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Planning Meeting Agenda






September 07, 2021


5:00 pm

- I. Meeting Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Invocation
- IV. Review and Approval of Agenda
- V. Announcements:
- VI. Community Concern:
- VII. Old Business:
- VIII. New Business:
 - A. CHIN-SEPT-021-050: REQUESTING OF EXTERNAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00 THROUGH THE NAVAJO TRANSITIONAL ENERGY COMPANY (NTEC) COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND 2021 FOR THE CHINLE CHAPTER GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSED CHINLE COMMUNITY ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT.
 - B. CHIN-SEPT-021-051: APPROVING THE CHINLE CHAPTER GOVERNMENT FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROJECT PRIORITY LIST.
- IX. Reports:
 - A. Peter Nez: Healthy Hooghans Project
 - B. Nicholas Chischilly: Navajo Fish and Wildlife
 - C. Lyn Carranza: National Park Services
 - D. Executive Director Dr. Fonda Charlie - Many Farms Community School
 - E. Johns Hopkins: Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine study, Elvira Honie
 - F. Johns Hopkins: Pfizer vaccine Booster study, Elvira Honie
 - G. John Hopkins: Safe Schools, Vanessa Begaye
 - H. ADABI: Lorena Halwood
- X. Next scheduled Regular Chapter Meeting Date: 09-28-2021 Time: 5:00 PM
- XI. Adjournment

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Sign-in Sheet

Date: 9/07/2021 ☒ Planning Meeting ☐ Regular Meeting ☐ Special Meeting

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Planning Meeting Agenda
September 07, 2021
5:00 pm

I. Meeting Call to Order by Chapter President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch at 5:03 pm.

II. Roll Call by Chapter President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch
Vice President Shawna Claw
S/T Roann Burbank
G/R Oscar Bia
LaCresha S. Campbell
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Lyn Carranza
Tyrone Begay
Kathleen Norton
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Elvira Honie
Mae Begay



III. Invocation by Oscar Bia.

IV. Review and Approval of September 07, 2021, Agenda presented by Chapter President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch.

Motion: Shawna Claw

Motion to add LaCresha Campbell (NNTU) to reports.

Shawna Claw rescinded original motion and made new motion to add Lacresha to new agenda.

Motion: Shawna claw

Second Roann Burbank

Discussions:

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Thank you, Any questions or comments?

S/T Roann Burbank: I did send you her resolution.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok, well we will vote.

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

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V. Announcements:

- a. Student Financial Aid for Fall 2022 is open for Chinle Chapter. Due date September 17th by 5:00 PM.

VI. Community Concern: **NONE**

VII. Old Business: **NONE**

VIII. New Business:

- a. **CHIN-SEPT-21-050:** REQUESTING OF EXTERNAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00 THROUGH THE NAVAJO TRANSITIONAL ENERGY COMPANY (NTEC) COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND 2021 FOR THE CHINLE CHAPTER GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSED CHINLE COMMUNITY ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT.

CCG Planner Tyrone Begay: Good evening, Madam President, Chapter Officials. Can you hear me?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Yes, sir.

CCG Planner Tyrone Begay: Speaker3: The Chinle Chapter Administration is looking to submit a proposal to Navajo Transitional Energy Company. We have the Community Benefit Fund application that is open currently and is set to close on October the 15th 2021 by 5:00 p.m. They have funding available. That can fund essentially (4) four different categories, the chapters are encouraged to apply for Education and Youth Development, Economic Development, Energy Sustainability, Environmental Stewardship. The chapter is looking to submit a proposal in terms of the energy sustainability criteria. What we're looking at, essentially, is to acquire three solar street light poles. There would be solar streetlights. So, if you've seen the Administration recently, the Staff employee parking lot, there is a solar street light pole there that was installed as a demo. That particular unit is what we're looking to purchase, three of those. They will go into three areas identified for the chapter. The first will be at the chapter compound, the warehouse behind the warehouse, as you know, that area is fairly dark and needs to be illuminated. So that would be one of the locations for placement of the pole. The second one will also be the transfer station, as you may recall, our transfer station has been vandalized, I believe, nine times so far. So, this would assist with the illumination of that area and then the last one would go where the community, where we have the water area the Manuelito well, which the chapter oversees right next to Ferrellgas that would provide illumination there. Um, in addition to streetlight poles, we're also looking to purchase three cameras. These cameras were proposed a couple of months back to the officials in terms of utilizing it for vandalism, theft, graffiti. It's a camera that's motion detected. It's also solar powered. This would go in conjunction with the solar poles. So, we would have placement on these poles with this camera device. The total cost for this particular project is \$53,425.00. Of that total cost we are requesting for \$30,000.00 from NTEC. And then the chapter would match. Um. Would provide match. In terms of cash and in-kind. Then we're also looking at NTUA in terms of in-kind services, the usage of their truck to dig the hole and then, of course, their boom to raise the solar pole when it's time to do so. So, all of this will get packaged and then submitted to NTEC for review and consideration. One of the requirements of courses is a cover letter, the application, W9 form and a Chapter support resolution. And then, of course, all the cost estimates and specifications, which

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we've compiled and we have listed ready to go. So, at this point, I'm asking for a Chapter support resolution at the upcoming September 28 Chapter meeting. Thank you. Are there any questions?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Thank you Tyrone. Any questions, Officials?

VP Shawna Claw: No questions.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Speaker2: Ok. Well, we did. Tyrone did really good going over the locations. We did really think about where we're putting these light poles as well as the security cameras. As Tyrone mentioned, the chapter has had a lot of break-ins, a lot of vandalism, a lot of graffiti and other inappropriate behavior on chapter property and at the transfer station, as well as Manuelito Well. We're also looking at safety and security. Manuelito Well, is our off Highway 189, next to the recycling shop there, tire shop and they they also need lighting out there during the evening when a lot of people are getting water. So, we propose those three locations for those specific reasons. So, this information that Tyrone is also reviewing and submitting and proposing has been documented as far as getting up to date quotes and also verifying the exact locations of these three proposed areas. So, they have done, the Chapter has done a lot of work in ensuring that they've done the product review and also reviewed the feasibility of the cameras, as well as our solar light. The solar that we have there at the Chapter compound is very bright. If you do drive by at night, you'll see it right off N7 there. So it is, I think, would be a beneficial asset to the community so we can be able to work safely and see at night and also prevent some vandalism that has been occurring on site. So, I don't have any issues with adding this onto our next Regular Chapter Meeting as New Business. Are there any other comments or questions from officials?

Motion: Shawna Claw

Second: Roann Burbank

Discussions:

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Are there any questions or comments at this time?

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

- b. **CHIN-SEPT-21-051:** APPROVING THE CHINLE CHAPTER GOVERNMENT FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROJECT PRIORITY LIST.
- c. **President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch:** We have been working on prioritizing our project listing. And we, I'm sorry, we have worked our last work session on the 27th have proposed projects for the next fiscal year as we are transitioning our new budgets over. We have reviewed and compiled a list of projects that we see moving forward within our Chinle Chapter community. So, I will share those items. Let me see, let me open this up real quick. So, first item we have under our 2022 Project Priority Listing is our Vendor Village project. Our Vendor Village project is located near the mouth of the Canyon De Chelly. We are proposing to add this project on our project list as we have been moving forward this fiscal year with getting the documentation needed to submit for design and engineering. We also have project number two, which is our N8095 Bridge Construction project. This is located north of Chinle, off Highway 191. Speaker2: The route is N8095 as our current flooding situation in water, waterways being overwhelmed. We are proposing to add this particular project back onto the NDOT listing, as well as a T-TIP as a priority for the Chinle Chapter Community. Project number three (3). We have listed is Flooding and Erosion. With the current heavy rainfalls, the water that we get from the mountains as well as Chinle Wash and Nazlini Wash, we are proposing to add this as a priority. We've had a current meeting with the Senator Kelly's team August 17th and 18th. We had them Chinle, specifically the Canyon De Chelly, in order to provide them some information on where our water comes from and also the silty sand buildup and also the eradication of the

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trees, specifically the Tamarisk, as well as the Russian olives. So, they are providing the chapter some guidance as far as funding opportunities, whether it is through ARPA. So, we are working on that current project. Project number four (4). Is our Local Sales Tax at a 2.5%, two point five percent (2.5%) rate. We are still pushing that project forward with the Board of Election Supervisors as well as the Election Administration. Project number five (5) is the N7 Solar Street Light. This is a project that has been proposed originally through the Sihasin Funds. The chapter is currently working to get grant updates through the CPMD department. Speaker2: We are working to get that grant carried out so we can pay past vendors as well as move forward in blue staking and providing new lighting light pole updates for the layouts and the current streets. Project number six (6), we are proposing to Del Muerto Head Start. This was also previously a Sihasin Fund that would work with our local Apache County, but we are currently getting meeting updates with that department in regards to the project scope of work. Project number seven (7), we are proposing is the South Manuelito Well Right of Way. The South Manuelito will again those located off Highway 191. We are proposing to get a right of way access turnout specifically for our well. Currently we are encroaching on a current business site lease. So, we are working with Chinle Regional Business Development Office in order to have internal agreement so we can still have our community members access the well. But we are also reviewing with the Arizona Department of Transportation the specifications and requirements needed in order to provide a turnoff on 191. So that is a current project that we are proposing. Project number eight (8), for FY 22 is Spider Rock 2.5 and 3 for the water line extensions. We have been working through Sihasin previously. Now we are also proposing this specific project through the ARPA funding, the American Rescue Plan Act through the federal government. Speaker2: We are working right now with the Navajo Nation to move those projects forward. We have provided a listing of names for those that live within the Chinle Chapter community, Del Muerto, Spider Rock, Chinle Valley Store, Chinle, and we've also included a few of the surrounding communities that were within the OEHE Project listing. So right now, we have compiled information for 194 residents, whether it's for bathroom additions or water lines. We are submitting that for approval and support for our community members. So again, for FY 2022 Project Listing, we're proposing to get approvals at our next Regular Chapter Meeting for (1) Vendor Village, (2) N8095 Bridge Construction, (3) Flooding and Erosion, (4) Local Sales Tax Ordinance, (5) N7 Solar Street Light, (6) Del Muerto Head Start, (7) South Manuelito Well right of way, and (8) Spider Rock 2.5 an 3. Are there any questions on that proposed resolution request?

Motion: Shawna Claw

Second: Oscar Bia

Discussions:

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Any questions or comments at this time? NONE

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

IX. Reports:

a. Peter Nez – Healthy Hooghans Project

Mr. Peter Nez: Madam President and Vice President, Secretary, Grazing Official and Honorable Council Delegate Eugene Tso. I'm happy to make this report to you, the community of Chinle and the citizens that are living in the area of a proposed research study that's been submitted to the Navajo Nation Human Resource Review Board. In the application, you they've always required that they'll ask if this information was shared with the community that would benefit from such a research study. So Healthy Hooghan Project

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is is an innovative project that is been developed through the Community Asthma Program and is currently includes the University of Arizona, University of Colorado and Navajo Technical University. In this development of this air purifier, it's a airfield that the students will be developing there in Crownpoint and their campus there in Chinle. As we all know that NTU is also in Teec Nos Pos and also in Kirkland. So these campus have been producing some plates, some individual students in engineering and nursing and whatever program that they have. So, this particular project is actually going to be something that's going to be developed here on Navajo, built by Navajo. And eventually they'll be used here on Navajo to help Navajo children that have been diagnosed with upper and lower respiratory diseases. So, this is such a unique opportunity to provide such a project to the community. So, I've also submitted the request for a resolution in my application that included a background on Healthy Hooghan Project and I sent it to Ms. Burbank. And I believe that she had forwarded all that information to this meeting for approval. So that's what I wanted to report today and thank you for giving me the time. And if you have any questions I'm available for to answer any questions that you may have.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Thank you, Mr. Nez, for providing information. Any questions or comments for Mr. Nez's Healthy Hooghan Project. Are you focusing specifically on Chinle or are you going to focus on other communities as well?

Mr. Peter Nez: That's a really good question. Thank you for asking. When we were out in the community identifying these children that have high cases of asthma, including Tuba City, Chinle and Fort Defiance, we identified 100 kids in Tuba City, 100 kids in Chinle, in 100 kids in Fort Defiance. And we establish an office there right next to Bashas over the past two years. And we're going to continue to stay there. We moved across two buildings from Pizza Edge and we're going to stay there until the end of our study, which ends in 2024. So, with that particular project, these kids were identified and we really focus on their children and Chinle area. We work with the Chinle Unified School District and all their schools and all their school personnel. And then we've also did the same thing on top of the hill at the Health Care Center. So, there's been a lot of training and a lot of education that has been going on over the past three years now. So Chinle is a really an area that we've really been focusing on for the last three years so far. So, there's been a lot of information that's been gathered and that information has been accumulated and has been reported to the Navajo Nation Human Research Review Board over the past three years. And we do come back and revisit the Chapter annually and provide an update on the project progress so that, you know, you guys are aware of what community as my program has been doing up to this point. But again, this is part of the whole study that's been going on. So, you know, the Healthy Hooghan Project was actually developed by a visiting doctor at the University of Arizona. His name is Dr. Wayne Morgan. He's been coming out to Navajo for the last 39 years, and he's very much aware of the children and knows the children there in Chinle. So yes, this project will benefit the people in the community of Chinle.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: And is a lot of your study like, are you doing surveys or what's your approach, your methodology?

Mr. Peter Nez: They call it a Step Wedge Intervention. So the intervention includes the community, the schools and the Health Care Centers. In that sense, they're very much focus on what the community is, and that includes the people that are living in the communities. So, you know, it took a lot of effort on our part to get the schools involved. The Chinle Unified School District with the help of Superintendent Quincy Natay. They opened up the whole school for them to be all retrained in American Lung Association Open Airways. The same thing happened there on top of the hill at the Health Care Center. You know, all those

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hospital personnel, including all their doctors, were all retrained in this effort to better diagnose the children in these communities, including Chinle.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Sounds good, thank you. Officials, are there any other questions or comments for Mr. Nez?

VP Shawna Claw: No comments.

Motion: Roann Burbank Second: Shawna Claw

Discussions:

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Any questions or Comments.

None

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

Resolution CHIN-SEPT-21-053 moved to September 28th Regular Chapter Meeting.

b. **Nicholas Chischilly – Navajo Fish and Wildlife**

Mr. Nicholas Chischilly: Yes, my name is Nicholas Chischilly. I work for Navajo Fish and Wildlife, and we are proposing that we get this resolution supporting passed to support legislation that's pending. We want to recommend to the Navajo Nation Council and also Navajo Nation President to enact legislation to allocate funding for emergency drought relief. And this just started from our RDC drought for the Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation of the Navajo Nation Council of the 24th Navajo Nation Council, which happened in July in mid-July. And this is when we visited numerous locations across Navajo Nation to look at the effects of drought and also to talk to different community members, different community leaders, Chapter Officials, Grazing Board Members, Land Board Members and also Grazing Officials. So, this is a result of many discussions about earthen dams, about decreasing lake and stream waters and also overgrazing and a whole combination of different issues. And we'd like and I would like to ask to be put on the Regular Chapter Meeting Agenda so we can further discuss this. Thank you.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Thank you, Mr. Nicholas, for providing that information, so we actually had you under Reports, so we're going to have to move you up to New Business for resolution requests. Were you, as far as a comment. Were you able to submit a proposed resolution for this supporting legislation?

Mr. Nicholas Chischilly: I believe so I can send it right now, if you like. But I have been juggling. I'm sorry not to make any excuses, but I have been juggling a lot of Chapter meetings today. I can send it right now.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok.

Mr. Nicholas Chischilly: Do I send it to the Chapter email?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Yes, you can send it to the Chapter email and then they'll disperse it to us.

Mr. Nicholas Chischilly: Ok, I will send that along with Drought Total Report

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok. While Mr. Nicholas is sending that information for the resolution request. Does anybody have any questions or comments, Officials?

VP Shawna Claw: So, I have a question. This is Shawna. Speaker1: I know that we did hear a report in the previous month, so this is going to be moving forward on to the resolution for September. Correct?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Yes, that's the request.

Mr. Peter Nez: Peter Nez from the Healthy Hoohgan Project on the line.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Any other questions or comments from Mr. Chischilly?

S/T Roann Burbank: Not at this time, Madam.

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Motion: Roann Burbank

Second: Shawna Claw

Discussions:

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Any questions or comments?

None

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

Resolution CHIN-SEPT-21-052 moved to September 28th Regular Chapter Meeting.

c. **Lyn Carranza – National Park Services**

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Hello, thank you. Thank you for having me, Madam President, for your PlanningBackground noises. I am interested in getting some input from the community regarding a plan that we are Court Ordered to produce. So, the plan has to do with overflights over the canyon for tourism. It's not about overflights of any other kind of aircraft, it's just those flights that are doing air tours. And I have received a number of complaints over the years from community members, from folks in the canyon, about low flying aircraft, and so I know it is a concern of the community and in our efforts to reach out Historic Preservation Office and other offices within the Navajo Nation Government have also been very much in support of getting some input from the community, at least documenting some of their concerns and and taking that into consideration as we move forward with this plan. And, you know, I just like to let everybody know that a few years ago, I was approached about this subject. There was an opportunity for all of the Parks to just approve the number of air tours that FAA had already given permission to. And I asked that we not do that, that we'd be exempt from that because I wanted to get community input before we we made that decision, so that happened a few years ago and and recently, it's been about a year now, the Courts have made a determination that FAA and the National Park Service must require plans for all these Parks that are exempt. So, so I want to make sure that we get input from the community about these overflights.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Thank you, Lyn. Speaker2: Can you provide like, are there existing existing flight routes I was looking through some of the information that you previously reviewed. Are there existing air tour routes within the canyon still?

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Yeah. So currently, the FAA had grandfathered in many years ago before I was superintendent, before Tom Clark was superintendent, had grandfathered three tour operators to do flights over Canyon De Chelly. I was surprised I was not aware of that I've been teaching community members how to get tail numbers of low flying aircrafts so that we could report them. And it turns out that a couple of those overflights may have actually been approved by FAA in the past because two of those three operators have not done overflights for at least five years. FAA is only looking at the one tour operator who flies over the canyon. I do have a map of his route. Essentially, it goes over the two arms of the canyon, so he flies over the two arms of the canyon and then circles back. My understanding is he flies out of Santa Fe and he does approximately 43 flights per year. So, it's there's still probably a lot more flights that are of concern over the canyon. The the tour operators are required to keep a minimum distance, you know, they can't fly down below the rims of the canyon, for example, they need to stay up. I believe it's a 1000 feet and that's from the rim, not from the bottom of the canyon. Speaker1: So that was what was approved by FAA many years ago. This plan will actually look at options for tour operators. For example, one scenario could be that tours, air tours are not permitted at all. One option could be that this one tour operator could continue to operate in the manner that he has been for several years and then another option could be that there could be increased tours in the future. But again, because over the years, I'm very concerned about this, and I've been very careful about it. And and and not allowed this to move forward until we start getting some input from the

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community. Because in the years that I've been at Canyon De Chelly, I have had quite a few concerns expressed by community members about low flying aircraft and that it's it can be disruptive to livestock and to, you know, if, for example, ceremonies are going on at the time or if there are concerns about wildlife, et cetera. So, I want to make sure that I'm giving a voice to the community and in taking that all into consideration as we move forward with the FAA. Speaker1: I have a map of, I don't know if I can share it here. Let me see if I can find it.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: I have the one that says Flights 2020, 11 20 2020. Is that the one existing airport?

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Yeah, that's that would be it. And it's essentially a loop and and it goes over the two arms of the canyon.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: I have it posted on the screen here.

Ms. Lyn Carranza: That's it. Yes.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Those that can see the screen, this is The National Park Services' has been working in conjunction with the various departments in order to gather some feedback. So, you can see. Here's a map of Canyon De Chelly National Monument. You can see the Chinle airport on the left end of the screen, and then you also see the various routes which are highlighted as the Southwest Safaris. So, these are the proposed routes or existing routes that have been reviewed. And then what Ms. Lyn is talking about, there is also some information, I'm sorry, Ms. Lyn. I'm going to read what you have here. So, they've had proposed actions and objectives. They understand the need to protect the cultural properties and any cultural landscapes important to the tribal residents of Canyon De Chelly. They also understand to limit disruption and noise and protect the privacy of tribal residents who live within the Park and within the our, agriculture, livestock and tourism. They also have Canyon De Chelly protects the landscape structures, archeological and ethnographic resources, and artifacts that reflect and document the history of the canyon system area. They also have protect individuals and population of wildlife species known to be sensitive to the effects of air traffic. So, they've also have another map here that indicates where there are Eagles and other Mexican Spotted Owls which are located within the canyon. And overall, they have an objective to protect the visitors and residents opportunities to experience a quiet and solitude in a remote natural setting. So, we've invited Ms. Lyn here this evening to provide the information in regards to this National Park Service project that they have been working on and getting feedback. But I wanted the community, those that are on the call, if you guys had any feedback and it could be repetition, but we want to be able to hear that. So that is why we invited Ms. Lyn Carranza from the National Parks to be able to provide this report. And we do have copies of this information that has been reviewed. I know sorry, Lyn, if I get this wrong, but we've reviewed it back in August, and then we've also been waiting for more feedback. And so that's why we we have her on the agenda this evening to provide this report. So, if there are any questions, community members feel free to state them comments, whether they're positive or negative. This is a chance for each of us to kind of give some feedback. So, thank you.

S/T Roann Burbank: Ms. Lyn Carranza. This is Roann, Secretary Treasurer. Speaker1: I know that you say that they're not. I mean, I don't know if you're saying that they're not very low flying planes, but I believe that some of these planes, like I can see them from my house, you know, there I can see them both planes and I believe they're going to the canyon. I'm concern about how the noise echoes and it startles the cattle and also the endangered birds and stuff down there. I never knew that they were doing flyovers. I know that several private planes have been over and they have been reported, I believe. And glad that it

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hasn't gone any further because I do have concerns about the flyovers. I don't support in increasing the flights. So thank you for your report.

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Thank you, and could I get your name again, please?

S/T Roann Burbank: yes, my name is Roann Burbank. I'm the Secretary Treasurer.

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Ok. Thank you so much for that comment.

VP Shawna Claw: Good evening Ms. Lyn Carranza. My name is Shawna Claw and I am the Vice President. The question I have is, where can we send community comments? Do you have an email or a phone number that you can provide for the community so that they can add in their input?

Ms. Lyn Carranza: I do, and lets see, does this have a chat feature? You know, you should be able to do, Oh, there it is, ok. I will type in my email address and yes, I will take comments. Lyncarranza@nps.gov

VP Shawna Claw: Ok, then for myself, what I want for you to record as a public comment is just to emphasize the fact that Canyon De Chelly is a Moratorium and that as far as the noise pollution, those are factors to consider. Also, as far as the geology of the canyon, as we know that noise can sometimes create movement of the rocks. And so with that just also include that. So that's pretty much what I want to add this evening, but I will add in more once I receive that information for the email, which it is showing. So, thank you.

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Yes, and you can share that email with community members. A lot of community members already have it, but please share it and they can send me comments. And what I'm doing is I'm compiling all of the comments and I will. I will put those forward to the Planning team as they are consulting with Navajo Nation Officials. The Navajo Nation Officials are wanting to wait for these comments to come in before making decisions for the community. And so I would say. If I could get comments from folks by the end of the month, is that enough time, do you think for people to get comments to me?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: What was that date again, Lyn? I'm sorry.

Ms. Lyn Carranza: The end of the Month.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok, so due date by September

S/T Roann Burbank: Yeah, I think that's plenty of time.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok, we can probably have that. So, we have it noted as well. So, if anybody comes by the chapter, we'll have those saved for you.

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Yes. And I will reach out also to we've had a number of people over the years expressed concerns, and so I know who those people are, and I will reach out to them specifically to get their comments officially in in writing. And so, you know, I figure I always figure if one person has reached out who is concerned, there are probably many others who are concerned but didn't reach out.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Sounds good. Any other questions or comments for Ms. Carranza?. Ok, well, thank you, Lynn, for being able to review this project, and we will get you some feedback. I'm sure we'll be talking soon again about it.

Ms. Lyn Carranza: Great. Thank you so much. Thank you. Appreciate your time.

d. Executive Director Dr. Fonda Charlie - Many Farms Community School

Dr. Fonda Charlie: Ya'ha'teeh. This is Dr. Charlie, Madame Chair, can you hear me?

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

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Dr. Fonda Charlie: Introduces herself in Navajo with her clans. I like to, you know, thank the chapter for allowing me to report on Many Farms Community School. We do get quite a bit of students from the Chinle Valley Store area as students at Many Farms community. And part of our endeavor is to make sure that we're trying to reach out to communities where our students come from. So, I like to do that on a monthly basis so that parents, guardians and families are informed of what's going on with Many Farms. We have been in school a little. We started August 4th. We're still in virtual setting due to CDC requirements. We have to have proper ventilation within our school building. Many Farms Community School is, you know, the current school building was built back in the, I believe, the 60s, 70s and just kind of just redone a little at a time. So, you know, their windows, they're are not improper, you know, they don't have proper ventilation, you know, that is required by CDC. So that's what we're working on to get all of those windows replaced in each of the classrooms. We are also in the process of replacing HVAC systems. Once we get all of those upgraded, then we'll be transitioning into a hybrid model for Many Farms Community School. So last school year and the beginning of this school year, you know, we're starting in virtual setting. Our goal was to be completed after or at least by October 18th, when students come back from Fall break. Unfortunately, the HVAC replacements, the industrial company that's in the United States and the Midwest is backlogged because of all the schools that need to replace their HVAC systems. We're told that it could be as late as November or December before ours will get shipped to us and then installed there at the school. So we're looking at, you know, aiming for January 2022 to, you know, be in a hybrid mode. Hybrid mode would allow students to come in two days out of the week and two days virtually. Basically, we'd be on a B model if there's 20 students in one class, only half of them will come in for (A) and the other half will come in for (B). We will be opening up our residential during the hybrid only for students that live way out and don't have adequate, you know, internet services, electricity that have been having issues. We do work packets. We work with the ESS Department. With our Special Education department to try to provide as much services as we can do to the ideal laws that we're bound by as a school, we would like and we are currently wanting parents to sit on any of our committees at the school. You know, we have Parent Teacher Committee, we have Dine'e Language Committee. We have on School Improvement Committees. We will be advertising through our Parent Coordinator, Robert Dalton, who's been a Parent Coordinator there for a number of years. Parents will be receiving some type of compensation or stipend to sit on there. That's an area of need. We have to do try to get as many stakeholders to be specifically involved with the decision making processes within our school. We were identified through cognitive and Department of Education to try to increase. Although we have a parent teacher committee that meets monthly to discuss items that relate to the school, we have taken it a step further to specifically have them sit on our committees as long as they're they have students enrolled, whether they're grandparents, parents, uncles, as long as they are the legal guardian to the child of Many Farms Community School, they have an opportunity to sit on the committee and receive compensation. When we do meet, and some of the committees meet twice a month, three times a month, depending on what they're working on. And we also have a Curriculum Committee, Dine'e Language and Culture Committee. So as far as moving forward for Many Farms Community School, we do have mass communication that goes out through our computer system that is set up through Nacess. And we also have Facebook that we have and post items on and our Many Farms Community School.org website that we also post updates on. We are going through a lot of, you know, good things that Many Farms due to the

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CARES funding and the American Relief Funds to improve and try to provide emotional support for students. You know, we're working diligently all the way from the Board down to the Staff members, and we work collectively as a team. We've had several team sessions, the Board and the Leadership team members and our Emergency Response Team. We also work closely with IHS in Chinle to make sure we're following the CDC guidelines. Last year, which they came in three times to do a walkthrough to allow for us to improve on things that are missing within our school. And thus far, we've complied with what they've regulated us to do. One of the big things that that has happened at Many Farms that were the first in Arizona is that we have a new sanitizing system and the robots they're called UVB out of Denmark. The company is actually out of San Francisco Bay. We did have individuals on site to make sure that our UVB are prepared to begin cleaning and sanitizing, specifically when students are in the classroom. So, it's a big thing for Many Farms, and we are the only one in Arizona currently. The closest one to us that has that same system is Gallup, McKinley County Schools in New Mexico, and they're the only school in New Mexico. So, we're trying to get innovative things with that. With the UVB systems, we are going to be incorporating some type of robotics for our students. We are looking at the space, which is more of 3D imaging type of education that deals with STEM education, science and math. So, this is my update for Many Farms Community School. I really appreciate everything that the community, both in Many Farms and Chinle and where all our students come from, were very appreciative. I don't know if you have any questions. Go ahead and ask me and I'll try to, you know, answer the best way I can if I don't have the answer, I will get back with you guys.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Thank you Dr. Charlie for your report for many Farms Community School. Anybody have any questions or comments, Officials?

VP Shawna Claw: Hello, this is Shawna. I just want to say thank you to Dr. Charlie for your report.

Ms. Renee Begay: Good Evening, this is Renee Begay. I just wanted to share with Dr. Charlie that we did drop off some books at the school to be given to the students. So, they are at the Security Building. Ahe'hee.

Dr. Fonda Charlie: Okay Thank you. We will disseminate them.

Ms. Renee Begay: Ahe'hee.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Well, thank you again, Dr. Charlie for providing that report, information you provided. Thank you.

Dr. Fonda Charlie: You're welcome. Have a nice evening all.

e. John Hopkins: Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine study, Elvira Honie

Ms. Elvira Honie: Yes, good evening, everybody. This is Elvira Honie. Can you guys hear me?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Yes, good evening, Elvira.

Ms. Elvira Honie: All right. Good evening, everybody. Thank you for allowing us to give the report this evening. My name is Elvira Honie. Introduces herself in Navajo with clans. I am a study coordinator at the Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health. I work in the Infectious Disease Society of our center, and today I'll be giving the reports for both the Pfizer COVID 19 original study that we started last Fall and where we're at now with our second study. That's from our main study. So overall, the reports from that is that over 277 people did volunteer to participate in our vaccine study with our center. And this is covering sites in Chinle, Shiprock, Gallup and White Mountain Apache Reservation amongst those individuals. We did have we did follow them for a full year. Some of them were eligible to participate in our second study,

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which is evaluating the safety and the efficacy of the booster dose. So, in addition to getting that first and second dose, we did and were able to give them the booster dose six months out. So, we'd finished that up at the beginning of August. We just wrapped that up, so everything went well there. We will follow these participants for an additional year, but so far results have come back very good. The results from those booster doses did show that the safety profile for them. We did have an amazing immune response to that that the booster dose did prove to be, it did give those participants higher antibody responses against SARS-CoV-2 virus, and this includes the Delta variants as well. So, this is something that we're hopeful for that, you know, it's going to also be authorized for the rest of the country and community. But for now, there's still some unknowns with the booster doses. So that's what we're testing at the moment. So far, the Pfizer COVID 19 vaccine was approved just recently on August 23rd. The FDA did approve that to get full licensure for the COVID 19 vaccine. And some people in our community have actually been authorized and given the booster dose. And these are people that are individuals who with weakened immune systems, people that are receiving certain treatments. And we hope that the IHS or we're anticipating that they're also going to be doing a tier style fashion where they're going to be offering booster doses to our community like they did before. So, this will be the same fashion as how our participants are going to be. So far, nobody in our study right now qualifies for unblinding. As some of you remember, our unblinding, as with our study is half of our participants did receive booster doses and half of our participants did receive placebo, which is Normal Saline. And this is so we can have a group to compare those results to. But so far, we all were on just the one follow ups for these participants, and we'll continue to follow them for a full year. But does anybody have any questions?

VP Shawna Claw: No questions.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok, thank you, Elvira, for the information provided and following up really quickly with the studies that your team has been doing at John Hopkins, I know you guys have been working hard with the community members and try to track all the various data with the COVID 19 and also your booster studies and vaccine studies. So, we appreciate the information you're gathering and also submitting for the community members review. So Ahe'hee.

Ms. Elvira Honie: Yeah, absolutely. Yes, thank you guys so much for having us on and having a on every month to give those reports. We really appreciate the time. So, thank you all.

f. John Hopkins: Pfizer vaccine Booster study, Elvira Honie

g. John Hopkins: Safe Schools, Vanessa Begaye

Ms. Vanessa Begaye: Good evening, everybody. My name is Vanessa Begaye. Introduces herself in Navajo with clans. I currently work as a research program assistant with Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health. I do work with the Behavioral Health team here in Chinle. So, with projects Safe Schools, I will be providing an update on it. Project Safe School started back in April, April 15, 2021 and it is extended until March 31st 2023. It is a two to three year project that we're currently doing, and with project Safe Schools there's two sides to it. One of them is what we're initially initiating inside the school. So, we are currently working with Chinle Unified School District and we are also working with Pinon District. And what we're doing is we're trying to have a safer way for students and staff to go back to in-person learning. And by doing that, we are implementing a pool COVID 19 testing so students and staff who consent to the program are doing the pool testing and with the pool testing, it's it's just like a short it's like a small swab that you use and the students themselves are able to swab, and it's just like picking your nose. So, it's not like the COVID

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19 testing that you do get at the hospitals. And with that, we did start the program with the schools back in August on the 10th of August. So Chinle Unified School District does it every Tuesdays and Pinon District does it every Wednesdays. And we do have a courier coming out from Flagstaff, Arizona, who picks up the samples and then they run the tests at their labs. And by that, we're able to identify any positive cases within the classrooms or within the school. And we do offer them the by next rapid testings. So, they are able to do their rapid testing to see which individual was positive within that classroom. So by doing that, we are trying to stop the spread of COVID 19 in the schools. And then the second part, the second part of our study is the research aspect, so we currently are looking for teachers, staff, students who are enrolled in schools on the Navajo Nation or are eligible to be in schools on the Navajo Nation. With that, we are doing surveys and we're also doing in-depth interviews and with those, we're just trying to gather information with factors that are with factors that are that involve COVID 19 and the in-person learning and how they play a role with students and staff and how they feel about it. And we also are looking for teachers and staff to do in-depth interviews to talk about how they feel, how COVID 19 is handled within the schools, and to be able for them to tell us like if there was a plan in place. So, we do have a set of questions with that. So that's what we are currently doing with project Safe Schools is we're currently in the recruiting stage right now trying to recruit potential participants for it. And then as of this week, we do have a total of 15 participants and then five within Chinle agency. And then the pool testing some of the results from the pool testing. As of our last weeks testing, which is the week of August 30th, we did have two hundred or 2,318 students who consented to do the pool testing and 478 Staff. So that's my update on project Safe School. Do you guys have any questions?

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ahe'hee, thank you, Ms. Vanessa, for the report provided for John Hopkins. As far as the school districts, what is the age group that you're using as participants for students?

Ms. Vanessa Begaye: So, with the school districts, that one is we usually do anyone who consents from 4 to or pre-kindergarten to 8th grade or also we are doing the high schools. So, we are working with Chinle High School as well. But for the research aspect of it, we are looking for parents and caregivers who are between the ages of 4 to 16 years old. And then for the in-depth interviews, we are looking for students who are 11 to 16 years old to do the in-depth interviews with us.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok. Awesome, and you're getting a lot of feedback, well, you're just starting, huh? So, yeah.

Ms. Vanessa Begaye: Yeah, we're just excited. About a month ago with the school districts and then with the research aspect of it, we started recruiting as of two weeks ago. So, this is an ongoing project that will happen until March 31st, 2023.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Awesome, thank you. Anybody have any questions or comments for the John Hopkins team? Well, thank you again, Ms. Vanessa Begay and Elvira Honie and the rest of your team that are on the call. We appreciate each of your team's effort and reports and information you provide the community. So, if you have, thank you.

h. ADABI: Lorena Halwood **Not on call**

i. LaCresha Campbell-Navajo Nation Fiber Optic Installation

Ms. LaCresha Campbell: Thank you, Madam President. Hello, everyone. My name is Lucretia Campbell. I am with the Navajo Nation Telecommunications and Utilities. So, the Navajo Nation was awarded 50 million from the ERate Program to install fiber optic support Chapter Libraries. This will provide internet access to local tribal members, and the library will be located inside the Chapter House and will be an

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extension of the main library in Window Rock. The requirements for the library will be at least one computer and a sign in sheet. The computer will be provided by the Department of Dine Education. We are asking the Chapter to approve our resolution and to add us to our next Regular Chapter Meeting as an action item to approve our resolution, recommending and supporting a Fiber Optic Broadband buildout for the Chapter Library. Also, approval of the IGA with the Department of Dine Education in the Chapter House. Thank you.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Thank you, LaCresha. I think I did receive a copy of your. Let me see your proposed resolution here. So it's the one for fiber optic, right? Recommending a supporting a fiber optic broadband build out and establishment of branch libraries at the chapter to be funded by the FCC, E-Rate funding and other funding sources?

Ms. LaCresha Campbell: Yes, Ma'am.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok, we did receive a copy of that this evening. So, Officials, are there any questions in regards to the proposed resolution request? And we will update this here to where you are a resolution for September as 054. Sorry for the confusion on the agenda, so we will add you back for a support resolution. Officials, any questions or comments for Lucretia Campbell? Is there any cost or any requirements as far as for chapters standpoint in regards to this request?

Ms. LaCresha Campbell: Yes, for the monthly cost. 90% of it will be covered by the Federal Government and 10% will be for the Chapters. I can provide all this information during my presentation during the Regular Chapter Meeting if you want.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Okay, thank you. And it's an IGA as well. Ok.

Ms. LaCresha Campbell: Yes.

President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch: Ok. Any other questions or comments, Officials?

Motion: Shawna Claw

Second: Roann Burbank

Discussions: None

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

Resolution CHIN-SEPT-21-054 moved to September 28 Regular Chapter Meeting.

Motion to accept reports.

Motion: Roann Burbank

Second: Shawna Claw

Discussions: NONE

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

X. Next scheduled Regular Chapter Meeting Date: 9-28-2021 Time: 5:00 PM.

XI. Adjournment by Chapter President Rosanna Jumbo-Fitch at 6:35 PM.

Motion: Shawna Claw

Second: Roann Burbank

Discussions: None

Vote: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

Submitted by RoAnn Burbank
Roann Burbank, Secretary/Treasurer