

## 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

## REGULAR MEETING

**Wednesday, February 21, 2024**  
**10:00 a.m.**

## APPROVED AGENDA

**PRESIDING:** Honorable Brenda Jesus, *Chairperson*  
Honorable Casey Allen Johnson, *Vice-Chairperson*

**LOCATION:** Navajo Division of Transportation  
#16 Old Coalmine Road – Room 308/309  
Mentmore, New Mexico 87319

**via Telecommunication**

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

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

☐ Brenda Jesus (C)                      ☐ Casey Allen Johnson (VC)                      ☐ Shawna Ann Claw  
☐ Rickie Nez                      ☐ Danny Simpson                      ☐ Otto Tso

## 2. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:

### 3. Reviewing and Approving the Agenda:

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Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )

4. **Reviewing and Approving Journal(s):** **None.**

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Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )

## 5. Receiving Reports:

- A. Report from the Tucson Electric Power (TEP) Company on 345kV Right-of-Way Renewal Progress Update (Executive Session). *Presenters: Cynthia Garcia, Chief Information Officer and Vice-President of Energy Delivery & Safety; Larry*

*Robinson, Director of Engineering; and Steven Eddy, Director of Public Affairs, Tucson Electric Power Company*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

- B. Report from the Navajo Housing Authority (NHA) on the \$10 Million Spent and Unspent for Utility Service Assistance in partnership with the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA). *Presenter: Heather Duncan-Etsitty, Chief Executive Officer, Navajo Housing Authority*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

- C. Report from the Division of Community Development, Department of Fiscal Recovery Fund Office, and Community Housing & Infrastructure Department on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Projects Update. *Presenters: Arbin Mitchell, Acting Division Director, Division of Community Development; Paulene Thomas, Department Manager, Department of Fiscal Recovery Fund; and Patrick Dalgai, Department Manager, Department Manager, Community Housing & Infrastructure Department, Division of Community Development*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

- D. Report from the Office of the Controller on the K-Accounts (FY 2024) as it relates to the Divisions the Resources and Development Committee Oversees (i.e. Transportation, Energy, Environmental Protection Agency, and Housing & Urban Development). *Presenter: Sean McCabe, C.P.A., Controller, and Robert Willie, Accounting Manager, Office of the Controller*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

## 6. Old Business:

- A. **Legislation #0246-23:** An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance, Resources and Development, and Naabik'iyáti' 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*

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Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )

NOTE: Referred back to the Resources and Development Committee and will be back on the next Navajo Nation Council Regular and/or Special Session. Page 39 or 44 of Legislation #0246-23 notes, "to receive financial documentation from Office of the Controller..."

7. **New Business:**

- A. **Legislation #0042-24:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committees; Approving a Project Change in Resolution CAP-35-18 for Greasewood Chapter by Deleting the Master Tract Plan, Project No. D-102, in Year 2; and Adding Greasewood Springs Building Renovation in Year 3. *Sponsor: Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie*

M: S: V:

Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )

- B. **Legislation #0043-24:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Approving a Lease for Apache County for the Apache County Ganado Road Yard, Parcel II. *Sponsor: Honorable Vince R. James*

M: S: V:

Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )

- C. Approving to Conduct a Site Tour with Navajo Nation Oil & Gas Company and Navajo Environmental Protection Agency on the Crude Oil Spill from the Running Horse Pipeline near Shiprock, New Mexico on Thursday, March 07, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )

8. **Close of Meeting; Announcements; Adjournment.** \_\_\_\_\_

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Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )

**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.



**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE  
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

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Visitor Sign-In Sheet

Place: NDOT – Mentmore, NM

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26.	PAM K	GLDD	
27.	SUNLATA JIM	OOS	
28.	TAYLOR PINTO		
29.	HEATHER SPRINGER		
30.	VISITOR		
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32.	GH		
33.	STEPHANIE BALDWIN		
34.	B		
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