

## JOURNAL

**LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE OF THE  
23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL  
April 13, 2015  
Regular Meeting**

**PRESIDING:** Hon. Edmund Yazzie, Chairperson  
Hon. Raymond Smith, Jr., Vice Chairperson  
Navajo Nation Council Chambers - North Conference  
Room

**I. Call Meeting to Order; Roll Call; Invocation; and Announcements.**

**Edmund Yazzie, Chair called meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.**

**Roll call by Michael Martinez:**

- **Present:** Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Raymond Smith, Jr., Edmund Yazzie, Otto Tso (arrived shortly after), Jonathan Perry (arrived at 10:28 a.m.)

**Invocation presented by Kee Allen Begay, Jr.**

**Announcements:**

- Next Meeting - To be discussed (April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Holiday)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council Spring Session April 20, 2015 thru April 24, 2015
- USJOD Special Meeting in Phoenix, AZ April 17, 2015
- Invited to Leadership dinner with US Health Committee at Quality Inn April 13, 2015
- NABI Workshop at Twin Arrow at 10:00 a.m. April 12, 2015
- NABI Session in Window Rock, AZ at 10:00 a.m. April 16, 2015
- Shareholder Meeting Wednesday April 15, 2015 representing at Twin Arrows, AZ
- Navajo Times Shareholders meeting May 7, 2015
- Thursday April 16, 2015; Directive meeting with NHA work session
- Approved the committee to travel for Law and Justice Day.
- President and Vice President Office is searing Ceremony at office at Twin Arrows between the Coconino County cross commission office Mr. Billson will be attending that this Friday April 17, 2015

**II. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials.**

Welcome everyone, Rep. Honorable Albert Hale

**III. Reviewing and Approving the Agenda. Michael Martinez read into the record**

**Motion:** Otto Tso  
**Second:** Raymond Smith, Jr.  
**Vote:** 3 - 0

**IV. Reviewing and Approving Journal(s):** February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015  
April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

**Motion:** Otto Tso  
**Second:** Raymond Smith, Jr.  
**Vote:** 3 - 0

**V. Receiving Reports: NONE**

**VI. Old Business: NONE**

**VII. New Business:**

**1. Legislation No. 0094-15** Relating to Law and Order; Selection of Shareholder Representative from the Law and Order Committee for the Navajo Community Development Financial Institution. **(Sponsor; Hon. Dwight Witherspoon and Hon. Otto Tso)**

**Michael Martinez Read into the Record**

**Motion called; second Motion called; third motion called**

**NO SPONSOR - NO ACTION TAKEN ON THE LEGISLATION**

**2. Legislation No. 0100-15** Relating to Law and Order and NAABIK' IYATI' Committee and The Navajo Nation Council; Amending 5 N.N.C § 204 (A) The Navajo Business Opportunity Act to classify Navajo Nation owned businesses and enterprises as primary one Navajo owed business. **(Sponsor; Hon. Jonathan Hale)**

**No Sponsor**

**3. Legislation No. 0111-15** Relating to Law and Order; Expressing no Confidence in Executive Director of Navajo Division of Public Safety and Recommending Removal of Executive Director. (**Sponsor; Hon. Edmund Yazzie**)  
**Presiding Raymond Smith, Jr. Vice-Chair**  
**Michael Martinez read into the record**

**Motion:** Jonathan Perry  
**Second:** Otto Tso

**Sponsor: Edmund Yazzie asked to table motion: would like to gather more information before acting on legislation**

**Motion to Table:** Otto Tso  
**Second to Table:** Jonathan Perry  
**Vote to Table:** 3 in Favor - 1 Oppose

**4. Legislation No. 0083-15** Relating to Health, Education and Human Services; Law and Order, NAABIK'IYATI' and Navajo Nation Council; Reaffirming Navajo Nation's Policy against Legalizing Marijuana. (**Sponsor; Hon. Edmund Yazzie**)  
**Presiding Raymond Smith, Jr. Vice-Chair**  
**Michael Martinez read into the record**

**Motion:** Jonathan Perry  
**Second:** Otto Tso  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

**Kee Allen Begay, Jr. asked to recall Legislation 0100-15, Sponsor Honorable Jonathan Hale arrived**

**Motion:** Otto Tso  
**Second:** Raymond Smith, Jr.

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**Motion:** Otto Tso  
**Second:** Jonathan Perry  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

5. **Approval for LOC members to travel and attend a joint meeting with USDOJ, Navajo Nation Washington Office and Bureau of Indian Affairs to discuss alternative funding initiatives for Navajo Nation Public Safety Officers and operations. April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Phoenix, Arizona.**

**Motion:** Raymond Smith, Jr.  
**Second:** Jonathan Perry  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

6. **Selection Approval of two LOC members and the Legislative Advisor to attend and participate in the Intergovernmental Reentry Workshop on April 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Off Reservation travel cost as well.**

Law and Order members that are representing: Raymond Smith, Jr. and Otto Tso

Edmund Yazzie but all members are welcome to join but representatives are recommended to attend

**Motion:** Kee Allen Begay, Jr.  
**Second:** Jonathan Perry  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

7. **Law and Order Committee discussion on hiring procedures for the Navajo Nation Chief of Police.**

Have Law Enforcement to come out and do a presentation at the next meeting, invite Personal from Navajo Law Enforcement

**Motion:** Otto Tso  
**Second:** Kee Allen Begay, Jr.  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

**Kee Allen Begay, Jr. Motion to split number 8 into 2 different sections,**

9. **Recommending Removal of Permanent Justices or Judges from Office. Discussion on implementation of new Judicial Conduct**

**Second:** Otto Tso  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

8. **Discussion of dates for special meetings to amend the 2010 Hearing Rules of Law and Order Committee**

Work Session is scheduled on May 12, 2015; location will be at NDOT or Navajo Nation Council Chambers (TBH)

**Motion:** Otto Tso  
**Second:** Jonathan Perry  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

**9. Recommending Removal of Permanent Justices or Judges from Office. Discussion on implementation of new Judicial Conduct**

*Directive to have our Legislative Counsel (Caroline West) draft a Legislation processed by tomorrow April 14, 2015*

**Motion:** Otto Tso  
**Second:** Raymond Smith, Jr.  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

**Announcements:**

- Honorable Walter Phelps extended invitation to hold meetings at his chapter, considering and local area matters up in Shiprock, NM
- Navajo Nation Council Session Next week April 20, 2015 thru April 24, 2015

**10. Next Meeting is on the 27<sup>th</sup> will be on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 location to be announced**

**Motion:** Kee Allen Begay, Jr.  
**Second:** Otto Tso  
**Vote:** 4 - 0

**VIII. Closing of the Committee Meeting; Other Announcements; Adjournment.**

**Kee Allen Begay, Jr. motion to adjourn meeting at 2:16 p.m.**  
**Second:** Raymond Smith, Jr.  
**Vote:** 4 - 0