

Motion: Hon. Mel R. Begay
 Second: Hon. Davis Filfred
 VOTE: 20-0

Agenda of the
 23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
 NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE MEETING

January 21, 2016

Navajo Nation Council Chambers; Window Rock, Navajo Nation

PRESIDING: The Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates, Speaker, Navajo Nation Council

Hon. LoRenzo C. Bates, Speaker				
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE		RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES COM.	LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE
Hon. Seth Damon		Hon. Alton Joe Shepherd	Hon. Jonathan L. Hale	Hon. Edmund Yazzie
Hon. Dwight Witherspoon		Hon. Benjamin L. Bennett	Hon. Norman M. Begay	Hon. Raymond Smith, Jr.
Hon. Mel R. Begay		Hon. Davis Filfred	Hon. Nelson BeGaye	Hon. Kee Allen Begay, Jr.
Hon. Tom T. Chee		Hon. Leonard H. Pete	Hon. Nathaniel Brown	Hon. Jonathan Perry
Hon. Lee Jack, Sr.		Hon. Walter Phelps	Hon. Amber K. Crotty	Hon. Otto Tso
Hon. Tuchoney Slim, Jr.		Hon. Leonard Tsosie	Hon. Herman Daniels, Jr.	

1. CALL COMMITTEE MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION; ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS

3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA

(m) (s) (v)

4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNALS: NONE

5. RECEIVE REPORTS

A. Report by the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation presented by Christopher J. Bavasi, Executive Director

(m) (s) (v)

B. Report regarding the No Dead Natives initiatives by Emerson Toledo, Gordon Johnson, Ray Martin, Melanie Yazzie, and Stella Martin

(m) (s) (v)

C. Report by Office of the Attorney General on possible litigation with Peabody Coal by Ethel Branch, Attorney General

(m) (s) (v)

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. LEGISLATION 0002-16:** An Action Relating to Resource and Development, Budget and Finance Committee, Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the amount of \$1,786,340.00 for stipends for District Grazing Committee, Eastern Navajo Land Board, Major Irrigation Farm Boards

Sponsor: *Honorable Otto Tso*
Co-Sponsors: *Honorable Dwight Witherspoon*
Honorable Tom Chee
Honorable Seth Damon
Honorable Herman Daniels, Jr.

(m) *Honorable Jonathan Hale* (s) *Honorable Herman Daniels, Jr.* (v)

TABLING ACTION: Motioned by Hon. Seth Damon and Seconded by Hon. Dwight Witherspoon (Vote: 14 in Favor and 00 Opposed). Tabled to next Naabik'iyáti' Committee (1/14/2016); need to work on 1) waiver language and 2) department recommended changes.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. LEGISLATION 0408-15:** An Action Relating to Naabik'iyáti'; Supporting H. R. 511 and S. 248, the Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act of 2015

(m) (s) **SPONSOR:** *Honorable Jonathan L. Hale* (v)

- B. LEGISLATION 0006-16:** An Act Relating To Law And Order, Health, Education and Human Services And Naabik'iyati' Committees And The Navajo Nation Council; Establishing The Navajo Nation Veterans Administration And Navajo Nation Veterans Advisory Council And Amending 2 N.N.C. § 1703 AND 1704

(m) (s) **SPONSOR:** *Honorable Jonathan L. Hale* (v)

- C. LEGISLATION 0419-15:** An Action Relating to Law and Order, Health, Education and Human Services, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending the Navajo Preference in Employment Act at 15 N.N.C. §§ 604, 611 and 614

(m) (s) **SPONSOR:** *Honorable Dwight Witherspoon* (v)

- D. LEGISLATION 0012-16:** An Action Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Establishing an Energy Task Force

(m) (s) **SPONSOR:** *Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates* (v)

- E. LEGISLATION 0016-16:** An Action Relating to Law and Order, Naabik'iyáti' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Amending Navajo Nation Code, Title 17: Amending the Navajo Nation Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 2012

(m) (s) **SPONSOR:** *Honorable Edmund Yazzie* (v)

F. **LEGISLATION 0021-16:** An Action Relating to Naabik'iyati' and the Navajo Nation Council; Postponing the 2016 Navajo Nation Chapter Election and Extending Terms of Office for Elected Officials

SPONSOR: Honorable Leonard Tsosie

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G. **LEGISLATION 0004-16:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyati' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the amount of \$43,766 for Transport and Set Up of Modular Building including the Construction of a Foundation, Bathroom Facilities, and Installation of Plumbing and Electrical Equipment for Tsayatoh Chapter; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§820(I) and (C) relating to the Capital Improvement Process

SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

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H. **LEGISLATION 0008-16:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyati' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the amount of \$832,698 for the Rebuilding of 27 homes Destroyed by the Assayi Lake Fire and the Purpose of Hay and Fee to Provide for Livestock owned by Permittees Affected by the Assayi Lake Fire; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§820(I) and (C) relating to the Capital Improvement Process

SPONSOR: Honorable Mel R. Begay

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I. **LEGISLATION 0009-16:** An Action Relating to Budget and Finance, Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyati' and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the Amount of \$300,000, in the Form of a Grant for the St. Bonaventure Indian Mission School to Purchase Three School Buses

SPONSOR: Honorable Edmund Yazzie

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J. **LEGISLATION 0011-16:** An Action Relating to Budget and Finance, Naabik'iyati' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Appointing Jim R. Parris, as Navajo Nation Controller

SPONSOR: Honorable Dwight Witherspoon

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Lee Jack, Sr.

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Tom T. Chee

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso

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K. **LEGISLATION 0013-16:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee, Budget and Finance Committee and Naabik'iyati' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the amount of \$2,000,000 for the West Leupp Waterline Extension Project; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§820(I) and (C) relating to the Capital Improvement Process

SPONSOR: Honorable Walter Phelps

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- L. **LEGISLATION 0014-16:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyati' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the amount of One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,600,000) for Renovation or Replacement of Existing Homes in the former Bennett Freeze Area; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§820 and 860

SPONSOR: Honorable Walter Phelps

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso

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- M. **LEGISLATION 0015-16:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyati' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Adopting the Sihasin Fund Bulk Water and Waste Water Development Expenditure Plan Pursuant to CD-68-14 and 12 N.N.C. §2501 – 2508

SPONSOR: Honorable Leonard Tsosie

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- N. **LEGISLATION 0017-16:** An Action Relating To Resources And Development Committee, Budget And Finance Committee, Naabik'iyati' Committee And The Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding From The Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance In the amount of \$1,746,362 for the Birdsprings Chapter Northwest Powerline Extension Project; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§820(l) and 860 (C) Relating to the Capital Improvement Process

SPONSOR: Honorable Walter Phelps

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- O. **LEGISLATION 0018-16:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyati' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the amount of \$500,000 for the Cameron Chapter Demolition Project; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§820(l) and 860(C) relating to the Capital Improvement Process

SPONSOR: Honorable Walter Phelps

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- P. **LEGISLATION 0019-16:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyati' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Fund from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the Amount of \$500,000 for the Tolani Lake Senior Center Project; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§820(l) and (C) relating to the Capital Improvement Process

SPONSOR: Honorable Walter Phelps

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- Q. **LEGISLATION 0024-16:** An Action Relating To Health, Education and Human Services And Naabik'iyati'; Supporting State of New Mexico House Bill 127, "An Act Relating To Public School Code To Require That All Public School District Employees Provide Proof Of Satisfactory Clearance. Of A Fingerprint-Based Background Check"

SPONSOR: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale

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8. CLOSE OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT