

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

REGULAR MEETING

**Monday, June 10, 2024
10:00 a.m.**

**APPROVED AGENDA
(REVISED)**

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

LOCATION: Navajo Agricultural Products Industry
10086 New Mexico Highway 371
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

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:

<input type="checkbox"/> Brenda Jesus (C)	<input type="checkbox"/> Casey Allen Johnson (VC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shawna Ann Claw
<input type="checkbox"/> Rickie Nez	<input type="checkbox"/> Danny Simpson	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 Navajo Environmental Protection Agency and DISA Technologies, Inc. on the High-Pressure Slurry Ablation Treatability Study (Final Report) as it Relates to New Soil Treatment Technology. *Presenters: Stephen B. Etsitty,*

Executive Director, Navajo Environmental Protection Agency; and Greyson Buckingham, Chief Executive Officer, DISA Technologies, Inc.

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

- B. Report from Greenstein & Company on Investing in Native American Agriculture: Empowering 5000 New Farmers and Ranchers Over the Next Decade. *Presenter: Alex Greenstein, Chief Executive Officer, Greenstein & Company*

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

- C. Report from the Navajo Agriculture Product Industry (“NAPI”) on their Recommendations to Amend Navajo Nation Code and/or the Plan of Operation so the Management Board of Directors are given the Responsibility to Lobby on behalf of the NAPI through Government-to-Government. *Presenters: Dave Zeller, Chief Executive Officer, Navajo Agricultural Products Industry; Alvina L. Earnhart, Partner, Patterson Earnhart Real Bird & Wilson LLP; and Management Board of Directors*

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

- D. Update Report from the Navajo Agriculture Product Industry (“NAPI”) on Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser, a separate business from NAPI, and the underfunding by the United States Government for the Operations and Maintenance of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project. *Presenters: Dave Zeller, Chief Executive Officer, Navajo Agricultural Products Industry; Alvina L. Earnhart, Partner, Patterson Earnhart Real Bird & Wilson LLP; and Management Board of Directors*

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

6. **Old Business:** **None.**

7. **New Business:**

- A. **Legislation #0120-24:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services, Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’iyáti’ Committees, and to the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$2,279,569.71 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance (“UUFB”) for Chapter Summer 2024 Youth Employment Programs; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820(F), § 820(J), § 820(L), and § 820(O) to allow for this Appropriation. *Sponsor: Honorable Danny Simpson Co-Sponsor: Honorable George H. Tolth*

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

- B. **Legislation #0122-24:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Navajo Nation Housing Plan for The Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) Indian Housing Block Grant Funding. *Sponsor: Honorable Brenda Jesus*

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

- C. **Directive:** The Resources and Development Committee directs the Division of Natural Resources and Navajo Environmental Protection Agency to Coordinate with Navajo Nation Oil & Gas Company Running Horse Pipeline and Other Navajo Nation Divisions & Enterprises on Drafting Policies & Procedures relating to Damage Prevention (Call 811 Before You Dig) for Consideration by the Navajo Nation.

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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.*

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25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
SIGN IN SHEET SHEET/ROLL CALL
REGULAR MEETING**

Date: June 10, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Place: NAPI Headquarters - Farmington, NM

Meeting Started at: 10:09 AM Meeting Ended at 3:57 PM

<u>RDC MEMBERS</u>	<u>TIME IN</u>	<u>TIME OUT</u>	<u>SIGNATURES</u>
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Brenda Jesus (C)	<u>9:57AM</u>	<u>3:57PM</u>
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Casey Allen Johnson (VC)	<u>10:13AM</u>	<u>3:57PM</u>
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Shawna Ann Claw	<u>10:01AM</u>	<u>3:57PM</u>
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Rickie Nez	<u>9:57AM</u>	<u>3:57PM</u>
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Danny Simpson	<u>9:48AM</u>	<u>3:57PM</u>
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Otto Tso	<u>10:56AM</u>	<u>3:57PM</u>
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Rodney L. Tahe, Legislative Advisor

Rodney L. Tahe

Leonard F. Mose, Legislative Assistant

Leonard F. Mose

Mariana Kahn, Legislative Counsel

via TELECOMMUNICATION

April Quinn, Legislative Counsel

via TELECOMMUNICATION

OTHER DELEGATES:

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25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

Visitor Sign-In Sheet

Place: NAPI Headquarters – Farmington, NM

<u>VISITORS/GUESTS</u>	<u>TITLE/DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u>
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15. <u>Taylor Pinto</u>	<u>UDA-DSimpson</u>	<u>taylor.pinto@navajo-nm.gov</u>
16. <u>Sam Dees</u>	<u>Consultant</u>	<u>deesan57@gmail.com</u>
17. <u>Ernest Deswood</u>	<u>NAPI BO</u>	<u>ediswood@yahoo.com</u>
18. <u>—————</u>	<u>(END OF LIST)</u>	<u>—————</u>
19. <u>—————</u>		

	<u>VISTORS/GUESTS</u>	<u>TITLE/DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u>
20.	JULISSA JOHANSON	OLS	
21.	SONLATA JIM	DDS	
22.	TAYLOR PINTO	LDA	
23.	CHERYL CURLEY	BIA	
24.	LM		
25.	AZ		
26.	ANDANETTE	NDOT	
27.	VISMUER		
28.	KJ		
29.	DUSTIN JOHNSON		
30.	JAMIE VANDEVER	OLS	
31.	BEVERLY		
32.	GUARENA ADELY	SPDS, GALLUP ASC	
33.	ALVINA EARNHART		
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