RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
Regular Meeting – October 16, 2019
10:00 A.M.

PRESIDING: Rickie Nez, Chairperson
Thomas Walker, Jr., Vice-Chairperson

LOCATION: Navajo Nation Council Chambers
Window Rock, (Navajo Nation), Arizona

1. Call Meeting to Order; Roll Call; Invocation; and Announcements;

   ( ) Rickie Nez  ( ) Wilson Stewart, Jr.
   ( ) Thomas Walker, Jr. ( ) Herman M. Daniels
   ( ) Mark Freeland ( ) Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

2. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:

3. Reviewing and Approving the Agenda:
   Main Motion: S: V: Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WSewartJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

4. Reviewing and Approving Journal(s):
   Main Motion: S: V: Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WSewartJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

5. Receiving Reports:

   A. Update Report – Abandoned Mine Land/UMTRA Office   Presenters: Madeline Roanhorse, Department Director
      Main Motion: S: V: Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WSewartJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

   B. 2017 and 2018 Exit Report of the Navajo Nation Fair Program from Department of Navajo Parks and Recreation Department   Presenter: Martin Begaye, Department Director, Navajo Parks and Recreation Department
      Main Motion: S: V: Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WSewartJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

   C. 2019 Navajo Nation Fair Close-Out Report – Presenter: Leo C. Watchman, Department Director, Navajo Department of Agriculture
      Main Motion: S: V: Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WSewartJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )
D. Report from the Navajo KTNN Enterprise–**Presenter:** Troy Little, CEO, KTNN Enterprise.

Main Motion: S: V: 

_Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )_

6. Old Business:

A. **Legislation # 0073-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Naabik’Iyati Committee; and the Navajo Nation Council: Rescinding CO-50-13; Declaring the Navajo Nation’s Intention to Move Beyond Coal Source Revenues and Forward to Sustainable and Renewable Energy Sources; Directing the Department of Justice to Draft the Navajo Nation Energy Policy of 2019 in Conformity with the Declaration; Establishing the Navajo Generating Station – Kayenta Mine Transition Taskforce; Directing Division Directors to Report Regarding Adherence to the Change in the Nation’s Energy Policy. **Sponsor: Honorable Elmer Begay**

**Legislative History:**

April 10, 2019: Considered by RDC and there was no main motion established because the Motion there was a motion to delete off the agenda with directive for Sponsor Elmer Begay to schedule a work session for the 24th Navajo Nation Council;

April 11, 2019: Naabik’Iyati Committee was referred to a Naabik’Iyati Committee work session. Vote of: 12-1-0;

May 28, 2019: Comments received from President Jonathan H. Nez regarding Legislation # 0073-19: Attached to Legislation as Inconclusive Comments receive;

July 11, 2019: Naabik’Iyati Committee considered the matter and several amendments were made and failed; and was referred to Navajo Nation Council for further discussion;

July 16, 2019: Navajo Nation Council tabled the matter for 90 days;

July 16, 2019: Sponsor petitioned NNC to reconsider the NNC tabling action and thereafter the matter was refer back to RDC for further consideration. There is one pending one amendment with Navajo Nation Council. It appears the Council was in the midst of the amendment discussion with the matter was tabled;

October 14, 2019: RDC held a work session with Sponsor Elmer Begay and the Haa’Yoolkaal Group. RDC reached a consensus with Delegate Begay a work session will be scheduled in early November 2019 to revisit the energy policy and incorporate amendments as proposed by both Delegate Begay and Haa’Yoolkaal Group.

7. New Business:

A. **Legislation # 0280-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee; Accepting the Special Review of the Navajo Land Department Home Site Lease Process Submitted by the Office of the Auditor General, and Approving the Corrective Action Plan Submitted by the Navajo Land Department. **Sponsor: Honorable Mark A. Freeland**

Main Motion: S: V: 

_Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )_

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B. **Legislation # 0296-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Approving the Grant of Rights-of-Way to Continental Divide Electric Cooperative, Inc., for the Echo Canyon Powerline Project located on Navajo Nation Trust Lands in Mariano Lake Chapter Vicinity (McKinley County, New Mexico)  
*Sponsor: Honorable Edmund Yazzie*  

Main Motion: S: V:  
*Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WS StewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )*  

C. **Legislation # 0288-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committees; Approving a Change in Project In Resolution CAP-35-18; Approving a Change in Funding From Year 3 to Year 2 for the Chinle Chapter Del Muerto Headstart Improvement Project.  
*Sponsor: Honorable Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.*  

Main Motion: S: V:  
*Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WS StewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )*  

D. **Legislation # 0289-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committee; Amending the Navajo Parks and Recreation Department Enterprise Funding Management Plan A Approved in BFAU-41-05.  
*Sponsor: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.*  

Main Motion: S: V:  
*Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WS StewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )*  

E. **Legislation # 0292-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Amending RDCD-97-18 Such That Non-Profit Electric Utility Companies That Provide Service to Navajo Residents on Navajo Trust Land in The Eastern Navajo Agency May Be Afforded a Waiver of One Hundred Percent (100%) of the Right-of-way Consideration.  
*Sponsor: Honorable Mark A. Freeland*  

Main Motion: S: V:  
*Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WS StewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )*  

F. **Legislation # 0293-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Amending GSCAP-12-07 By Approving Amendments to the Plan of Operation for the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development.  

Main Motion: S: V:  
*Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WS StewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )*  

G. **Legislation # 0302-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Budget and Finance Committee; Naabik’íyati Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Restating that Resolution Nos. CD-60-13 and CAP-13-15, Which approved a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity and General Indemnity Agreements for the Navajo Transitional Energy Company, LLC Specifically
Applied Only To the Navajo Mine Purchases.  

Sponsor: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton  
Co-Sponsor: Honorable Vince James.

Main Motion:  
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Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStertJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

H. Legislation # 0306-19: An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Budget and Finance and Naabik’iyati Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Approving and Adopting the Tselani (Cottonwood) Powerline Extension Project Sihasin Expenditure Plan Pursuant to CD-68-14 and 12 N.N.C. §2501-2508  

Sponsor: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

Main Motion:  
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Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStertJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

I. Legislation # 0307-19: An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Amending and Updating the Navajo Nation’s Natural Heritage Program Endangered Species List.  

Sponsor: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

Main Motion:  
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V:  
Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStertJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

J. Legislation # 0309-19: An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Approving Lease Modification Number Four (4) to Novate Lease No. TC-95-145 for MJ Mike Enterprise, Inc., to a Navajo nation Lease to be Governed by Navajo Nation Business Site Leasing Regulations of 2005 and to Reduce the Lease Term From Thirty (30) Year to Twenty-Five (25) Years.  

Sponsor: Honorable Herman M. Daniels

Main Motion:  
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Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStertJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

K. Legislation # 0310-19: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committees; Approving a Change in Project in Resolution CAP-35-18, Exhibit D Project 125; Approving a Change in Project Type for the Greenhouse Project.  

Sponsor: Honorable Vince R. James

Main Motion:  
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Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStertJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

L. Legislation # 0311-19: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committees; Approving a Change in Project in Resolution CAP-35-18 For Cornfield Chapter; Amending The Funds To Be Expended For Exhibit D No. 123 Deer Point Development and Exhibit D. No. 126 Backhoe Purchase Project.  

Sponsor: Honorable Vince R. James

Main Motion:  
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V:  
Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStertJr ( ) KBegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )
M. **Legislation # 0312-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committees; Approving a Change in Project in Resolution CAP-35-18, Exhibit D Project 125 Approving a Change in Project Type for Rural Addressing E911 Project. **Sponsor:** Honorable Vince R. James

Main Motion: S: V:  
Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

N. **Legislation # 0313-19:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and the Budget and Finance Committees; Accepting the Special Review of Oljato Chapter Submitted by the Office of the Auditor General and Approving the Corrective Action Plan Submitted by the Oljato Chapter. **Sponsor:** Honorable Herman M. Daniels

Main Motion: S: V:  
Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

N. Approving to Schedule a Work Session to Revise the 2013 Navajo Energy Policy Amendment Work Session with Delegate Elmer Begay and Haa’Yoolkaal Group. Date: _________________

Main Motion: S: V:  
Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

O. Approving to Schedule a Work Session regarding the Navajo Partitioned Land Grazing Permit Reissuance with Department of Agriculture; BIA-NPL Office and BIA Regional Office. Date: _________________

Main Motion: S: V:  
Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

8. Conclusion of Committee Meeting; Other Announcements; Adjournment:

Main Motion: S: V:  
Row Call Vote: MFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) TWalkerJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) Rickie Nez ( )

NOTE: The public is advised that the Resources and Development Committee Agenda is not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Committee at a duly called Committee meeting pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 183. Navajo Nation Standing Committee Rule No. 8.