



District 14 Grazing Committee Monthly Meeting

Larry Tsosie, Chair

Gerald Moore, Vicechair

Isalah Tsosie, Secretary

Angela Sanford, Member

Vincent Muskett, Member



AGENDA

Location: Naschitti Chapter

Date: March 2nd, 2022

Time: 9:00 A.M.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** _____

2. **INVOCATION:** _____

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Larry Tsosie, Bahastl'ah Grazing Official () Present () Not Present

Gerald Moore, Tohatchi Grazing Official () Present () Not Present

Isalah Tsosie, Coyote Canyon Grazing Official () Present () Not Present

Angela Sanford, Naschitti Grazing Official () Present () Not Present

Vincent Muskett, Mexican Springs Grazing Official () Present () Not Present

4. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

-Ashley Curley, B.I.A. Range Technician

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** (Motion: _____) (2nd: _____)

6. **APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES:** February 2nd, 2022 Tohatchi District 14 Grazing Mtg.
(Motion: _____) (2nd: _____)

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS:** (10-minute limit)

-Grazing Official Update/Report

-Horse Hoof Trimming Training at Twin Lakes Chapter March 2022

(Motion: _____) (2nd: _____)

8. **NEW BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** (Please Use Service Form)

A. Request for Probate

D. Grazing & Land Use Permit

G. Land Disputes

B. Request for Transfer

E. Grazing Permit

C. Request for Fencing

F. Fencing Disputes

9. **NEXT DISTRICT 14 GRAZING MEETING:** April 6th, 2022 9:00 AM Coyote Canyon Chapter

10. **ADJOURNMENT:** March 2nd, 2022 at _____ (Motion: _____) (2nd: _____)



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MINUTES

District 14 Grazing Meeting

March 2nd, 2022

9:00 A.M.

- I. Meeting Called to Order: 9: A.M. by Larry Tsosie
- II. Invocation: Isaiah Tsosie, Coyote Canyon Grazing Official
- III. Roll Call:
Twin lakes Grazing Official: Larry Tsosie (Present)
Coyote Canyon Grazing Official: Isaiah Tsosie (Present)
Mexican Springs Grazing Official: Vincent Muskett (Present)
Tohatchi Grazing Official: Gerald Moore (Present)
Naschitti Grazing Official: Angela Sanford (Present)
- IV. Approval of Agenda:
(Motion: Angela Sanford)
(2nd: Gerald Moore)
(Vote: 5-0-0)
- V. Approval of last Meeting Minutes: January & February 2022
Minutes from 01/2022 & 02/2022 were read to the committee
(Motion: Vincent Muskett)
(2nd: Gerald Moore)
(Vote: 5-0-0)
- VI. Introduction of Guest:
 - Ashley Curley, B.I.A. Range Technician
- VII. Announcements & Reports:
 - 1) Angela Sanford, announced her AIF update on assisting her community, and how the community voted to wait on purchasing hay until the second cut. She also encouraged her community to request and complete their tally counts as soon as possible to receive funding.



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- 2) Gerald Moore, provided brief introduction of himself and an update regarding AIF assistance for his community. He also provided the deadline for his applications and the process afterwards to give out assistance for these applicants who have livestock or are permit holders. He also recommended individuals to
- 3) Isaiah Tsosie, provided a full update regarding the AIF process and the application distribution opening up on March 1st, 2022 and the deadline to follow is March 31st, 2022. Provided the insights of what will follow to carry out the assistance from his chapter and what documents are needed to complete an application. Isaiah also instructed his community members to be patient as the chapter administration is assisting him on this project. Isaiah also encouraged his community and all members to be honest when filling out the application.
- 4) Vincent Muskett, AIF update on items being purchased and how they will be distributed to community members. Stated how tally counts are being conducted, and explained why it's being conducted. Vincent also mentioned he assisted community members with the recent livestock Incentive from NNDA, He provided how the process of the AIF will continue through the months.
- 5) Larry Tsosie, announced Francisco's Traditional Trail Ride to be taking place on April 3rd, 2022. Larry also provided an update regarding AIF assistance from his chapter. Larry spoke about how good the committee is doing with their projects & tasks, he also announced his candidacy for Council Delegate for District 14. Larry covered the process of homesite lease and why its recommended to fence in your 1 acre after you receive your certificate. Larry also announced the horse hoof trimming training taking place in March 2022 at Twinlakes Chapter.

VIII. Old Business & New Business:

1. Sharon Lawless of Naschitti Chapter requested a letter of recommendation to probate her father's (Rodger Lawless Sr.) grazing permit No. 14-08-97.



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-BIA clarified that a permit history would need to be conducted to verify that this permit needs history research to verify where it comes from. Committee BIA will run the permit history and will notify the committee if the permit is either from unit 14-1 or 14-2, COMMITTEE provided the letter of recommendation to continue the process of this permit. Angela Sanford will review the permit history to assist Sharon Lawless on her probating this permit.

(Motion: Angela Sanford)

(2nd: Gerald Moore)

(Vote: 5-0-0)

2. Dennis Becenti of Tohatchi Chapter asked for a transfer and letter of recommendation to probate/quiet title his permit, permit No. 14-02-87. He would like a letter of recommendation regarding his permit, he provided death certificates & original permit.

(Motion: Gerald Moore)

(2nd: Vincent Muskett)

(Vote: 5-0-0)

3. Orlin Skyberg of Naschitti Chapter requested a recertified copy of her permit from Ashely Curley, BIA Range Technician.

-Ashley Curley will mail out a recertified copy to Orlin.

(Motion: Isaiah Tsosie)

(2nd: Vincent Muskett)

(Vote: 5-0-0)

4. Ruth Destea of Naschitti Chapter brought forth her complaint regarding feral horses damaging property & panels at her homestead. She filed her complaint form regarding this ongoing issue. AND to do her follow-up on her second complaint.

-COMMITTEE responded with accepting the complaint and recommended that the individual/Ruth Destea to entrap the horses herself, and would need them to notify the elected grazing official to contact the Navajo Nation Rangers to remove the horses. On her second compliant/follow up Ruth was informed a mediation meeting would need to be scheduled to address her



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second complaint, and to address her recent tally count for overgrazing & owning so many animals.

(Motion: Angela Sanford)

(2nd: Gerald Moore)

(Vote: 5-0-0)

5. Alice M. Morris of Naschitti Chapter came forward with a grazing permit transfer request to be given to her daughter Marjorie A. Natonabah.
- COMMITTEE & BIA responded with not allowing the transfer due to BIA not being in attendance, and there are other names on the permit and those individuals would need to be present to agree on transferring the permit. This case was then DIFFERED to the next District 14 Grazing in April of 2022.

(Motion: Gerald Moore)

(2nd: Isaiah Tsosie)

(Vote: 5-0-0)

6. Pearl Hanley of Coyote Canyon Chapter requested to be assisted with her getting land that was given to her in a will that her parents left to herself & her siblings. Pearl Hanley also mentioned that the area covered over 300 acres that her father left in a will, and she wanted to make it official by having the District 14 Committee give it to her directly with the help of BIA. Pearl Hanley and her siblings share a grazing permit of 30+ units (ET ALL), the permit she currently holds is shared with her sisters of Coyote Canyon NM. Mrs. Hanley also requested to have this area of 300+ acres to be fenced in and to be utilized as an RMU.
- COMMITTEE & BIA agreed that this project or RMU request can't go through because the siblings and other permit holders are NOT in agreement. Pearl Hanley's siblings that share the grazing permit are not in agreement to this project that Mrs. Hanley is requesting. An RMU cannot be established because the sibling of Mrs. Hanley and neighboring permit holders are NOT an agreement. BIA & Isaiah Tsosie the current elected official of Coyote Canyon NM has conducted an investigation regarding this matter, and know that all siblings & neighboring permit holders are not in agreement. Moving forward the committee and BIA can't



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do anything to assist Mrs. Hanley due to everyone not being in agreement, and her siblings not liking the idea of the RMU.

(Motion: Gerald Moore)
(2nd: Angela Sanford)
(Vote:5-0-0)

7. Jerald Scott House of Naschitti Chapter requested a follow up regarding his grazing permit with BIA, he has also requested a certified copy.
-COMMITTEE explained he can request a certified copy from BIA & his permit is still in the process of being issued out.

(Motion: Angela Sanford)
(2nd: Vincent Muskett)
(Vote:5-0-0)

8. Janice Harrison of Coyote Canyon Chapter came forward with a complaint regarding a chapter project of a community cemetery.
-COMMITTEE replied with a point of order because this project falls in the hands of Coyote Canyon Chapter and its community. Janice was also warned that her permit is being shared by three other family members, and a warning of UNLAWFUL Use of a permit was given to her. The elected official of Coyote Canyon Chapter has a tally count from Janice and her family overgrazing with cattle and sheep.

(Motion: Angela Sanford)
(2nd: Vincent Muskett)
(Vote:5-0-0)

IX. Others: NONE

X. Next District 14 Grazing Meeting:

Wednesday April 6th, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. Coyote Canyon Chapter

XI. Adjournment: 12:25 P.M.
(Motion: Angela Sanford)
(2nd: Isaiah Tsosie)
(Vote: 5-0-0)



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ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ARE ATTACHED

Respectfully Prepared & Submitted By:

Isaiah Tsosie 03.03.22

Isaiah Tsosie, District 14 Secretary
Coyote Canyon Grazing Official