RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, July 13, 2022
10:00 a.m.

APPROVED AGENDA

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

LOCATION: Church Rock Chapter
57 Telstar Road
Church Rock, New Mexico 87311

via Telecommunications
Call-In Number: 1-669-900-6833
Zoom Meeting ID: 732-628-2566
Passcode: 86515

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

   [__] Rickie Nez (C)  [__] Thomas Walker, Jr. (VC)  [__] Kee Allen Begay, Jr.
   [__] Herman M. Daniels, Jr.  [__] Mark A. Freeland  [__] Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.

2. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:

3. Reviewing and Approving the Agenda:

   M:  S:  V:

   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WSStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

4. Reviewing and Approving Journal(s): June 29, 2022 (Regular Meeting)
   July 06, 2022 (Regular Meeting)

   M:  S:  V:

   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WSStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

5. Receiving Reports:

Commission, and Myron Armijo, Native American Tribal Liaison, Office of the State Engineer, State of New Mexico

Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

B. Report from Navajo Agricultural Products Industry (NAPI) on the Rising Hay Cost and if there’s going to be a Shortage in Hay/Feed due to the Drought. Presenter: David Zeller, Chief Executive Officer, Navajo Agricultural Products Industry

Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

C. Update Report from the Division of Natural Resources and Department of Agriculture on the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund and Amounts Expended on Hay/Feed. Presenters: Dr. Rudolph R. Shebala, Division Director, Division of Natural Resources and Leo Watchman, Jr., Department Manager, Department of Agriculture, Division of Natural Resources

Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

D. Report on the Freight Rail Line Feasibility Study in San Juan County, New Mexico. Presenters: Tom Chee, Consultant, and Al Henderson, AHEC.

Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

E. Report from Navajo Technical University—New Mexico Tech on the Navajo Nation Water Purification Project. Presenter: Dr. Abhishek RoyChowdhury, Assistant Professor, Environmental Science and Natural Resources, Navajo Technical University

Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

F. Update Report from District 16 Land Board. Presenter: Anthony Begay, Land Board, Mariano Lake / Smith Lake / Tseyatoh / Rock Springs Chapters District, 16 Chairperson, Eastern Agency Joint Land Board Chairperson

Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

6. Old Business: None.
7. **New Business:**

A. **Legislation #0109-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’íyáti’ Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Allocating $18,880,105 from the Síhasin Fund to NavaMill Lumber & Logging Company for its Proposed Forest Products Business to be Constructed in Sawmill Chapter; Approving the Related Expenditure Plan Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 2501 - § 2508.  
   **Sponsor:** Honorable Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.

   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

B. **Legislation #0111-22:** An Action Relating to the Resources and Development and the Naabik’íyáti’ Committee; Supporting the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition: A Collaborative Land Management Plan for the Bears Ears National Monument.  
   **Sponsor:** Honorable Herman M. Daniels  
   **Co-Sponsor:** Honorable Seth Damon

   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

C. **Legislation #0113-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, and Budget and Finance Committee; Accepting the Auditor General’s Audit Report of the Upper Fruitland Chapter and Approving the Chapter’s Proposed Corrective Action Plan.  
   **Sponsor:** Honorable Rickie Nez

   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

D. Approving an in-person Work Session on the Red Lake Navajo Forest Products Industries (NFPI) at Red Lake Chapter in Navajo, New Mexico on Friday, July 22, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

E. Approving an in-person Leadership Meeting to conduct a site tour of Westwater Community near Blanding, Utah to look at the lack of infrastructure and housing on August __, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

8. **Close of Meeting; Announcements; Adjournment.** ________

   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )
THE AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE: The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committee at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2.N.N.C. §§163 and 183. Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7 and Standing Committee Rule of Order No. 8.