



**APPROVED AGENDA OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**SPRING SESSION
April 19 – 23, 2021
10:00 AM**

**Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

**Call-in Number: (669) 900-6833
Meeting ID: 928 871 7160
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PRESIDING: Honorable Seth Damon, Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council

1. CALL SESSION TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION
2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS TO THE NAVAJO NATION
3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA
(m) Hon. Kee Allen Begay, Jr. (s) Hon. Eugene Tso (v) 21 – 0
4. RECEIVE THE STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE NAVAJO NATION
(m) (s) (v)
5. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE NAVAJO NATION
(m) (s) (v)
6. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
(m) (s) (v)
7. RECEIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE CONTROLLER

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| 8. ORAL REPORTS | | | |
| A. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| B. Indian Health Services (IHS) | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| C. Attorney General | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| D. Navajo Nation Youth Advisory Council | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| E. Naat'aanii Development Corporation | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| 9. WRITTEN REPORTS | | | |
| A. Standing Committees | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| B. Boards and Commissions | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| C. Bureau of Indian Affairs | (m) | (s) | (v) |
| D. Indian Health Services Area Director | (m) | (s) | (v) |

10. OLD BUSINESS:

- (A) **LEGISLATION 0313-20:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$19,500,000 in Sihasin Funds to the Navajo Division of Transportation for the N8031/N4 Road Project; Approving and Adopting the N8031/N4 Road Project Expenditure Plan Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501 – 2508 **(2/3)**
SPONSOR: Honorable Jimmy Yellowhair

(m) Hon. Raymond Smith, Jr. (s) Hon. Edison J. Wauneka (v)

01/27/2021 – Motion to Table Legislation 0313-20 to have a Budget and Finance Committee Work Session and for Navajo Department of Transportation can complete Archeological Clearances then bring legislation 0313-20 back to the Navajo Nation Council no later than the Navajo Nation Council Spring Session; (M) Honorable Daniel E. Tso; (S) Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.; (V) 15 In Favor, 07 Opposed (Speaker Damon Not Voting)

- (B) **LEGISLATION 0315-20:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$1,424,705 in Sihasin Funds to the Navajo Division of Transportation for the N8065 Oraibi Wash Project; Approving and Adopting the N8065 Oraibi Wash Project Expenditure Plan Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501 – 2508 **(2/3)**
SPONSOR: Honorable Jimmy Yellowhair

(m) Hon. Jimmy Yellowhair (s) Hon. Charlaine Tso (v)

01/27/2021 – Motion to Table Legislation 0315-20 so the Navajo Department of Transportation can complete Archeological Clearances then bring legislation 0315-20 back to the Navajo Nation Council no later than the Navajo Nation Council Spring Session; (M) Honorable Daniel E. Tso; (S) Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.; (V) 17 In Favor, 05 Opposed (Speaker Damon Not Voting)

- (C) **LEGISLATION 0023-21:** An Action Relating to Budget and Finance Committee, Resources and Development Committee, Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$2,644,380.00 from the Sihasin Fund to the Division of Community Development for the Purchase of Fire Trucks and Ambulances for the Ganado Fire District; Adopting the Sihasin Ganado Fire District Emergency Vehicle Expenditure Plan Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501 - 2508 **(2/3)**
SPONSOR: Honorable Vince R. James

(m) Hon. Eugenia Charles-Newton (s) Hon. Herman M. Daniels, Jr. (v)

03/26/2021 – Motion to Table Legislation 0023-21 for no longer than 30 days and schedule a work session with Apache County; and create options to disburse Sihasin Funds divided amongst the 24 delegate regions; (M) Honorable Rickie Nez; (S) Honorable Daniel E. Tso; (V) 17 In Favor, 06 Opposed (Speaker Damon Not Voting)

11. NEW BUSINESS

- (A) **LEGISLATION 0042-21:** An Act Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the Amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for the Navajo Nation Department of Justice Water Rights Litigation Unit to Continue Litigation on Behalf of the Navajo Nation and to Protect the Navajo Nation's Water Rights; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§ 820 (E), (F), and (N) (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Elmer P. Begay

(m) (s) (v)

- (B) **LEGISLATION 0055-21:** An Act Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$833,333.00 in Síhasin Funds to the Navajo Division of Transportation for the Route 8070 Road Improvement Project; Approving and Adopting the Route 8070 Road Improvement Project Expenditure Plan Pursuant to 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508 (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Carl R. Slater

(m) (s) (v)

- (C) **LEGISLATION 0058-21:** An Act Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the Amount of \$1,244,913.00 for the Navajo Department of Criminal Investigations to Continue Providing Effective Services for the Navajo Nation; Waiving 12 N.N.C §§ 820 (E), (F), and (J) (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

(m) (s) (v)

- (D) **LEGISLATION 0270-19:** An Action Relating to Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Rescinding CD-85-18 which amended the Navajo Nation Permanent Fund Income Five Year Expenditure Plan, CAP-19-16, regarding Fourth Year Funding for Fort Defiance Agency Projects

SPONSOR: Honorable Elmer P. Begay

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Edison J. Wauneka

(m) (s) (v)

- (E) **LEGISLATION 0318-20:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Amending the Navajo Nation Council Standing Committee Rules of Order

SPONSOR: Honorable Vince R. James

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton

(m) (s) (v)

- (F) **LEGISLATION 0011-21:** An Act Relating to Budget and Finance Committee, Law and Order Committee and Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Establishing the Navajo Nation Hashkééjí Nahat'á Béeso Bá Hooghan by Amending Title Twelve of the Navajo Nation Code; Directing that the Award Received Through Navajo Nation V. Department of Interior, No.

14-cv-1909 (TSC), Be Deposited in the Hashkééjí Nahat'á Béeso Bá Hooghan After Reimbursment of Litigations Costs; Directing that the Proceeds from Future Litigations Related to the Judicial Branch's P.L. 93-638 Contracts or Annual Funding Agreements Be Deposited in the Hashkééjí Nahat'á Béeso Bá Hooghan; Establishing that the Fixed Cost Litigation Account Shall Be Reimbursed for Litigation Costs **SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton**

(m) (s) (v)

- (G) **LEGISLATION 0031-21:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Naabik'iyáti' and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Reinstatement of Louise Rae Pavinyama as a Member of the Navajo Nation **SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso**

(m) (s) (v)

- (H) **LEGISLATION 0045-21:** An Action Relating to Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Permanent Fund Income Five-Year Expenditure Plan for Fiscal Years 2022-2026; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 1162 (B) for a Limited Time Period **SPONSOR: Honorable Jamie Henio**
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Edison J. Wauneka

(m) (s) (v)

- (I) **LEGISLATION 0059-21:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Ms. Natasha Goldtooth to the Commission on Navajo Government Development for a Term of Two (2) Years as the Dine' College Student Representative **SPONSOR: Honorable Daniel E. Tso**
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Pernell Halona

(m) (s) (v)

- (J) **LEGISLATION 0063-21:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Amending Council Resolution CN-88-20, the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2021 Comprehensive Budget; Approving the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration and Veterans Trust Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 **SPONSOR: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.**

(m) (s) (v)

- (K) **LEGISLATION 0070-21:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Mrs. Loretta T. Seweingyawma to the Commission on Navajo Government Development, for a Term of Four Years, as the Western Navajo Agency Council Representative **SPONSOR: Honorable Paul Begay**

(m) (s) (v)

- (L) **LEGISLATION 0072-21:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Mr. James Benally to the Commission on Navajo Government Development, for a Term of Four Years, as the Northern Navajo Agency Council Representative **SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty**
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Rickie Nez

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12. CLOSE OF SESSION; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT

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