attended on three chapter plans on Police Sub-station, Chapters to decide on one drawing for the building; conference room, office space etc. Next Meeting June 24, 2021 with Phoenix Company will provide the drawings. Secretary no report.
 2. Rodger Martinez, ENA, Land Board Member- Not in attendance.
 3. Jamie Henio, Council Delegate; Report will be made at Regular Chapter Meeting.
 4. Navajo Nation Division of Community Development - ASC Staff. Move to regular chapter meeting.

Brenda Yazzie, CSC, Progress updates for the following subject matters & Completion Rate/Project:

- a. Revenue and expenditure report of all Chapter General Operating Fund Accounts?
- b. Revenue and expenditure report of Settlement Account Budget Ending 31Mar21?
- c. CAP in response to follow up review #2 by OAG?
- d. Ramah Navajo Community Cemetery?
- e. Bond and Nicole Ranch land management plan?
- f. American Rescue Plan Projects?
- g. Resolution 062002 Archaeological Clearance for PS/Judicial land withdrawal?
- h. Resolution 052002 Budgets Transfer of \$10,000 for Mt. View Well?
- i. Housing Discretionary projects?
- j. Chapter Renovation project?

Written report requested and report on submission of ARPA applications at the regular chapter meeting.

5. Ramah Navajo Chapter - Office of Grants & Contracts; Darnell Maria, ED/638 reported on the National Mask requirement, if received two shots mask is not mandated, the 638 staff are following Navajo Nation guidelines. Back in February they submitted the budget formulation to BIA Southwest Region. Today he received an email at 3 pm a virtual meeting on FY 2022 budget. A letter went out to Rep. Yvette Herrell requesting funds for Law Enforcement through CARES ACT but she did not respond. The same information send to Lujan expect a respond May 30, 2021. Within the package they requested 798K for 10/4 wheel drive trucks for Police vehicle and 4 all-terrain vehicle with two pull behind trailers. 116K for overtime funding for extraordinary hours and expense. 436K safety equipment. He was part of the meeting on Police Sub-station with the three satellite chapters. On May 12, 2021 letters went out to David Nez, ED/RNSB on Behavioral Health and Social Services and its lack of services.
6. Ramah Navajo School Board, Inc. – No report.
7. Ramah Navajo Agency; - No Report.
8. Committees, Commissions, Boards; and Ramah Navajo Chapter. As announcement the RNC Financial Assistance program is open for Fall Semester Application, deadline June 25, 2021.

X. Old Business: (Emergency Relief Items from prior meetings for consideration)

1. **RNC Resolution No. 052103** Approving the request of Rochelle Charley for Residential Lease on parcel of Ramah Band of Navajo Tribal Trust Land (RBL) situated within and described as NW/4 NE/4 of Section 34, Township 08 North, Range 15 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Cibola County, State of New Mexico, Containing One (1) Acre, more or less, Grazing Unit 4.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, to move Resolution No. 052103 and No. 052104 to regular meeting for approval, second by Lucinda Pino. Lucinda recommended having Land Board Member to submit office schedule. People are coming in needing assistance. Vote: Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
2. **RNC Resolution No. 052104** Approving the request of Melissa Garcia and Maynard Alonzo for Home site Lease on Navajo Tribal Trust Land (NTTL) situated within and described as Section 33 of NE/4 NE/4, Township 08 North, Range 15 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Cibola County, State of New Mexico, containing one (1) acre, more or less, Range Unit 4.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, to move Resolution No. 052103 and No. 052104 to regular meeting for approval, second by Lucinda Pino. Lucinda recommended having Land Board Member to submit office schedule. People are coming in needing assistance. Vote: Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
3. **RNC Resolution No. 052106** Reviewing of RNUA Plan of Operation and Selection of New Board Members.
Defer until future notice

XI. New Business: (Emergency Relief Items)

1. **Proposed Resolution No. 062101** Approving the request of Howard Lee for Home site Lease on tract of Navajo Tribal Trust Land (NTTL) situated within and described as SW/4 of Section 06, Township 8 North,

Range 14 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, County of Cibola, State of New Mexico, Containing One (1.00) Acre, More or Less, Grazing Unit 3.

Motion made by Chancey to move Resolution No. 062101 and No. 062102 to regular chapter meeting subject for further review of application by Realty Office for completion, second by Dixie Begay. Vote: Approve 3, Oppose 0, Abstain 1.

2. **Proposed Resolution No. 062102** Approving the request of Esther M. Jose and Tyrone S. Jose for Home site Lease on Parcel of Navajo Tribal Trust Land (NTTL) situated within and described as SE/4 of Section 17, Township 10 North, Range 15 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Cibola County, State of New Mexico, Containing One (1.00) acre, more or less, grazing Unit 2.
Motion made by Chancey to move Resolution No. 062101 and No. 062102 to regular chapter meeting subject for further review of application by Realty Office for completion, second by Dixie Begay. Vote: Approve 3, Oppose 0, Abstain 1.
3. **Proposed Resolution No. 062103** Approving to Withdraw Approximately four (4) acres of Navajo Tribal Fee Land (NTFL) described as Section 21, Township 09 North, Range 15 West, State of New Mexico, County of Cibola, and Ramah Navajo Community. (Senior Citizen enter)
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Dixie Begay to move Resolutions No. 062103, 062105 and 062110 to regular chapter meeting for approval. Vote Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
4. **Proposed Resolution No. 062104** Approves to implement Septic Tank Cleaning Services with FY 2021 Navajo Nation Capital Outlay Fund Sub-Account 041153 in amount of \$2,000 to match with twenty (20) chapter membership who will match out of pocket at \$100 each and who is in need of cleaning from Unit 1 through Unit 5 in time of COVID-19 Pandemic.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Jamie Henio to move Resolutions No. 062104, 062106 and 062111 to move to regular chapter meeting. Vote: Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 1.
5. **Proposed Resolution No. 062105** Approving land withdrawal of approximately eighty (80) acres for Solar Farm Development Project on NTTL situated within and described as Section 17 of S/2 Township 10 North, Range 15 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Cibola County, State of New Mexico and within Navajo Nation Business Development Corridor of 750 feet from ROW North of Highway 53 from junction across from BIA Road 130 and CDEC Substation thence towards NHA Sunset Housing Subdivision, containing Eighty (80) acres, more or less, Range Unit 2.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Dixie Begay to move Resolutions No. 062103, 062105 and 062110 to regular chapter meeting for approval. Vote Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
6. **Proposed Resolution No. 062106** Acknowledging the second review of Corrective Action Plan and Audit Opinion rendered on 23Apr21 by Lead Auditor Stacy Manuelito and others of OAG being unsatisfactory, disgraceful and too vague and general for the Auditee Ramah Navajo Chapter (RNC).
Because Lead Auditor Stacey Manuelito on the same day of delivering the opinion via teleconference leaving RNC with no recourse to respond to specifics of audit questions and the audit summary is severely damaging to the integrity of the RNC forever and thereafter.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Jamie Henio to move Resolutions No. 062104, 062106 and 062111 to move to regular chapter meeting. Vote: Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 1.
7. **Proposed Resolution No. 062107** Directing the Executive Director of the 638 Grants and Contract Administration Establish, Implement and Apply Space and/or Office Rental Policy for Collection of Rental Fees Applicable to All Buildings Used by or of Federal Programs of BIA and IHS within or on Land of the Ramah Band of the Navajo Tribe of Indians in Accordance to Code of Federal Regulations.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Dixie Begay to move to regular chapter meeting for approval. Darnell Maria, ED with more information on areas that will be included: Portion of Land use by Pine Hill Health Center, Pine Hill Market, Adult Detention Center. President Jose suggests reviewing Band Land in the Mountain View area and all future buildings development. Vote: Approve 5, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.

8. **Proposed Resolution No. 062108** Approving and Certifying the Ramah Navajo School Board elections for the Ramah Navajo School Board Inc. – Five (5) candidates in accordance to the official elections that took place on November 2020.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Dixie Begay to move to regular chapter meeting for approval. Darnell Maria asks the names on the list, this information will be provided with officials list from NN Election Office at regular chapter meeting. Vote: Approve 5, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
9. **Proposed Resolution No. 062109** Approving and Authorizing the Office of P.L. 638 Grants and Contracts, Housing Program, to transfer Homeownership Units to Twenty-two (22) Homebuyers.
Motion made by Dixie Begay, second by Chancey Martinez to move to regular chapter meeting for approval. Vote: Approve 5, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
10. **Proposed Resolution No. 062110** Approving Purchase Contract – Section 24, Township 10 North, Range 16 West, McKinley County, New Mexico. Consisting of 650 acres for the price of 780K.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Dixie Begay to move Resolutions No. 062103, 062105 and 062110 to regular chapter meeting for approval. Vote Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.
11. **Proposed Resolution No. 062111** Approving Summer Youth Employment Program.
Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Jamie Henio to move Resolutions No. 062104, 062106 and 062111 to move to regular chapter meeting. Vote: Approve 4, Oppose 0, Abstain 1.

XII. Community Concerns: (If any)

XIII. Announcements:

1. June 5, 2021, Saturday – ENAC, Eastern Navajo Agency Council Mtg at 9 am by teleconference call.
2. June 14 & 15, 2021, Monday & Tuesday – Consignment Wool Sale, Daily Drop Off Times 8:30 am – 4:30 pm at the RNC Livestock Training Facility. James Henio provided all information through KTDB radio station.
3. Livestock vaccination will be posted.
4. Rabies vaccination for dogs & cats are posted – June 9, 10, and 11, 2021.
5. Veteran/NN Administration claims event for each Agency.
6. Pine Hill spay & neuter free clinic June 18, 19, 20, 2021 – Flyer s are out.

XIV. Next Virtual RNC Regular Meeting

Chancey Martinez made a motion, next virtual Regular Chapter Meeting, Second by Dixie Begay.

Date: June 16, 2021.

Time: 10 am


XV. Adjournment:


Motion made by Chancey Martinez, second by Dixie Begay to adjourn the meeting.

Time: 11:03 am

Vote: Approve 5, Oppose 0, Abstain 0.

Respectfully Submitted,


 Dixie M. Begay, Secretary/Treasurer


 Date