

**APPROVED AGENDA OF THE
LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE OF THE
25TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

**February 12, 2024
10:00 A.M.**

Presiding: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton, Chairperson
Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie, Vice Chairperson

LOCATION: Law and Order Committee Conference Room, Window Rock, Arizona

☐ Honorable Steven R. Arviso	☐ Honorable Nathan Notah
☐ Honorable Herman M. Daniels	☐ Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie
☐ Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton	

1. Call Meeting to Order, Roll Call and Invocation

2. Recognize Guest and Visiting Officials

3. Review and Adopt the Agenda:

(M)	(S)	(V)
Yea:	Nay:	NV: Absent:

4. Review and Adopt the Journal(s):

- January 29, 2024

(M)	(S)	(V)
Yea:	Nay:	NV: Absent:

5. Receiving Reports:

- a. Report from Karen Francis, Acting Administrative Director, Administrative Office of the Courts, Judicial Branch of the Navajo Nation and JoAnn B. Jayne, Chief Justice of the Navajo Nation on the following issues:
 - Legislative Concern No. 3 – CS-78-23 (Memo dated December 29, 2023)
 - Law and Order Committee Directive (Memo dated October 13, 2023)
 - Addressing back logged cases and the number of cases on Supreme Court docket, how many are back logged and the plan in which these cases will be heard (Memo dated January 15, 2024)
 - CAP-24-21, An Act Relating to Budget and Finance Committee, Law and Order Committee and Naabik'iyati' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council;

Establishing the Navajo Nation Haskééjii Nahat'á Beéso Bá Hooghan by Amending Title Twelve of the Navajo Nation Code; Directing that the Award received through Navajo Nation v. Department of Interior, No. 14-cv-1909 (TSC), be Deposited in the Hashkééji Nahat'á Beéso Bá Hooghan after Reimbursement of Litigations Related to the Judicial Branch's P.L. 93-638 Contracts or Annual Funding Agreements Be Deposited in the Hashkééji Nahat'á Beéso Bá Hooghan; Establishing that the Fixed Cost Litigation Account Shall be Reimbursed for Litigation Costs. What is the balance in the account?

(M) (S) (V)
Yea: Nay: NV: Absent:

6. Old Business: None

7. New Business:

- a. Discussion: Approve Law and Order Committee Work Session on February 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., LOC Conference Room, Window Rock, Arizona

(M) (S) (V)
Yea: Nay: NV: Absent:

- b. Discussion: Approve Law and Order Committee to meet with Aneth Community in Aneth, UT, on February 26, 2024.

(M) (S) (V)
Yea: Nay: NV: Absent:

- c. Discussion: Approve Law and Order Committee meeting on March 4, 2024, in lieu of March 18, 2024 (Tribal Interior Budget Council meeting in Washington, DC).

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- d. Discussion: Approve Law and Order Committee work session meeting with Judicial Branch regarding caseloads on March 12, 2024 at 9:00a.m.

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Yea: Nay: NV: Absent:

- e. Discussion: Approve to have meeting with Key Bank in Seattle (Hybrid or In Person) on March 15, 2024.

(M) (S) (V)
Yea: Nay: NV: Absent:

8. Close of Meeting, Announcements and Adjournment

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Yea:

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Nay:

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Absent:

NV:

NEXT REGULAR/SPECIAL MEETINGS/WORK SESSION/LEADERSHIP MEETINGS:

February 12, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. – Law & Order Committee Conference Room

~~February 19, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. – Law & Order Committee Conference Room – Holiday~~

February 20, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. – Law & Order Committee Conference Room

February 23, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. – Leadership Meeting regarding Probate with BIA, Judicial, LOC,

Place: Navajo Department of Transportation, Tse Bonito, New Mexico

February 26, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. – Law & Order Committee Conference Room

THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE: The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees, Subcommittees and Task Forces are not final and adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committees, Subcommittees or Task Forces at meeting pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §§163 and 183, Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order.

LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE
25TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
SIGN IN SHEET/ROLL CALL

Regular Meeting

DATE: February 12, 2024

10:00 A.M.

Call Meeting to Order: 10:00am Adjourned: 1:52 pm

Presiding: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton, Chairperson
 Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie, Vice Chairperson

Location: Law and Order Conference Room, Window Rock, Arizona

MEMBERS

TIME IN

TIME OUT

SIGNATURES

ARVISO, Steven

Absent

DANIELS, Jr., Herman

Excused

CHARLES-NEWTON, Eugenia

9:50am

1:52pm

[Signature]

NOTAH, Nathan

10:00am

1:52 pm

[Signature]

YAZZIE, Cherilyn

9:50am

1:52pm

Cherilyn Yazzie

Laureen Spencer, Legislative Advisor

Laureen Spencer

Shural Notah, Legislative Assistant

Shural Notah

Loya Honoghanii Henderson, Legislative Counsel

Via teleconference

Marcarlo Roanhorse, Staff Assistant

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OTHER NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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VISITORS/ GUESTS

TITLE/DEPARTMENT

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1. Paul Spawitan DOJ/PAAG
2. Tamara Safigha DOJ/Attorney
3. Louis Mallette Attorney/DOJ
4. Karen Frances Judicial
5. Kevin C Barnett OTP-MCU
6. Melanie A. Price NNJB-IT
7. Cheryl USA JSsum
8. GABRIEL A. FREELAND LDA-C. Curley
9. Darryl Noon Chief XPD
10. Victor J. Clyde Judge/NNJB
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13. Manuel RICO, OOS
14. Loya H. Henderson, OLC
15. Tatyana
16. Vikki Shirley, OPVP
17. Heather Kintacheeny, LDA
18. Mihio manus, OOS

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