

# Chinle Chapter Government

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Chinle Chapter  
Regular Chapter Meeting Agenda  
August 16, 2021  
5:00 pm

I. Meeting Call to Order at 5:00 pm by President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch.

II. Roll Call by President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch

Council Delegate Eugene Tso  
President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch  
Vice President Shawna Claw  
S/T Roann Burbank  
Grazing Official Oscar Bia  
LDA Joann Dedman  
Danny Francis  
Roslyn Yazzie  
Andrew Yazzie Jr.  
Shawna Becenti  
Jerrison Jumbo  
Edward Francis Ferrenda Jake  
Walton Yazzie  
TiShawna Spencer  
BettyRose Draper  
Christina Andrade

III. Invocation by Roann Burbank.

IV. Review and Approval of Agenda by President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch.

**Motion by: Ferrenda Jake**

**Second: TiShawna Spencer**

**Amendments:**

1. Review and approval of July Financial Report
2. Announcement Public Health Order

**Discussions:**

**Vote: 11**

**Opposed: 0**

**Abstained: 1**

**This conference will now be recorded.**

Ms. Roslyn Yazzie: Dr. President, I have a question before she proceeds. I'm assuming the review and approval of the Chapter, regular meeting minutes, I thought that's what you were going to proceed to. Now you're

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Sign-in Sheet

Date: 8/16/2021    ☐ Planning Meeting    ☒ Regular Meeting    ☐ Special Meeting

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4. Grazing Official: <u>Don B. [Signature]</u>	24.
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saying, am I correct that you're saying the Chinle Chapter planning meeting minutes is will be reviewed and approved? Is that what you're doing?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: No, we are reviewing..... *interrupted*

Ms. Roslyn Yazzie: Which one are you doing?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: July 19th, regular planning, regular meeting minutes. I'm Sorry, regular meeting minutes. There's a typo.

Ms. Roslyn Yazzie: See that's where I want to correct you because you said planning meeting and that's, you're confusing. All right. That that that that should do it. Thank you.

S/T Roann Burbank: Madam Chair, I will correct that because I wrote. The. Agenda. OK, So we are covering the Chinle Chapter, Regular Chapter Meeting Agenda, which was on July 19, 2021, called to order by; I can hear you; meeting, called to order by President Rosanna Jumbo Fitch at 5:00 p.m.

- V. Review and Approval of July 19, 2021, Regular Chapter Meeting Minutes by S/T Roann Burbank

**Motion by: Ferrenda Jake**

**Second by: Danny Francis**

**Discussions:**

**Vote: 9**

**Opposed 0**

**Abstained: 1**

**Motion carries**

- VI. Review and approval of 2021 July Financial Report by S/T Roann Burbank

**Motion by: TiShawna Spencer**

**Second by: Danny Francis**

**Discussions:**

**Vote: 8**

**Opposed: 0**

**Abstained: 1**

**Motion carries**

- VII. Announcements:

- Online applications for CARES Act LIHEAP Now available, Due September 9, 2021. For more information, visit website; [www.nndss.navajo-nsn.gov](http://www.nndss.navajo-nsn.gov).
- August is Child Support Awareness Month.
- The Navajo Division of Social Services (DSS) Navajo Department of Child Care and Development (DCCD) will reopen child care services in three phases. For more information, call (928) 871-6629.
- Labor Day Holiday: Monday September 06, 2021

- VIII. Community Concern: NONE

- IX. Old Business

- CHIN-JUL-21-043: SUPPORT RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO RETAIN THE CHINLE WATER RESOURCES/WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AT CHINLE, AZ.**

**Motion by: TiShawna Spencer**

**Second by: Ferrenda Jake**

**Discussions:**

**Vote: 9**

**Opposed: 0**

**Abstained: 1**

**Resolution has passed.**

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- b. **CHIN-JUL-21-044:** SUPPORT RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND TO FUNDS FOR CHINLE CHAPTER COMMUNITY NINE (9) WINDMILLS FOR PARTS AND MAINTENANCE.

**Motion by: Oscar Bia**

**Second by: Danny Francis**

**Discussions:**

**Vote: 9**

**Opposed: 0**

**Abstained: 1**

**Resolution has passed.**

## X. New Business:

- a. **CHIN-AUG-21-048:** SUPPORTING THE NAVAJO PREPARATORY SCHOOL, INC. REQUEST FOR REAUTHORIZATION FOR CONTINUED OPERATION AS A GRANT SCHOOL PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 100-297.

**Motion by:**

**TiShawna Spencer**

**Second by: Danny Francis**

**Discussions:**

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** I will ask Mr. Anderson Jr as well as T, I'm Sorry, Shawna, Ms. Shawna Becenti, you guys can open the we, open the floor for you to provide Some information as well. Thank you.

**Mr. Anderson Yazzie:** Good evening, everyone. Ya'ha'teeh. I am Anderson Yazzie Jr. my clans are I am Tó'aheedliinii, born for Dibéłzhíni, Tódich'ii'nii are my grandfathers and Tabaaha are my paternal grandfathers. I'm originally from the area right outside of Chinle, a mile and a half going north to Many Farms. You probably all know my family Winifred Todd, my mother and my grandmother was the late Louise M. Todd. So, I want to say again, thank you to the Chinle Chapter for giving me the opportunity to share our information to our community and the constituents of the Chinle community. Sorry about that. I serve as the Navajo Preparatory School Board of Trustees' Vice Presidents on the School Board there with Navajo Preparatory School. Ms. Becenti is our Head of School. She is also on the line but is also dual tasking right now. We do have an ongoing parent orientation virtually also right now. So, she is busy there presenting. She's opening up the sessions as well. So, but she is also listening at the same time. And as you know, in this new virtual setting, we always have to multitask and learn new trades of the trick. So, we can also accommodate all those areas that we are being tasked with during this time. So, I just wanted to make sure that you are aware that she is also on the line. So just to give a quick, brief history of Navajo Preparatory School during the planning and meeting, I gave Some more detailed information there at that time. But this for time's sake during this meeting, I just want to run through a couple of stats with you So that you're aware of how this resolution will help support Navajo Preparatory School. So, every four, three years or So, Department of Dine Education under the Navajo Nation requires that our grant school at Navajo Preparatory School do and complete a reauthorization process which is under the Public Law 100-297. So, in this process grant schools are tasked with meeting with their Chapters or agency councils to propose resolutions such as the one before you today to seek approval and to help and responding and supporting the Navajo Preparatory School Initiative and our educational task and serving our high school students in grades (9) through (12). Of the (260) plus students at Navajo Prep; (14) fourteen are from the Chinle community and thirty-two (32) from the Chinle Agency as a whole for the school, school year 2021-2022. Navajo Preparatory was established in 1991 by the Education Committee of the Navajo Nation Council on the 82.45 acres that you find Navajo Prep currently sitting on in Farmington, New Mexico. It was also purchased in 1995 by the Navajo Nation with a (99) year lease tied to it. Again, it operates under the P.L. 100-297 as a grant school.

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And our school motto there is Leading Into Leading Now and Into The Future. Which of these Yiskago Natani, that's the motto that we truly promote and push and also support within our school community and also focus on our student learning and so forth. So again, the resolution that is before you, that has been motion by Ms. Spencer and by Mr. Francis. We do appreciate all of your support and the continued support of Navajo Prep through the Chinle Chapter, as well as also in the Chinle community. And if you have any questions, please feel free to ask, I guess, right now. And I'll also put my contact information in the chat as well. So, you're able to see and, if you see me around in the community, please do stop me. Again, safe distance DC rules, guidelines and all of those great things that we're following right now again. But please do ask questions about Navajo Prep. It's a great school. We are moving we have moved into the IB curriculum, which places our Navajo Preparatory School curriculum and learning at a global level, along with the Navajo Nation cultural foundational pieces that are also brought into the school structure itself. So, we are educating our students to think beyond the Navajo Nation borders, the Navajo Nation Reservation lines and looking at education and a national setting as well as the global setting. So, it has really turned the tides of what we're turning out as leaders from Navajo Prefatory and our young leaders that are promoting education and also their interest areas to help support their Navajo communities that they represent while attending Navajo Prep and beyond. So, a big Aheehe for listening this evening and letting me share our information. So, I'm going to open it up if we have any questions or if you just choose to vote for the resolution.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Aheehe Mr. Anderson, for your brief introduction and information on your program, we'll now open the floor for any community members that have any questions or comments as well. Well, no comments, we are going to do our vote So we can vote on this resolution as been stated and we will start with our roll call list and then go from there

**Vote: 10    Opposed: 0    Abstained: 1**

**Resolution passes.**

- b. **CHIN-AUG-21-049: SUPPORT RESOLUTION FOR CHRISTINA ANDRADE FOR HER DOCTORAL DISSERATION STUDY WHICH INCLUDES INTERVIEWING TWELVE (12) STUDENTS AT CHINLE NAVAJO TECHINICAL UNIVERSITY.**

**Motion by: Anderson Yazzie Jr.**

**Second by: Danny Francis**

**Discussions:**

**Vote: 10**

**Opposed: 0**

**Abstained: 1**

**Resolution passes.**

## XI. Reports:

- a. Council Delegate Eugene Tso

**Council Delegate Eugene Tso: Not on call.** LDA Joann Dedman did contact S/T by text that she was unable to speak up because her phone is possibly muted. She stated that Delegate Tso's report was emailed.

**He did give a verbal report and his report is attached.**

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:**

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:**

- b. Chapter President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Report is attached.**

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c. Vice President Shawna A. Claw:

**Vice President Shawna Claw:** Good evening. Can you guys hear me? Hello, OK.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Yes we...

*Speaking over each other*

**Ms. Christina Andrade:** ....this is Christina

**S/T Roann Burbank:** Oh, there's Christina.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Hold on, Christina. We're doing our reports. Go ahead, Shawna.

**VP Shawna Claw:** Ok, Delegate Tso did say that LDA Dedman is doing his report. So, if she's on the line, I'll go ahead and allow her to go before me.

**S/T Roann Burbank:** Vice Chair, she said that there's Something is wrong with her phone its muted or Something, she's trying to speak up and that Delegate Tso's report was e-mailed, *Phone dial tones heard....* that might be her.

**VP Shawna Claw:** Ok, well, while she's trying to get on the line, I'll go ahead and do my report. But just to also make a clarification that I was on the call from the beginning and the same thing, I was on my phone and I don't think anyone heard me. So, I don't know who the administrator is, but I think our phones are muted just to be aware of that. I just want to welcome all our Chapter constituents, the voters, elected leaders, Administration, and then also thank you to those who have brought their resolution forth to the community for review. For myself, I've been researching several different laws that pertain to our Chapter. And so, there are different things that we as a community that I think that we need to focus on. So that's one of the things that I've been doing. I know that our Chapter; we are pretty much versed in a lot of the ARPA funds, as well as Some of the activities that the Administration's involved in daily. So, I just want to thank our Staff for doing that work, but also to just also thankful for the work of LDA Dedman and Delegate Tso for getting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. So, they were awarded and as President stated, they were the ones that invited us to be a part of that. So, some of the concern that our community did have the residents along the wash were that they would like to see a permanent berm fixture. So right now, we know we have the sand and then there's sandbags. And so, hopefully with ARPA funds, we can secure Some of those permanent structures to involve the rocks and then also to get more of that. That's in place as far as the drainage system. So, we're looking forward to the report from there So that we can do future planning. And then also to our Chapter, I know they've been working with the reopening plan. And now that the Navajo Nation has moved into an Orange status, I'm not sure how that would affect some of our future meetings. So, I know that right now we have the September Planning Meeting as well as the Regular Meeting they're scheduled for in-person. So, I'm not sure as far as our Chapter how we will move forward with that. But we probably do need to revisit that. And just to have an alternate plan for safety precautions to have that in place as well. And a lot of that also stems out to our local school here in the community. So right now, I know that the Navajo Nation, Department of Dine Education, they do have a reopening plan in place. And those are Some of the concerns that we are also hearing is from the community, just the parents that are out there that have their students that are going to school in-person. And so, we are hearing Some of that. And then as their president mentioned, that we do have a different follow up meetings that are occurring. And I just want to thank President and then also our Chapter Secretary/Treasurer and then also Council Delegate Eugene Tso and Joann Dedman, as well as our Chinle Chapter Administrators for being a part of those meetings. I know that with every month, it's mainly a waiting game for the Chapter. So, a lot of these meetings, they're occurring based on the new updates that are relevant to the funding. So right now, the Navajo Nation is still streamlining a

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lot of the funding. So, there's no real projected date as to when the funding will come in. But different organizations, entities within the community, they're are starting to get ready. As they mentioned, they've been working with the county, the Apache County and then also at the state level, they'll be receiving Some of those ARPA funds. And so, a lot of these entities, they're getting ready for that that funding Source. Right now, we're still in the monsoon. And one of the questions that was presented to myself was they asked if Chinle Chapter, we as a Chapter if we have a flood management plan, So, as to date I have not seen one for our community. But if there is one just to receive that information would be appreciated. I know that President has been attending the monsoon updates. So, I know that's going to be one of the questions that may come up as we work a little bit closer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and So and then other funding sources pertaining to the community wellness. I did, I was able to sit in on one of the meetings and listen in. So, there are proposals for new facilities. And so, those are needed in our community. I know with Chinle a lot of our community members, they're really into fitness, wellness. I see a lot of our members doing biking, running, hiking and with the opening of the tribal parks. I don't know if we've done a study on that to see how if our tourism, our economic development has increased. And then we as the Chapter, we are still waiting. I know that there were different types of ordinances such as the Sales Tax. And then also we have the Solid Waste that we do have coming up. So, we will need the community involvement when it comes to the ordinances. There is a certain process that needs to be followed. So, we're asking our voters to keep informed to be a part of our meeting. You are very crucial in getting us to move forward with Some of these ordinances and the types of changes that need to occur for our community. So, again, I believe that with the Leadership, there is a future vision to try to get our community to move forward, as we know, the Navajo Nation is losing revenue due to different changes that are happening with businesses shutting down. So, our goal as a Chapter is just to try to offset Some of that with Some of these projects. But we also want to think long term as far as sustainability. And those are Some of the things that I would like to look toward is where with Some of this ARPA fund. We've heard from the Navajo Nation EPA, Melinda O'Daniel, I got a chance to sit down and talk with her. And some of the things that she talked about was talking about having families doing a rain water catch system. So even incorporating some of those funds to that, because as we know, we want our money to stretch longer, just as we are ahead of our own household. We have our children, some of us have grandchildren, and you try to make your dollar stretch. So that's the way I see our Chapter that we do need to think in those terms. And so sometimes there's a compromise. Maybe there's projects that we had initially, but those might change as the guidelines come forth. So, again, right now, there's no real clear definition of how these funds are going to be spent. So, a lot of times that's what I'm doing. I'm just doing the research of a lot of the funding sources and then also how it pertains to Navajo Nation Law. So, at this time, I just want to thank our voters and then our Leadership, elected leaders and then our special guest this evening. I really am thankful for our leadership, such as my grandson, Mr. Anderson, Yazzie Jr. for being a part of Navaho Preparatory and then Shawna Becenti and then also our graduates, our doctoral candidate. Congratulations and thank you for that work that you're doing to help create that change within our Dine people. So, with that, I just want to say that and conclude my report. And then at this time, if we can go ahead and allow LDA Dedman to go ahead and give the report on behalf of Delegate Tso. Aheeh.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Thank you for your report. Is Mr. Tso or LDA Dedman on the call?

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** Hello?

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Hello.

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**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** Ya'ha'teeh, this is Jerrison Jumbo, can you hear me?

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Yes,

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** I finally logged on. I do have a question for Shawna Claw. You've talked about researching, the definition of funding. How do you mean, what do you mean and you mention voters. When you mention voters, you're talking about ..... How, what are you researching. You know, besides what you do as the Vice President of the Chinle Chapter. What have you accomplished thus far? We are barely into about (8) months when we voted you in. What have they done? That's my question. What with all these researches and the changes, families, catchment, and all that you talk about. how do you mean, I don't understand it? What have you done thus far?

**VP Shawna Claw:** Thank you, Mr. Jumbo, for your question. I believe those are valid questions. So, again, since you did bring this to the table, one of the questions I have is under Title 26, under the duties of the Chinle Chapter Vice President. The Chinle Chapter Vice President is supposed to monitor the community projects. However, at this point, we are doing a collaboration. So right now, we have our Chapter President working with the Administration. So, in that sense, I have been supporting and if you had listened to the report, I have been attending the meetings with them. As far as research, there are funding such as the ARPA. I am talking about that money. They have regulations from Washington for us people. Regulations that are drawn up. That's what I'm researching and this EPA I am talking about with Melinda O'Daniel. She was one of the ones that came out for the Flood Hazard Assessment. So, during that meeting, I spent the day going around with the team. And in that meeting, that's when she was telling me about some of these projects that families can do on their own. So, for myself, I like to go out and work with families, one on one. That is what I report. You can learn from it. That's what I've been doing. So from that, I've been attending different meetings. I have made that my report. Thank you for your questions.

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** Secondly, it sounds like, when I listen from here, we voted you in. And then, the Flood Hazard you say. Are you just researching it? also, how do you mean it? It does bother us. And then you also mentioned that you are working with the Chinle Chapter. So....rustling noises.... I'm kind of .....noises... one on one or more. I thought.... Secondly, it sounds like, when I listen from here, we voted you in. And then, the Flood Hazard you say. Are you just researching it? also, how do you mean it? It does bother us. And then you also mentioned that you are working with the Chinle chapter. S.....rustling noises.. I'm kind of .....noises... one on one or more. I thought....that you're talking about. Too much noise....the reports and we're in the flood zone. you are also saying that you are learning. I thought you already knew and we voted for you. How is it like that? I thought you already knew. that part really bothers me. With this.....how are you planning? One on one....I think. *Inaudible.... Muffled and noises.* And I..

**Ms. BettyRose Draper:** Excuse me, Jerrison. Point of order, Point of order.

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** That's not what I'm saying. You guys are saying say it right. I would recommend that you guys get together and work together. That it how it is Ms. Claw.

**VP Shawna Claw:** I have a response to Mr. Jumbo's question, as I was saying, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers meeting was on July 28 during that meeting, not even any of the chapter, as I said, all of us Officials. We do not have a Flood Management Plan. So, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, we are still working and waiting for them. So, in that sense, we went out to the different areas within our community and we did a site visit. So, with that, I don't believe we have one. And I say that if we do, then that can be provided. And then as far as the variance, we've been working with different entities. So, I don't I don't know



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what your question is, but if you have any questions, as we've always said, you as a community member, you're more than welcome to stop in and talk with us.

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** Ok, next time we will take a closer look at it. A while back I said I would help you because I know where all the water goes, where it comes in from, and that you guys were bought new Heavy Equipment. A while back I said the water is flowing and I know what that water is going to do. And I can assist you guys and show you where all the water is coming and what it does to the people that reside, north of Churches Chicken. those like that, I think they're very serious. We need to look at those issues very serious, because the next go around, I know what that water is going to do. And those windmill repair you guys are talking about, thank you. Because we need water. Some of us have livestock. I'm sure you probably have livestock too. listening to you from here and these are phones are difficult. When are we going to meet face to face? I hear it might reopen in September; I don't know. Some of these phones go out even while we are talking. Even when we use the pound key. It happened a while ago. I didn't really get all of it, but I do have some document, I documented some. So, all I want to tell you guys is, you know, give it everything you've got and work closely together and be a team. That's all I'm going to tell you, Ms. Claw.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Thank you for your questions and comments, we are still under reports, so we are going to see if our Delegate or his LDA is on the call. Delegate Tso or LDA Dedman? Ok, we will continue to call for them as we go through reports. Next, we have a report from our Secretary / Treasury, Ms. Roann Burbank.

d. Secretary/Treasurer Roann Burbank

**S/T Roann Burbank:** Good evening, everybody. Can you hear me?

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Yes, we can.

**S/T Roann Burbank:** Ok.

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** A little.

**S/T Roann Burbank:** Yeah. OK (echo) , so my report. It's not much because I gave a report at the Planning Meeting the other week. So my report consists of the Planning Meeting and the 2nd of August and since then I have signed a few checks. I....*Inaudible (speech is too low)*. I did have a personal leave. *Inaudible speech*.

**Ms. BettyRose Draper:** We can't hear you.

**S/T Roann Burbank:** OK, since then I have only attended one work session. And I.... voice is too low and distant.

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** It doesn't sound.

**S/T Roann Burbank:** (yells) It consists of one planning meeting. This is a one Planning Meeting, I signed a few checks. And a work session.

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** *laughing*

**S/T Roann Burbank:** That is what I did in two weeks. That completes my report.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Thank you Roann. Lat on our reports is our Grazing Rep. Oscar Bia. Oscar?

e. Grazing Representative Oscar Bia

**GR Oscar Bia:** Yes Ya'ha'teéh. Is there sound? Can you all hear, those listening?

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Yes, Ya'ha'teéh.

**GR Oscar Bia:** Hello? Okay, my report...*muffled*

**Ms. BettyRose Draper:** You're doing good. I can hear you.

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**GR Oscar Bia:** My report is from July. When was my last meeting? August, when was it, July 22th on. Ok, it is the same. And then, GPS and Land Use permit that were being discussed, I completed those. Then, moving forward, I work those stating they are going to withdraw too. I tell them about this and that. Some of them have questions. They want it certain way. I tell them it has to be by the regulations. They don't like that. I guess some have not heard about that yet. Those people go running to St. Michaels Land Department. and that is where Mike Halona gets after them. After leaving from there they go to the Council Delegate. I don't know what they say there, maybe they are getting approved, I don't know. When it doesn't work they go to the President and then they go into the offices. They keep trying up to there, then they come back asking me to cheat for them. Those are the types that I work with. Some people got their Homesite Lease applications processed. But there is no activities, no action for (3) three to (4) four years. Some of them need to be cancelled. People that might be from Tuba City, Shiprock, off District 10-3, young people that want land, have come back from school, and that have employment, those that are being told to leave, those that were raised by their grandparents, mother father and siblings, those ones, they are asking about it too. They want to know how it is. I tell them about this and that. When I am doing a Homesite Lease coordinates, I ask them if they have gone to the nearby homes and that there are sheep over there too. They say "No, I went to the house past these, and they filled out the application for me. Then, when I go to them, the person with the permit, grazing permit, they say "I don't know, no one came to me. I don't know what is going on there, and we are no longer close. That person does not come here, that person does not bother me". Then, I go back and tell them that they don't go to those people, go there and ask right, then I will do the coordinates then. that way there are no disagreements. there are several brandings left. I say there is 236 permitters, half of those are valid and the other invalid. I try to tell those people to" Situate it!". They don't listen. I work with them too. We have Grazing Committee meetings here every month and to bring your papers there and give land to your kids, grandkids because you are not capable. Those have become disagreeable too. In Some places there are horses and cows roaming around. What can be done, maybe just round them up and take them in. That is what we have been discussing with Chinle Agency, the fourteen (14) Chapters. How can we situate it is discussed. Perhaps those that are roaming along side the roadways can be picked up right there because one is taking care of it. They are incapable and hay is expensive. Water has become expensive too. Although it rained and some water has pooled and windmills were repaired. The wind is not blowing to pump water. Those things we think about. There was a windmill repaired and someone took it apart. Why the desperation, they could have just reported it, or they could just say they don't want to. And then, a month from then forward; I was branding on August 1<sup>st</sup>. There was an argument over cows. It was about a person without a Grazing permit and using someone's else's permit. There was a fight over the cows and the permit. I was about to win the Lottery in my dream when I got the call about the incident, and that people were fighting. If there was no fight, would I have won? The next day I went to the location and the cows were round up and pinned up when we found out that there was no permit, Grazing permit. You don't do livestock, breed, that is what the permit says, on the Navajo Nation, Navajo reservation. So, that is where they argued, the grandmothers, aunts, and daughters argued and no one from the fight came to us, just the family was there. So, how are we going to fix this? I was told to situate it because I am the Grazing Rep. yes, I know what to do, I told them. I made a call to the Department of Ag. I discussed it with them, and there I was also told I am the Grazing Rep and to situate it. Since I am the Grazing Rep., the cows will be taken to auction on Wednesday, all 52 heads of cows. Too many, (2) 30-foot stock trailers were filled, (2) two of them, all of the cows were taken. The ladies were all crying. It is not my fault, you said it yourself. There are no

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arguments that way. Those were sold, then the person staying in house was asked to vacate. He took all his broken down vehicles and all his barrels home with him. He was staying there many years. That's what happened. That is how we situated over there. The person that represents us in Washington, from Resources at the BIA, I asked him to come and he saw the cows get hauled away. In his presence, the people that was complaining, had a Grazing permit, is over grazing about (62) heads. Those will be taken on Wednesday. The same amount of cows will be taken as the other family and that way it is even. If you are argue with each other then argue, if you want to disown each other then disown each other. It is your own doing. You were asked diligently and told diligently. Those are going to be taken in. That is from the Department of Ag. It might be better that way. No arguments. As for me, let them do it that, I have been trying for a long time. It has been years. I was told I am doing a good job. People say about Mr. Bia (Grazing Rep). that he doesn't know anything and that he is the one doing these, working for us. I just you to know what is being said. Then there was an argument over a small piece of land, maybe 38 acres, and he points out far out claiming it is all his land. I asked if it was true and the stated that it belonged to his paternal grandparents. I told him why he was using that because they are not here and today and, in the future, they will also be doing that too. It is themselves not me. They are causing their own chaos. It just appears that it is me doing it, but I am unaffected by it. I was already put into this position. I don't work against them. Be diligent. It has been told to us that it was done to us back in 1930 or 32, for overgrazing. Once returning to Washington, all the cows and horses were rounded up and herd away. We are once going that path again, us younger people. Who is going to do anything about it, it is just talked about? Because of that, be diligent. Then there are, the road that need to be paved. We went out today. There are a lot of meeting that what me to attend, some are in Gallup. I go there. this and that is like that. they're plans are fearful. It is from off reservation; the Anglos are saying things. I think they mean them being obstacles, getting in the way of people. Sometimes, they listen to me and sometimes they don't listen to me. Then on the 18<sup>th</sup>, that's a Wednesday, we are meeting with SWC, Serial Water Conservation here at the Chapter. The Bashas and plaza will be in attendance to speak to us. I heard they have funding, so I am proceeding to work with them. So, they are going to meet with us to see what it is I am wanting. The flood zone there, they might be able to fund half of the project, and then the wash, sand is needed, and we might fix them all, even though they can't afford. That is what my cousin was talking about when he spoke about the new equipment that we got. Let us work with those, don't be an obstacle. I also tell Window Rock that as well about being an obstacle. There are ways to get to it. That is my report up to today. After today, I will have more to report, up to a month. Then take care for yourselves, all of my family and Dine, those that are listening in. Tell your relatives. When you travel, please wear a mask, use hand sanitizer, wash your hands, it is real. Then get vaccinated. Even though is hard to get to or difficult to get or it's spoken against. The only way is to take care of yourself. We can live longer. That is why, take care of yourselves. My grandfather, Joe Shirley, I think he is right, this COVID-19, my grandfather says that it should not have been named. If it is names, and you say it is that way it is, it will not have mercy on us. That is how flus passes, diarrhea passed, and then sore throat passed, a lot have passed, my grandfather told us, he was 105 years old. Although, he was a Medicine man he did not go among people. He stayed separate. That is what he did, see we passed this. Nothing, we are out of it now. That is why, take very good care of yourselves. Some are stating they were infected although they got both of their vaccinations. So, it might be floating around among us because we can't see it. How can we fight it but if we don't then I do know how it will affected us. That is why, social distance when gathering and speak to each other from a distance about what we can do about it because prayers were done all over the world, white man and Native Americans,

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Hispanics, African Americans, all the races. That is how it is thought of. If it had ears it would have left already once a prayer was said. That is how it is thought about it and don't talk about each other about it. Don't bother each other, diligently speak to each other and diligently teach each other. I learn every day from the young, peers, and elderlies when I am out there with them. Some speak the old language. They ask if I can speak Dine and that I look like a white man. I tell them I am Dine and they can speak to me in Dine and I will respond in Dine to you, I tell them. That is it, my family, people, Officials. Work together, and those of that are calling in, don't say unmeaningful words, that is not called planning. Nobody ever says this person got up and built this building, or got up on the windmills and repaired it, or this person moved rocks for me, or this person did this or that for me. Nobody ever gives credit, nothing. My, older brother William Tsosie was in this position I am in now, it was said he asked for funding to build the Chapter is what I heard. We will see that it can be worked on for us. That will be my report. Aheeh.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Yes, thank you Oscar for your report.

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** Ya'ha'teeh again, my Officials. Can you hear me okay?

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Yes.

*Background noises.*

**Mr. Jerrison Jumbo:** Ya'ha'teeh my cousin. I am very impressed. That is what you call a report. That is what you call a decent report. You thoroughly gave us a report. I am very thankful, it is a grateful report you gave my cousin, Mr. Oscar Bia. I am very impressed with your report. That is what you call Natani. I am very pleased. Then you are also speaking of the heavy equipment. Who is being stingy? I thought that is what we bought them for? So, you can work out there with them. Some places waters have pooled, and I know that that is a part of your job. As well as .....noises... Then I want to speak about something you mentioned. You better have a good point, my cousin, Mr. Bia. Teach with respect that you mentioned, it really is like that, work together. It can be favorable for you Officials, all of you, it is very good. Moments ago, we got a very good report. It is true what was said to you livestock owners. Take care of them. Take care of even those dogs and cats. That's what I'm understanding and, understood. Work together. Planning, that is what you are in those positions for. We look upon all of you. You watch over us. Thank you, that is what you call a decent, I am very impressed with your report, thank you very much, my cousin. That will be all.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Thank you and then following the agenda that concludes our reports unless our Delegate, or LDA might be on the call now. Delegate, or LDA, final call.

**Council Delegate Eugene Tso:** Can you hear me, my daughter?

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** Yes, Ya'ha'teeh.

**Council Delegate Eugene Tso:** I finished my report. Council Delegate did continue to cover his report which is attached.

**Motion by: Danny Francis**

**Second by: TiShawna Spencer**

**Discussions:**

**Vote: 10**

**Opposed: 0**

**Abstained: 1**

**Reports accepted.**

XII. Next scheduled Regular Chapter Meeting Date: 9-07-2021 Time: 5:00 PM.

**President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:**

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XIII. Adjournment at 7:34 PM by President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch.

Motion by: **Ferrenda Jake**

Second by: **Jerrison Jumbo**

Discussions:

Vote: 9 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 1

Submitted by



Secretary/Treasurer Roann Burbank

