



The Navajo Nation Becenti Chapter
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BECENTI CHAPTER
Chapter Planning Meeting
October 5, 2021 @ 10:00 AM

Teleconference: 1 607-689-2033 Pin: 396 395 039#

MINUTES

1. **Call meeting to order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:27 am by President Perry.
2. **Invocation:** The invocation was presented by Katherine Arviso.
3. **Recognition of Guests and Visitors:** President Perry recognized community members attending online and those in the chapter along with the Officials in attendance.
4. **Review and Approval of Agenda:** Marjorie Lantana reviewed the agenda. Some changes were noted and will be corrected. Motioning parties were Marjorie Lantana and Katherine Arviso. The vote was 7 in favor, 0 opposition and 0 abstention.
5. **Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes:**
 - a. Chapter Planning Minutes of September 7, 2021.
Arlene Arviso-Arthur reviewed the minutes where some corrections were noted. Motioning parties were Marjorie Lantana and Katherine Arviso. The vote was 7 in favor, 0 opposition and 0 abstention.
6. **Review and Adoption of Financial Report for Period Ending:**
 - a. Financial Report of September 30, 2021.
Arlene Arviso-Arthur informed that the financial report was not posted yet and asked to defer this report to the October 19, 2021 regular Chapter Meeting.
7. **Presenters:** None.
8. **Unfinished Business:** None.
9. **New Business:**
 - a. BCOCT-22-130 Resolution Supporting the Recommendation of the Three (3) Community Roads within the Becenti Chapter Service Area to the Navajo Department of Transportation (NNDOT) and the Roads and Development Committee of the 24th Navajo Nation Council to be Included in the Roads Improvement Project Priority Listing, (1) Littleboy Road: Regional Road-7114, Tribal Route-4879, BIA Route-2879; (2) Freeland

Road: Tribal Route-7770, BIA Route-7774; and (3) Benally Road: Regional Road-4867, BIA-1435.

The Chapter Officials Mr. Perry and Mrs. Arviso-Arthur attended the virtual Leadership meeting by Mr. G. Silversmith, Director of Navajo Nation Department of Transportation, (NNDOT). It was learned that some roads for the Becenti Chapter were selected for this project however, Becenti Chapter was not aware of this. Since the chapter does have three roads that need attention, the following resolution shall cover Becenti Chapters updated selection of roads.

- b. BCOCT-22-131 Resolution Approving the Becenti Chapter Plan of Operation.
- c. BCOCT-22-132 Resolution Supporting Navajo Communication & Utilities Regarding E-Rate Fiber Optic Buildout Project for Becenti Chapter Library.
- d. BCOCT-22-133 Resolution Approving Application HD2002-10-002 for Housing Discretionary Fund Assistance in the Amount of \$280.00.
- e. BCOCT-22-134 Resolution Approving Application HD2022-10-003 for Housing Discretionary Fund Assistance in the Amount of \$210.00.
- f. BCOCT-22-135 Approving Resolution for Updated Fifteen (15) Mile Road Maintenance Blading Schedule for Navajo Nation Division of Transportation (NNDOT) Eastern Agency Local Residents Whom Hold Grazing Permits in Areas to be Bladed and Residents to be Notified Before Project Ensues.

Motioning parties accepting to move the resolutions to the Regular Chapter Meeting of October 19, 2021 were James Wolff and Abel Becenti. The vote was 7 in favor, 0 opposition and 0 abstention.

10. Reports:

a. Jonathan Perry, President: President Perry provided a report that included the three (3) routes that the Navajo Nation Department of Transportation (NNDOT) had on their list. It was not known what roads were identified however, we did recommend three roads for maintenance improvement. The chapter will need to identify various population that reside in the area of these roads. Residents could be high risk individuals consisting of elderly, veterans and others. There are additional identifying numbers roads that come off the main roads to address. NNDOT to utilize Federal Funds that have guidelines and requirements. The fifteen (15) mile maintenance is Federally Funded-US Federal Highway Act. NNDOT has road improvement plan that covers a number of years. Various assessments such as Burial, Cultural Preservation, Endangered Species Act, will need to occur before any improvement can begin. NNDOT question to Chapters: "are CLUPC aware" in the planning and finding number of school children, elderly and those individuals with health risks. To Senior Centers; how many residents do they service, Navajo Nation Police services, Community Health Representatives that provide services will need to provide letters of support in using the routes to serve community members. If one person says no

to the road improvement, the program stops. Everyone needs to be on the same page. The archeology and environmental surveys need to be complete for this larger plan for improvements. There needs to be Scope of Work and Expenditure Plans developed. The length of this work is 1-2 years. Some discussion included the time for this work is important due to the land status of Eastern Navajo Agency (ENA) in that it is unique. Vice-President Lantana suggested to change the resolution to add Bureau of Indian Affairs and add "Recommending and Supporting".

President Perry reports that this will be an ongoing project. He adds that Becenti Chapter is now in new fiscal year as of October 1, 2021. The Carry-over Funds and new fiscal year budget will be addressed at a Special Meeting scheduled for October 6, 2021. This is urgent as there are chapter bills and staff to pay therefore, the budgets have to meet approval for the chapter to carry out its business. The Land Board resigned and this information will be forwarded to the Election Office. We thank her for her service. With the Infrastructure Capital Improvement Project (ICIP), Becenti Chapter and lead agency will schedule a meeting to discuss project needs. We are still working on the Five Management System (FMS). Charmayne is still working on some parts and it will be forwarded to Chapter Officials when it is completed. The chapter resolutions are up to date. The resolutions require research and seeking resources in developing the language; it is lengthy work. President Perry thanked the work put into completing resolutions and completing all other necessary forms. There is a control of documents within the administration office. Documents are protected, limited access by individuals that allows for internal control. We continue to share information, properly utilizing funds that demonstrates good use of funds. In closing, President Perry reports he will provide more information at the upcoming chapter meeting.

b. Marjorie Lantana, Vice-President: Vice-President Lantana deferred her report to the upcoming chapter meeting. She added that the Officials work well together, coordinate projects. She has been working on special assignments as follows: Property Write-off and the need for Veterinary Clinic in Crownpoint. She suggested perhaps a draft a resolution to Mr. Notah would help. She will continue to follow-up on her assignments. She participated in various meetings at chapter and one of those was with our accountant, Myrdis. He assisted the Officials in the budget reviews of the Carry-over and General Fund Budget. Vice-President Lantana will provide a written report at next chapter meeting.

c. Arlene Arviso-Arthur, Secretary/Treasurer: Secretary/Treasurer Arviso-Arthur deferred her report to the next chapter meeting.

d. Mark Freeland, Council Delegate: Delegate Freeland reported on two items: (1). Fiscal Year 2022-previously confirmed the Chapter Meeting Official Stipend was allocated in full amount however, there was a shortage and he will check on this concern. (2). Agriculture Infrastructure Fund: Becenti and Lake Valley-there is no Land Board now. How will the distribution be made? Perhaps a neighboring Land Board will address this issue but will look into it. Delegate Freeland was in online attendance to other chapters as well and had limited time today. He will provide a written report that will be available through the Chapter Administration.


The motioning parties accepting the reports are Arlene Arviso-Arthur and Katherine Arviso. The vote was 10 in favor, 0 opposition and 0 abstention.

11. Announcements:

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| a. BBN9 Emerg. Response Team Meeting @
White Rk Chpt | 10:00 am | October 6, 2021 |
| b. Special Chapter Meeting | 10:00 am | October 7, 2021 |
| c. Phizer Booster @ Crownpoint Indian Health Serv. | | October 9, 2021 |
| d. Comm. Land Use Planning Committee | 10:00 am | October 13, 2021 |
| e. Regular Chapter Meeting | 10:00 am | October 19, 2021 |
| f. Staff Meeting | 10:00 am | October 25, 2021 |
| g. NN Human Rights Commission Representative on site at
Becenti Chapter for signing waiver for Mobile Home. | | October 25, 2021 |
| h. RezDawg Rescue Vaccination Clinic @ Becenti Chapter | | Nov. 12-13, 2021 |

12. Adjournment: Motioning parties to adjourn the meeting were Marjorie Lantana and Charmayne Hosteen. The vote was 10 in favor, 0 opposition and 0 abstention to adjourn at 1:02 pm.

Final Minutes of October 5, 2021 Planning Meeting was resubmitted on November 1, 2021 by:



Arlene Arviso-Arthur, Becenti Chapter Secretary/Treasurer