

**NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE OF THE
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

SPECIAL MEETING

Call-in Number: (669) 900-6833
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Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)

Thursday, November 16, 2023 – 10:00 AM

APPROVED AGENDA

PRESIDING CHAIR: Honorable Crystalyne Curley, Speaker, 25th Navajo Nation Council

Hon. Crystalyne Curley, Speaker			
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE	HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES COMM.	RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT COMM.	LAW & ORDER COMMITTEE
Hon. Shaandiin Parrish (c)	Hon. Vince R. James (c)	Hon. Brenda Jesus (c)	Hon. Eugenia Charles-Newton (c)
Hon. Carl R. Slater (vc)	Hon. Germaine Simonson (vc)	Hon. Casey A. Johnson (vc)	Hon. Cherilyn Yazzie (vc)
Hon. Lomardo Aseret	Hon. Helena Nez Begay	Hon. Shawna A. Claw	Hon. Steven R. Arviso
Hon. Norman M. Begay	Hon. Dr. Andy Nez	Hon. Rickie Nez	Hon. Herman M. Daniels
Hon. Amber Kanazbah Crotty	Hon. George H. Tolth	Hon. Danny Simpson	Hon. Nathan Notah
Hon. Seth Damon	Hon. Curtis Yanito	Hon. Otto Tso	(C) Chair & (VC) Vice-Chair

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION**
- 2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS (2 Minute Limit per Delegate)**
- 3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA**

(m) Hon. S. Damon (s) Hon. C. Yanito (v) 12-00 (cnv)

- 4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNALS: November 9, 2023**

(m) (s) (v)

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. **LEGISLATION 0080-23:** An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance Committee, The Naabik'iyáti Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving a Moratorium on all Future Allocations from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance ("UUFB"), the Síhasin Fund, and Permanent Fund Income

SPONSOR: Honorable Carl R. Slater

(m) Hon. B. Jesus (s) Hon. C. Johnson (v)

08/24/23 – Motion to Table Legislation 0080-23 to hold a Naabik'iyáti' Committee Work Session before the Navajo Nation Council Fall Session; Motioned by Hon. Norman M. Begay; Seconded by Hon. Steven R. Arviso; Vote: 14 in Favor, 02 Opposed (Chairwoman Curley not voting).

10/09/23 – Naabik'iyáti' Committee Work Session

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. CONSENT AGENDA

LEGISLATION 0234-23: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee and Naabik'íyáti' Committee; Supporting the Re-Authorization and Funding of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act

SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Brenda Jesus
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso

LEGISLATION 0246-23: An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance, Resources and Development, and Naabik'íyáti' Committees, and to the Navajo Nation Council; Amending CMY-54-18 to Extend Through Crop Year 2028 the Síhasin Fund Guarantee for the Navajo Nation's Annual Premiums for the "Rainfall Index Pasture, Rangeland, and Forage Pilot Insurance Program" Administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

SPONSOR: Honorable Brenda Jesus
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

LEGISLATION 0243-23: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'íyáti' Committees; Supporting and Approving Navajo Health Foundation- Sage Memorial Hospital, Inc.'s Acceptance of the Produce Prescription Pilot Program (P4) Grant Awarded by the United States Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health Services

SPONSOR: Honorable Andy Nez
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

LEGISLATION 0244-23: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'íyáti' Committees; Approving and Authorizing a Contract Between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior Under 25 U.S.C § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, as Amended) for a Three-Year Term for the Johnson O'Malley Program; Beginning January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2026; Approving and Authorizing the Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Period of the Contract Term

SPONSOR: Honorable Vince R. James
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

LEGISLATION 0250-23: An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance Committee, the Health, Education and Human Services Committee, The Naabik'íyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$500,000 from the Síhasin Fund to Utah State University Towards a New Education Building Located in Monument Valley; Approving the Related Expenditure Plan

SPONSOR: Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Andy Nez

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7. RECEIVE REPORTS:

A. Report on the Navajo Area BIA Office. Presented by Bart Stevens, *Deputy Bureau Director*, Field Operations, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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B. Report on the Impact of a Possible Federal Government Shutdown. Presented by Justin Ahasteen, *Executive Director*, Navajo Nation Washington Office.

(m) (s) (v)

C. Report and presentation on the Navajo Homeowner Assistance Fund - Loan Program. Presented by Todd Francis, *COO/CFO*, Native Community Capital; Debbie Nez-Manuel, *Division Director*, Division of Human Resources; Thomas Cody, *Division Director*, Division of Social Services.

(m) (s) (v)

D. Report on the Arizona Water Rights Settlement. Presented by Ethel Branch, *Attorney General*, Department of Justice. (*Executive Session Required*)

(m) (s) (v)

E. Report on Issues regarding the Chapter Administration. Presented by Division of Community Development and Administrative Service Centers staff.

(m) (s) (v)

8. CLOSE OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA 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.

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