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Hopi High School Boys Basketball State Championship 25th Anniversary Celebration!



Top L-R: Coach Rick Baker, Coach Dirk Wirth, **Brandon Nahsonhoya**, Wayne Sekaquaptewa, Isaac Panana (deceased), Josh Haven, **Darron Abeita**, Jayson Haven, Ryan Harvey (deceased), Coach Glen Haven. **Middle L-R:** Geoffrey Antone (deceased), **Darryl Sahmea**, **Gary Honani**, **Michael Tenakhongva**, Kellen Lomayestewa, Lowell Talashoma Jr., John Coochuyumptewa
Bottom L-R: Bernadine Kachinghongva, **Macadio Namoki** & Wendi Lewis (managers) (** Bold: from First Mesa)

Can it really be 25 years?

The AIA is honoring members of our Hopi High School 1996-1997 Varsity Boys' Basketball 2A Conference State Championship Team on its 25th Anniversary of the title.

The celebration will take place during halftime of this year's 2A Boys' State Championship Game on Sat. Feb. 26th at 2:00 pm from Veteran's Memorial Coliseum in Phoenix.

Team members of the '96-97 championship team interested in attending the celebration, were informed to contact Shirley Tomosie before Fri. Feb. 11.

A celebration, after their recognition, is currently being planned by the team member families.

Each team member and their immediate family receives free admission into the state championship game on Feb. 26!

HOPI CALENDAR

Powamuyaw February

The Cleansing Moon
Cleansing for new Life

- Feb Powamuyaw
- Mar Ösömuayaw
- Apr Kwiayamuyaw
- May Hakitonmuyaw
- June Woko'uyis
- July Tala'Kyelmuya
- Aug Tala'Paamuyaw
- Sep Nasanmuyaw
- Oct Angakmuyaw
- Nov Tömökyelmuyaw
- Dec Kyaamuyaw
- Jan Tömö'Paamuyaw

THIS MONTH IN HOPI HISTORY

- AD 500: Pottery and weaving were developed.
- AD 900-1000: Plazas and kivas like those of present Hopi construction were made.
- Ancestors of Navajos arrived in the Southwest in the 15th Century.
- Hopi pottery found as far away as Verde Valley, Chinle Valley, Southern Arizona

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Continue to practice social distancing and keep safe!

Red Feather and NACOG Delivers Emergency Wood Supply for Walpi Villagers



Photo by: Summer Johnson

Walpi Villagers wait in line for their share of wood supply

By: Alan Chavez, CSA
Village of Walpi

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused many Hopi Communities to stay home and isolate. While many continue to stay at home, there has been a need to supplement villagers with warmth, as the coal supply from Peabody is non-existent.

Throughout this pandemic, many Villagers were impacted by the loss of jobs, sickness and loss of loved ones who were the aid for many of the elderly.

Through partnerships and organizations such as Red Feather and the Ancestral Lands-Hopi

program, the delivery of wood has been a great service to the Village of Walpi.

As we move out of this pandemic, the Village of Walpi will continue with procurement of wood for many of its families in need. Our wood project will

extend its hands to the Forestry Service and the Ancestral lands for training and availability to procure its wood in preparation for the future.

To date, we have helped 70 families with our wood distribution!

Wittsell Hired as CSA for Sichomovi Village

By: Louella Furcap
Village Crier Editor

Phyllis Wittsell accepted the position of Community Service Administrator (CSA) for the Village of Sichomovi and recently began her employment.

Wittsell has many years of experience as a village administrator. Her previous employment includes several years with the Village of Sipaulovi and several more years with the Village of Tewa; among other years of employment with the Hopi Tribal government.

Wittsell was happy to receive the call for help from Sichomovi and will commit her time to Village projects and administration issues.

Sichomovi has been without a CSA for several



Phyllis Wittsell, Community Service administrator for the Village of Sichomovi

years and Wittsell has her work cut out for her.

She can be reached at the Sichomovi Village Office at 928-737-0446.

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Sam Tenakhongva
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Albert T. Siquah, Sr.
Albert Silas

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928-737-2670

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FMCV
PO Box 260
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next to the door from
8am to 5pm
Monday-Friday

No Cash Payments
will be Accepted

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Administrator Report

By: Ivan L. Sidney, Sr., Community Service Administrator

The First Mesa Consolidated Villages Office is actively working to prepare all proposal documents to seek funding for the following:

- Improvements to the existing main lagoon and two lagoons to serve residents behind the mesa and at the Low Mountain Junction housing area, currently in use of septic tanks.
- Improvements to existing sewer lines in the community, particularly lines that have frequent clogging and replacement of stolen manhole covers.
- Purchase critical specialty vehicles, tractors, pumpers and supplies to operate and maintain our water and sewer system.
- Connections of our existing fire hydrants, replacements and testing for proper operations.
- Public restrooms, showers and washer and dryers at Ponsi Hall on the mesa for the three villages
- Improvements to the existing airstrip runway to serve mainly for medical emergency flight operation and services.
- Seek alternative funding for apartment housing to address the multiple family problems contributing to our issues with health care. Also, to provide housing for essential employees in the areas of health care, education, public safety and courts.
- Strip Mall with Grocery outlet, Service Station, Laundromat, Post Office, Fast Foods and Restaurant, Hardware and feed store, etc.
- Broadband to provide Wi-Fi in the community and seek funding for Fiber Optic Lines.
- Public Safety Facilities for medical and fire services.

As you can see, our plans are aggressive to better serve our needs which escalated during the Pandemic. Our village leaders have, for years, set aside land with infrastructure but we continue to face lack of funding and support from the Hopi Tribal Leadership. All current planned business developments are planned off the reservation. We justify the need, not only for the village members but, to support all tribal, federal, and businesses located in our community who suffer with us for the need. I have reported in the past that our traditional leaders, years ago, responded to the need for land to serve all our people.

Our water and sewer services provides the need for our community, including our service providers. The Dialysis Clinic, a private provider, located inside the Hopi Health Care Center uses a lot of water for its patient care. Now that we will soon have water from the new wells provided by the Hopi Utility Corporation, that will satisfy their need for water. This water will also satisfy the need for all other service developments, including business developments.

The HAMP Construction is now being prepared to construct the water pipelines from First Mesa into Keams Canyon. There is a current plan to connect into the Low Mountain Housing area, Police and Court Complex and the Hopi Jr./Sr. High School. The Bureau of Indian Affairs provided additional funding to pay for its water connection and will soon be served by this system. Both Hopi BIA Agency and First Mesa were faced with the compliance requirements for water with high levels of arsenic, which will soon be over.

The Hopi Tribe was provided a land assignment for the Polacca Airport about 30 years ago; although, the tribe went to other locations to seek a land assignment.

The primary justification for selection of the Polacca location was its close proximity to the Hopi Health Care Center.

A grant application was prepared and submitted by the Hopi Office of Community Planning to the Federal Aviation Administration, which resulted in the planning and design. There is now the need for immediate notification of the approval of funding for actual construction. In the meantime, the critical need for emergency services has escalated with other sources of funding. This opportunity will diminish, and the question now is how to move on for the needed construction, if the FAA grant continues to be delayed. The Hopi Tribe must now request a more definite response to the grant award. Our plans for other sources of funding are in question, but we must move to address for the present need and the anticipation that the grant may not be funded.

Another needed project is to provide for the improvement of our cellular services. Not only is the objective of improvements for cell phone service coverage, but also for internet services. Today, it is most critical for services in time of need and especially during emergencies. Our Health Care providers are in need of improved tele-medicine services. There is a dire need for reliable services when we are faced with no critical emergency care at our Hopi Health Care Center. Along with the need is immediate improvements to internet services for our schools and homes to enhance virtual education.

This improvement could be immediate if Hopi Telecommunication, Inc. owned by the Hopi Tribe, would provide connections to Cellular One, our only cellphone provider on the reservation and surrounding communities. The Fiber Optic Line was constructed 7 years ago with approved free rights-of-ways by villages and is therefore, presently available in all villages, but is currently solely used by HTI for its purpose. This was a result of a Federal Grant and partial loan acquired by HTI. Any connections require a service fee, so it is not free. Although this fiber optic issue has been reported to the Hopi Tribal Leadership and Tribal Council, there has been no efforts for resolution, so today our education critically suffers.

Rather than wait another seven years on HTI, we will seek funding to construct an Optic Fiber Line connection into Keams Canyon and First Mesa. We have asked the Navajo Nation to join their partnership with the State of Arizona. We met recently with Navajo President Johnathan Nez and his Broadband Consultant and were well received on our request. This connection could come from the Jeddito Community which is close to Keams Canyon. Our consultant is currently providing a proposal for this fiber optic into our villages.

We must not allow services to our people to suffer at the hands of a few people. There are companies and other tribes willing to assist us. But this is most productive and can readily be achieved if we all work together. We must continue to strive in partnerships with past experiences, but re-focus on strengths in unity.

I have been continually encouraged and directed by our Kikmongwi to establish better communications with our village offices. I proudly announce our improved communications, better working relations and respected understandings is currently taking place. We now ask for your understanding, support, and prayers.

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Hopi Tribal Council Report

By: A.T. Siquah, Sr, Council Representative

EDUCATION:

The following are new members to the Health and Education (H/E) Committee:

Anita Bahnimptewa, Sipaulovi
David Talayumptewa, Kykotsmovi, elected Chairman
Leroy Sumatzkuku, Upper Moencopi, elected Vice Chairman
Bruce Talawyma, Office of the Chairman (alternate)
Antoinette Laban, Office of the Vice Chairman

Ms. Connie Albert, BIE Education Program Administrator, Tribally Controlled Schools, informed the committee that the Designs for the Hopi School System Modules were received in the Albuquerque, N.M Offices. The next step is to have the Facility Team Members review the designs and determine the next steps.

The Hopi Board of Education will hold a Zoom work session on Friday, Feb. 18 & Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2022

- Swearing in ceremony: Ms. Carmen Honyouti
By Delfred Leslie, Judge, Hopi Tribal Court
- Board will Review and comment on Draft Bylaws
- Discuss Development of "Action Plan" Timeline for Completing Transition Activities and Tasks
- Discuss HBE Protocols for Mtg. w/local School Boards
- Discuss filling current vacancies on the Transition Team
 - o Human Resources (Primary & Alternate)
 - o Transportation (Alternate)
 - o Vocational Education (Alternate)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2022

- Transition Team: Reports on status of each team's work, needs, priorities work product and next steps.
 - o School Support Services
 - o Transportation/Facilities
 - o Finance Team
 - o Community Support
 - o Educational Services
 - o HBE Election Team (written report)
 - o Questions and Discussions?
 - o Discuss Goals for S.T.P. and using Feasibility Study to assist with S.T.P. work
 - o Discuss updating Transition "Action Plan" timeline
 - o Select date for a Finance/HR SPT work session to focus on Human Resources and Business Management Systems for the Hopi School System (participants: Finance Strategic Planning Team, TT Officers, HBE and Dr. Sakiestewa)
 - o Select dates for work sessions with other SPT's
 - o Zoom presentations of Hopi School Principals, Provide school's needs, priorities, and goals for transition and the Unified School Hopi School System (10 min. per Principal)
 - o Alban Naha (HJSHS-JH)
 - o Robert Tollefson (MDS)
 - o Others
- Overview of "School District" structure for the Unified Hopi School System (HBE Chm. Shingoitewa)
- Presentation of BIE Tribally Controlled Schools Grant Application and requirements (Angelina Okuda-Jacobs)
- Discuss drafting Position Description (PD) for Chief School Administrator:
 - o Review CSA duties in the Hopi Ed. Code, sec. 5.1-5.4
 - o Review and discuss sample PD's
 - o What date should PD be published and when will application period close?
 - o Who will draft the first draft of the CSA's PD, and when is first draft due?
 - o Introduction to draft Hopi School Website
 - o Provide comments and recommendations on website
 - o Can photos that are currently on Hopi School's websites be used for the Hopi School website?
 - o Should HBE maintain ownership of both domains to keep both from being used by other entity: Hopischoolsystem.com and hopischoolsystem.org? Each domain costs \$30.00 per year. When to take website live?
 - o Overview of next steps/To Do List
- Adjournment

Hopi Tribal Council Report

FY2022 Budget, Tribal Law & Order Committee, Low Mtn Road and Polacca Airport

By: Ivan Sidney, Representing First Mesa Consolidated Villages

During last week's Hopi Tribal Council meeting, the **Budget Oversight Team** was scheduled to present the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 budget for approval. Soon after the line-item presentation, Council Representatives began asking questions pertaining to revenues to support the budgeted amounts and whether the budget was presented to the general Hopi public. It was a voted decision of the Tribal Council to first allow the Tribal Treasurer to present the financial status of the Hopi Tribe which is scheduled for February 25. On March 1 and 2, the Tribal Council will hold a special workshop to deliberate on the budget proposal. Once the Workshop is complete, the Council will meet to consider approval which will be sometime during the March Tribal Council Session.

The purpose for this planned procedure is for the concern of the implications caused by the declining revenues. The Tribe, on recommendation of the Budget Oversight Team for the past three years, has already withdrawn funds from the Tribal investments. The amount short for the overall budget is approximately 15 million dollars. Although the recommended budget has reduced amounts and the current continuing resolution is at 10% less from FY2021, there are still concerns and no supporting documents to the Council Representatives' satisfaction.

Of concern is the proposal not including items such as: priorities of the tribal government, downsizing of employees, proposals for business developments to generate immediate revenue, 2021 expenditure report, etc. yet, it already includes elimination of village allocations. Also, absent is the revenues derived from all businesses owned by the tribe. It is reported that these businesses rarely provide reports on their financial status, which must be a requirement, especially, when it is the Hopi members who own the business establishments. These annual financial reports are mandatory and necessary for any budgeting process. The lack of financial information reflects the failures of the current tribal administration, who must immediately be held accountable.

More information is now available on the proposed Hopi Detention Center which was scheduled to be constructed in December of 2021 as reported by Bureau of Indian Affairs Officials. Two members of the **Tribal Law & Order Committee** participated on a telephonic detention development meeting several weeks ago. It was learned, from the Federal Official assigned to the project, that the Hopi Tribe was a participant in the planning process and that the required Hopi Tribal Council approvals were in place. The involvement of the tribe is an issue that has been asked among Tribal Council Representatives. On Wednesday, February 9, current members of the Law & Order Committee: Representatives Ivan Sidney, Mervyn Yoyetewa and Dale Siquah, former member of the Law & Order Committee, attended an on-site visit by the Federal Official assigned to the project. He reported that 40% of design of

the facility was complete and the total construction funding is now at thirty-four million. The current project includes paving entrance and excess road, four detention staff housing, a water storage tank, and the adult detention facility. The center will house 60 adult inmates although it is unknown how many units will be for male and female. The facility is also not designed to hold juveniles who are currently transported to the Ute Mountain Facility in Colorado. According to the current inmate daily population, the holding capacity is inadequate. The current detention services are provided by the BIA Corrections services and must be the reason for its sole planning and design.

The Law & Order Committee discussed this matter at its second meeting on Tuesday, February 15 and agree that a Hopi Detention Center is of critical need. Since thirty-four million is currently allocated by the Federal Government for construction, the committee must report to the council an immediate need to lobby for additional funding to increase the holding capacity and include a juvenile holding facility according to federal standards. The question now remains why the Court and Police Facilities were not included in the design. There appears to be no consideration for a cohesive operational and managed criminal justice facility to serve the needs of the Hopi People.

The committee agreed to formulate an Action Item with a resolution to obtain the approval of the Tribal Council to gather all information on the planning and design of the Hopi Detention Facility to support the continuation of the project designed for our present and future needs.

The Law & Order committee will visit and schedule meetings with the Tribal Court and Prosecutor's Office to allow presentations on their programs. There have been discussions of the committee to address issues that are hindering the orderly process for judicial services. The committee must take note to establish well defined relations with our criminal justice services to respect the rights of individuals and the unique separation of the justice system. The office of General Counsel has offered to provide legal assistance when requested.

Resolution H-077-2020, approved by the Hopi Tribal Council assigned the committee to perform annual evaluations of the Chief Prosecutor, Public Defender and our Law Enforcement Services. Also included is the responsibility to receive and review complaints regarding Law Enforcement Services and make recommendation to the Hopi Tribal Council. The committee, on recommendation by Committee Member Marilyn Fredricks, will develop a process for evaluations and reviews. These must all be reported to the Tribal Council for final approval of recommendations.

At its second meeting held February 15. The committee elected FMCV Representative Ivan Sidney as Chairman and Mervyn Yoyetewa, Mishongnovi Representative as Vice Chairman. Committee members are: Sipaulavi Representative Raymond Namoki, Kykotsmovi Representative

Danny Honanie, Bacabi Representative Marilyn Fredricks, upper Moenkopi Representative Danny Humetewa and Meranda Nutumya, Committee Secretary-Office of Tribal Secretary.

The **Upper Polacca Road, (Low Mt. Rd)**, BIA Route #60 all weather road is now in 60 years of planning since its approval of Rights-Way by the First Mesa Religious Leaders. The foremost continuous delay is funding to construct the road, although the design of the road was completed. The increase in student enrollment at the Hopi Jr./Sr High School demands the need for an all-weather road. Included are the students enrolled at Northland Pioneer College, emergency responses of the Police, Fire and EMS and use of the general public. Grass-roots efforts of local Navajo Chapters and FMCV Leaders resulted in the support by Navajo County Board of Supervisors, Navajo and Hopi Tribe and Arizona State Legislators. A year ago, funding was identified by the State of Arizona which required the lead support of the Hopi Tribal Council. However, in response, the Tribal Chairman told a State Representative verbally in a telephone call that BIA Rout #60 was not a Hopi Priority, and this resulted in the loss of the funding.

The supporters of the project quickly assembled to continue the project and were informed by the Hopi Office of Real Estate Services that the Rights-of-Way documents had to be updated. Also, it was recommended by the Hopi Department of Transportation that there need to be a Hopi Reservation wide survey on the BIA #60, Upper Polacca Valley project. There was information by certain individuals expressing this road project was a Navajo Road. Response: so what are the Leupp, Winslow, Tuba City Holbrook, and Window Rock Roads, all serving the Navajo and Hopi People.

The FMCV, thru its Leaders, will request that the Hopi Tribal Council designate this road project as one of the priorities of the Hopi Tribe. That funding secured will not interfere with the road funds for the Hopi Tribe and its villages; Or assign this project to FMCV or the Navajo Tribe or both. What is at foremost is the continued justification for the need of this road.

Another project having the same delays is the renovation of the **Polacca Airport**. This critical need continues as we face the threats of COVID-19. We already have services of a clinic and will always need the services of a full-time hospital. Some of us believe our hospital should not be based on numbers of use or population, but the remote location of our Hopi Villages. The Indian Health Service has already reneged on its promises for the Hopi Tribal Council's acceptance of the current Hopi HealthCare Center while we watch larger health facilities being construct on the surrounding Navajo Reservation.

Council Approves AI#021-2022 to place Village of Tewa's financial/accounting system under the Office of Financial Management

By: Deidra Honyumtewa
Board Chair Village of Tewa

Hopi Tribal Council Action Item # 021-2022, authored by Village of Tewa (VOT) Board of Directors (BOD) Chair, Deidra Honyumtewa and endorsed by Hopi Tribal Chairman Nuvangyaoma was brought before Hopi Tribal Council (HTC) for action on February 10, 2022. VOT BOD Chair, Deidra Honyumtewa, VOT BOD Vice Chair, Jayson Paymella, VOT BOD Treasurer, Valerie Nuvayestewa and VOT Member, Wilfred Gaseoma were present in support of the VOT Action Item and to answer questions presented by HTC during the roughly three and a half hour session. After much discussion, HTC Action Item # 021-2022 was passed by a vote of 13 in favor, 2 opposed and 1 abstaining.

The initial discussion of the need to propose the Action Item (AI) began in October 2021 at Village of Tewa Community meetings and continued with the presentation of a draft AI/Resolution to the Tewa Community in November, 2021. A unanimous vote at the Village level approving the AI/Resolution packet, resulted in submission to the Office of the Chairman in early December, 2021 and was filed with the Office of the Tribal Secretary

on January 7, 2022.

Action Recommended by: Village of Tewa, Board of Directors" Wording directly from Action Item:

Objective: To place the Village of Tewa's financial/accounting systems under the Oversight of the Hopi Tribe's Office of Financial Management until such time the VOT Board of Directors deems the Village of Tewa accounting systems and personnel are reliable and trustworthy.

Discussion: The Village of Tewa received Hopi Tribal Allocations in FY 2019, FY 2020, FY 2021 and CARES Act Funding in FY 2020 of which there are no audits and/or fiscal reports available due to the removal of records from the Village Administrative Offices and non-completion of financial audits by the former Village Board of Directors, Village CSA and Village Accountant.

The current Village of Tewa Board of Directors is working cooperatively with the Office of the Treasurer and the CARES Act Committee toward coming into compliance with the required financial reporting requirements.

The Village of Tewa lacks the access needed to their financial institu-

tions and any remaining funds in existing accounts.

The Village of Tewa requires oversight by the Office of Financial Management to ensure the current and future General Fund allocations are handled appropriately and the completion of all audits lacking are attained."

The overall goal of the VOT AI/Resolution is for Village financial/accounting systems to remain within the oversight of the Office of Financial Management pending the completion of Village audits for the years 2019 to 2021 and during the Village's work toward complying with all three components of Hopi Tribal Council Resolution # H-052-2021.

Furthermore, The Village Board of Directors will utilize the technical assistance and expertise of the Office of Financial Management to review and analyze where the weaknesses lie within the current Village Procurement Policy, Administration Office Guidelines and financial practices.

The Village also aims to put into practice the policy recommendations to improve upon the identified problem areas of financial accountability.

Village of Walpi

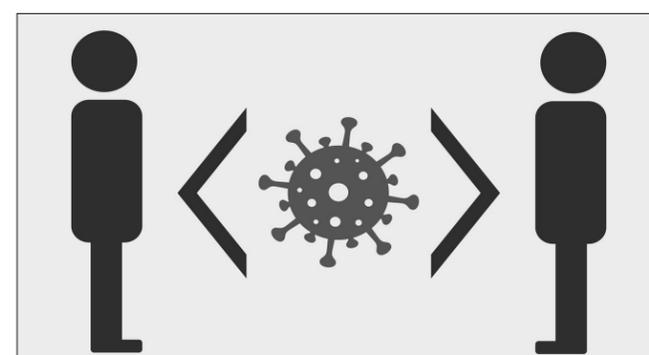


Public Meeting

Thursday, February 24, 2022
6 o'clock p.m.

At Polacca Community Building
(Across from VOW Admin Bldg)

Additional information is available
at The Walpi Office
at 928-737-9556



Hopi Tribal Council—Land Commission Report

By: Dale Siquah,
Representing First Mesa Consolidated Villages

On February 10, 2022, the Hopi Tribal Council (HTC) Land Commission (LC) traveled to Scottsdale, Az, where they met with CKP Insurance, LLC for an update to the Hopi Tribe's Pasture, Rangeland & Forage (PRF) Program.

Thursday February 10, 2022

6pm– 8pm Registration/Meeting Material Overview

Friday February 11, 2022: 9:30 am: CKP PRF Update

1. Discussion of Policy Performance 2020 and 2021
2. Agriculture Infrastructure Spending update
3. Hopi Legislation for 5-year Guarantee

A zoom link was provided for others to join.

ITEM 1. Policy Performance 2020

Hopi's PRF policy insured 1,129,494.9 acres from 13 grids in Arizona. Hopi's insurance premium paid in 2020, was \$1,793,753. Hopi received \$6,404,573 before premium was paid. Payment received for 2020: \$6,404,573 - \$1,793,753 = \$4,610,820 (actual).

As written in the contract, payments from the beginning of the year are applied to the premium until the premium is paid in full. Once paid, the Tribe received payment of \$4,610,820 in 2020.

Coverage and payments are in two-month intervals. Example: year 2020 the first five two-month intervals paid the premium

Jan - Feb payment received \$651,399 (\$1,793,753 - \$651,399 = \$1,142,354)

Feb - Mar payment received \$2,547 (\$1,142,354 - \$2,547 = \$1,139,807)

Mar - Apr payment received \$10,201 (\$1,139,807 - \$10,201 = \$1,129,606)

Apr - May payment received \$638,673 (\$1,129,606 - \$638,673 = \$490,933)

May - Jun payment received \$1,662,567 (\$490,933 - \$1,662,567 = \$1,171,634)

In 2020 the average return was 257% (\$4,610,820 / \$1,793,753 = 2.57 x 100 = 257%)

Policy Performance for 2021

Hopi's PRF policy insured 1,129,494.9 acres from 13 grids in Arizona. The insurance premium paid by Hopi in 2021 was \$1,790,241. The Tribe received \$4,850,103 before Hopi's premium was paid. Total payment received for 2021 was \$4,850,103 - \$1,790,241 = \$3,059,862

As written in the contract, payments from the beginning of the year are applied to the premium until the premium is paid in full. Once paid, the Tribe received payment of \$3,059,862 in 2021. In 2021 the average of return 171% (\$3,059,862 / \$1,790,241 = 1.709 x 100 = 171% rounded up)

From 2018 to 2021 the Tribe grossed \$24,364,815 and paid \$8,232,421 in premiums; thus, received payment of \$16,132,394. (\$24,364,815 - \$8,232,421 = \$16,132,394) (approximate amount in Agriculture Fund excluding interest / all calculations are estimates).

Item 2. Agriculture Infrastructure Spending update

Hopi Tribal Council Resolution H-105-2017 established The Agriculture Fund (AF). The AF is in the Tribal Investment Portfolio it pays premium payments for the USDA's Pasture

Rangeland and Forage (PRF) Insurance Program when necessary. Payments collected by the Tribe from the PRF Insurance Program are deposited into the AF.

In 2019 the Tribe did not make enough money to pay the premium and used the AF to pay \$350,321. (\$16,132,394 - \$350,321 = \$15,782,073. (Approximate in AF excluding interest/ all calculation are estimates).

Purchases made with AF in 2020:

1. 2020 John Deere 750L Crawler Dozer = \$289,673
2. Caterpillar 305E2 Hexmn CFG 3.1 Excavator = \$64,895
3. 2020 Freightliner Water Truck = \$105,725
4. 2020 John Deere 410L backhoe w/ attachment = \$119,088
5. 2021 John Deere Loader = \$255,286
6. 2021 International HV5007,4x4 10T Hunkie Rig = \$203,521
7. 2020 Ford F-750 Crane Truck = \$178,299
8. 532 Bales of Hay = \$7,970

Grand Total: \$1,224,457 (Heavy Equipment \$1,216,487 + Hay \$7,970)

\$15,782,073 - \$1,224,457 = \$14,557,616 (Approx. amount in AF excluding interest- all calculation are estimates).

Resolution H-012-2020 states the AF must maintain a reserve of \$2,946,558. PRF Premium \$14,557,616 - \$2,946,558 = \$11,611,058 (approx. amount in AF excluding interest used to calculate spending for 2022). The Resolution also sets a limit of up to 25% of the AF fund to be utilized yearly for projects covering range, forage, and crop improvements / construction.

\$11,611,058 x 0.25 = \$2,902,765 rounded (approximate amount of allowable spending for 2022 excluding interest /all calculations are estimates). HTC has extended the \$2,946,558 premium fund reserve for 2019– 2023.

H-105-2017: The AF is managed by a Project Review Committee (PRC). The PRC will ensure AF pays PRF Premiums as necessary. PRC will evaluate and approve AF to finance range & agriculture expenses and Natural Resources Development Projects to name a few.

The PRC has a huge task to create a process and procedures to spend AF. PRC will determine how and what the funds can be spent on. In my opinion, the purpose of the PRF Program Insurance will be the biggest factor determining the allowed expenditures.

The PRC had a recent meeting on January 28, 2022. As per Resolution H-012-2020 the Project Review Committee is made-up of 5 members:

- Pricilla Pavatea - DNR Director (1)
- Robinson Honani - Office of Range Management (1)
- Edison Tutsi' -Office of Hopi Lands (1)
- Rep Dale Siquah- Land Commissioner Member (1)
- (Alternate Land Commissioner Member to be determined)
- Monique Shamea - Grazing Hearing Board member (1)

Land Commissioners asked CKP their best and most effective example of AF expenditures/disbursements. CKP presented the Navajo Nation's Agriculture Infrastructure Fund established to use indemnity payments in excess of the amount necessary to guarantee the subsequent Crop Year's insurance premiums to fund and im-

plement agriculture infrastructure projects on the Navajo Nation.

The Livestock Management Incentive Program

<https://www.agriculture.navajonnsn.gov/Livestock-Management-Incentive>

Is designed to assist Navajo Ranchers during the ongoing drought long term drought, who are using the best management practices and to encourage ranchers to reduce and maintain their livestock herd numbers to permitted levels current range carrying capacity levels.

Best management practices include:

- Erosion control
- Brush/weed management
- Range restoration
- Soil/water conservation
- Reseeding
- Water collection and storage

In addition, the program can assist with supplemental feeds to provide needed nutritional feed ingredients for improved herd health and livestock reproductive cycles, which are absent in rangelands due to drought conditions.

The Farm and Garden Incentive program

<https://www.agriculture.navajonnsn.gov/Farm-Garden-Incentive>

Is designed to promote the recovery of idle and inactive farmlands, promote crop production, horticulture, and pollinator habitats. The goals of the program are to revitalize Navajo agriculture, increase food production, encourage agriculture reciprocity, encourage the implementation of new technology and best management practices, and implement drought mitigation methods. Funds may be used for:

- Improve & install water systems
- Soil amendments
- Fertilizer treatments
- Innovative practices: Aquaponics, hydroponics
- Purchase seeds
- Invasive weed management
- Rodent Control
- Maintain fencing
- Erosion control
- Soil & Water Conservation
- Marketing
- Training/Workshops

CKP demonstrated on a projection screen, in their conference room, how a member of the Navajo Nation can go to a website and fill out the necessary forms to apply and received payment from both programs.

The computer program for the Navajo Nation sites were produced by CKP software engineers and CKP offered Hopi access to the same software engineers to set up a similar site uniquely meeting the Tribe's needs at no cost to Hopi.

Item 3. Hopi Legislation for 5-year Guarantee

CKP proposed to HTC LC members to consider legislation for a five-year guarantee to continue the Pasture, Rangeland & Forage (PRF) Program Insurance with CKP.

CKP's reasoning was their experience with another tribe which changed leadership and dropped the insurance program. CKP felt new leadership did not fully understand the PRF Program Insurance and subsequently did not participate. The following year the tribe re-engaged with CKP and participated in the insurance program. CKP contended that the year the Tribe did not participate in the program would have been the tribe's largest indemnity. HTC LC members said they would

Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners Annual Meeting February 23, 2022, 5:30pm

Report By: A.T. Siquah, Sr, First Mesa Consolidated Villages

- Call to Order
- Invocation
- Roll Call
- Oath of Office: Board of Commissioners
- Approval of Agenda
- Announcements
- Approval of Minutes
- New Business
 - Election of New Officers FY 2022
 - HTHA-001-2022: Resolution Approving Indian Housing Block Grant 2021 Annual Performance Report
 - HTHA-002-2022: Resolution to Approve Fiscal Year 2021 Indian Housing Block Grant ,Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES), Annual Performance Report
 - HTHA-003-2022: Resolution to Approve Fiscal Year 2021 Indian Housing Block Grant, American Rescue Plan (ARP) Annual Performance Report.
 - HTHA-004-2022: Resolution to Approve the Amendment to the HTHA COVID-19 Health & Safety Plan for the continuation of the HTHA Employee 2022 Hazard Pay Compensation
- Executive Director's Report
- Chairperson's Report
- Old Business
- Executive Session
- Adjournment

Letter to Tewa Board of Directors Re: Water Billing

February 14, 2022

Tewa Board of Directors
P.O. Box 790
Polacca, Arizona 86042

Dear Deidra Honyumptewa, Chairperson:

This letter is to notify the Tewa Board of Directors that we have discussed the unpaid two-year water billing for your Administrative Offices. We have waited patiently for the payment although Ms. Melissa Akala was very abusive in her language and writing. This disrespect should never be tolerated for all our Village Leaders, especially by a non-village member. We took the position it was merely her reckless behavior which resulted in the unfortunate financial dilemma that now disrupts Tewa People's services.

However, working together, we must rebuild the productive and historical relationships by our past leaders and people. Today, we have a community that provides services for all Hopi People and including the Tribal Government. Let us reconcile with respect for our differences to know when to disagree, and especially, agree for the betterment of our future.

To allow your Board to restore your village services, we have withdrawn the water billing and will collaborate with you to establish a new account, with a zero balance. We are prepared to assist you and work with your Board on all mutual services to our people. Any questions you may have, you can contact Mr. Brannon Sidney our Village Accountant.

Sincerely,
/s/ Ivan Sidney
Village Administrator

Cc: First Mesa Kikmongwi
FMCV Traditional Leaders

consider it and will deliberate or not. The Water and Energy Committee's (WEC) next regularly scheduled meeting is Feb. 16. The next regularly scheduled Land Commission (LC) meeting is February 17, 2022.

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Tribal Council Representatives Report Card

FMCV Council Reps. are required to make monthly reports and updates to the First Mesa Community. However, due to gathering restrictions, Reports are published in the Village Crier. Below is a recap of reports submitted by your Representatives, beginning January 1, 2021 to Present.

2022 Reports Received	Ivan Sidney	Albert Siquah	Dale Siquah	Wallace Youvella Jr
January	√√	√	√	√
February	√√√	√√	√	√
March				
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2021 Reports Received	Ivan Sidney	Albert Siquah	Dale Siquah	Wallace Youvella Jr
January	√	√	√	√
February	√	√	0	√
March	√	0	√	√
April	√√	√	0	√
May	√	√	0	0
June	√	√	√	√
July	√	√	√	√
August	√/√	√	0	√
September	√/√	√	0	√
October	√/√	√	√	√
November	√	√	0	0
December	√	0	√	√

VILLAGE CRIER Due Dates

The Village Crier is published on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Below is the Submissions and Publication Schedule. All submissions: may be sent to Editor/Publisher: Lnahsonhoya@gmail.com

Issue No.	Submissions Due Date	Publication Date
4	2/16/2022	2/22/2022
5	3/2/2022	3/8/2022
6	3/16/2022	3/22/2022
7	4/6/2022	4/12/2022
8	4/20/2022	4/26/2022
9	5/4/2022	5/10/2022
10	5/18/2022	5/24/2022
11	6/8/2022	6/14/2022
12	6/22/2022	6/28/2022
13	7/6/2022	7/12/2022
14	7/20/2022	7/26/2022
15	8/3/2022	8/9/2022
16	8/17/2022	8/23/2022
17	9/7/2022	9/13/2022
18	9/21/2022	9/27/2022
19	10/5/2022	10/11/2022
20	10/19/2022	10/25/2022
21	11/2/2022	11/8/2022
22	11/16/2022	11/22/2022
23	12/7/2022	12/13/2022
24	12/21/2022	12/27/2022

Scholarships for Northern Arizona Students

In addition to the many scholarships available statewide at the Arizona Community Foundation, there are funds available specifically for students living in northern Arizona. Some scholarship applications are accessed through the ACF online portal and others are managed through counseling offices at local high schools.

For more information, or to apply for the scholarships below, visit the Arizona Community Foundation at azfoundation.org/scholarships. Through the application process, you will automatically be matched with the scholarships you are eligible for.

Mahler-Ring Scholarship for Williams High School Senior

- Science or engineering major
- Pursuing a bachelor's degree full-time at an accredited college or university
- 2.5+ GPA required

Mickey Witkoff Native American Art Scholarship

- Hopi Nation member
- Attending an art institute or majoring in art at an accredited college or university
- 3.0+ GPA required

Navajo Youth Achievement Scholarship

- Navajo Nation student living in the City of Page or Tuba City, Bodaway/Gap, Cameron, Chilchineto, Coalmine, Coppermine, Dennehotso, Inscription House, Kaibeto, Kayenta, LeChee, Navajo Mountain, Olijato, Shonto or Tonalea Chapters
- Commitment to benefiting Navajo youth through non-traditional education and/or personal development
- 3.0+ GPA required

Page/Lake Powell Regional Scholarship

- Student in the Page/Lake Powell School District, preference given for a Navajo Nation student
- Commitment to studying engineering, construction, or economic development
- Demonstrate financial need

Stephen Thayer Scholarship Fund

- A student from the Hopi Nation
- Seeking post-secondary education in the arts
- 3.0+ GPA required

For information on the scholarships below, contact your school counselor or the ACF of Flagstaff office: visit azfoundation.org/flagstaff, call 928.526.1956, or email flagstaff@azfoundation.org.

Biggerstaff Science Scholarship for Flagstaff and Coconino High Schools

- Two scholarships available, one for a Flagstaff High School student and one for a Coconino High School student
- Students must come from families of middle to lower income classifications
- Environmental science major

Mary Ann Stone Teaching Scholarship

- Education majors for students who attended Ganado, Chinle or Window Rock High Schools
- Demonstrate financial need
- 2.7+ GPA Required

Bearizona Scholarship for Williams and Ashfork HS

- Two scholarships available, one for each student from Williams and Ashfork High Schools
- 2.0+ GPA Required
- 50 hours of community service and 500 hours of paid employment in the last two years

Flagstaff Sheriff's Posse

- Two scholarships available, one for a Flagstaff High School student and one for a Coconino High School student for students demonstrating exceptional character
- Demonstrated ability to overcome adversity
- Good but not exceptional grades

Contact Us For more information on applying for scholarships with the Arizona Community Foundation visit azfoundation.org/scholarships. To get in touch with the ACF of Flagstaff office and staff, visit azfoundation.org/flagstaff, call 928.526.1956, or email flagstaff@azfoundation.org

IAC Bob Miller Memorial Scholarship Extended Deadline

Hello IAC Youth,

I want to share this announcement with you all that the Intertribal Agriculture Council- IAC Bob Miller Memorial Scholarship deadline has been extended to February 28th, 2022. I have outlined the application information and guidelines below. You can also find more information on our webpage: <https://www.indianag.org/youth>. Up to 24 recipients will receive a \$2,000 scholarship (receiving \$1,000 in the fall semester and \$1,000 in the spring semester)

Preference will be given to full-time, undergraduate students; part-time and/or graduate students will be considered after full-time, undergraduate students.

Preference in degree path is given to students pursuing a degree in Agriculture, Agriculture Business, Agriculture Education, Agriculture Engineering, Animal Science, Environmental Management, Horticulture, Natural Resource Management, Range Management, Soil Science, Veterinary Medicine, or other related fields of food or agricultural study.

A complete application includes the submission of our online application form that includes the following:

- Transcript/Academic Admission Documentation:
- Returning College Students: Students must provide an unofficial copy of their college transcripts; or,
- First Time College Students: Students must provide an admission letter *and* a copy of their high school transcripts
- Application Essay
- Two (2) Professional Reference Letters
- A Complete Cover Letter (following scholarship application standards)
- A Complete Resume (following scholarship application standards)

Application Link: <https://www.indianag.org/post/now-accepting-applications-for-the-bob-miller-memorial-scholarship>

Please share this announcement with any other Native youth within your community that might be interested. Let me know if you have any questions! (Apologies if you have received this email already)

Over \$2Million in Scholarships Now Available to Students

For Immediate Release
January 4, 2022

Pats Shriver, 928.526.1956
PShriver@azfoundation.org

FLAGSTAFF—The Arizona Community Foundation's online scholarship portal is now accepting applications for scholarship funding opportunities. These scholarships are available to students attending postsecondary schools during the 2022-23 academic year.

As Arizona's largest independent provider of scholarship funding, ACF offers access to more than 150 scholarships through a single online application. Applicants complete one general application that instantly matches them with scholarship opportunities for which they may be eligible.

Scholarships are available for high school seniors, current college students, graduate students, or adult re-entry students attending accredited two-year and four-year colleges and universities, as well as career and

technical schools anywhere in the United States. Each award has its own deadline, with some closing as early as March or as late as May. Students are encouraged to apply early to maximize their opportunities.

Scholarships can be awarded based on merit or financial need and may be restricted to students from a particular geographic region or with specific demographic characteristics. Visit azfoundation.org/scholarships to access over \$2 million in scholarship awards and learn more about scholarships available through ACF.

The Arizona Community Foundation of Flagstaff was founded in 1987 as a permanent philanthropic endowment for the benefit of communities in Flagstaff and Northern Arizona. This family of charitable funds is guided by a local Board of Advisors

and benefits from cost efficient, centralized professional services provided by ACF.

Established in 1978, the Arizona Community Foundation is a statewide family of charitable funds supported by thousands of Arizonans. With five regional offices serving communities across Arizona, ACF is among the top 25 community foundations in the nation with more than \$1.1 billion in trust and endowment assets and is certified under the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations. Since inception, ACF and its affiliates have awarded more than \$1.1 billion in grants, scholarships, and loans to nonprofit organizations, schools, and government agencies. More information is available at azfoundation.org

HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL

First Quarter Session Agenda

Month of February, 2022

- I. Call To Order
- II. Certification of Tribal Council Reps. Village of Sipaulovi
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Announcements
- VI. Correspondence
- VII. Calendar Planning
- VIII. Approval of Minutes
- IX. Approval of Agenda
- X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
1. Discussion/Possible Action: Letter dated July 30, 2021 Re: Request to rescind Executive Order #011-2021 and directs the Drought Task Team to reach out to Hopi ranchers and Navajo Accommodation Agreement signers to work on identifying alternatives for addressing drought issues on Hopi lands. Letter dated Aug. 16, 2021 Re: Executive Order #011-2021 Range Mitigation and Livestock Reduction. Albert T. Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages. **TABLED UNTIL MARCH 2022**
2. **Action Item #006-2022:** Approval to incorporate quarters #169 and #170 into the Moencopi Day School P.L. 100- 297 Tribally Controlled School Grant. Author David Talayumptewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi. **TABLED**
- XI. NEW BUSINESS
1. **Action Item #007-2022:** Procure 2022 Insurance Policies for the Hopi Tribe Author Edgar Shupla, Director, Office of Facilities and Risk Management Services
2. **Action Item #008-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
3. **Action Item #009-2022:** Disapproval of Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
4. **Action Item #010-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
5. **Action Item #011-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
6. **Action Item #012-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
7. **Action Item #013-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
8. **Action Item #014-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
9. **Action Item #015-2022:** Disapproval of Enrollment application for Hopi Tribal Membership of Ronnie Martin Kaye. Author Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
10. **Action Item #016-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
11. **Action Item #017-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Enrollment Office
12. **Action Item #018-2022:** Approve completed Enrollment applications for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
13. **Action Item #019-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office.

14. **Action Item #020-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
15. **Action Item #021-2022:** To place Village of Tewa's financial/accounting systems within the oversight of the Hopi Tribal Chairman until such time Village of Tewa Board of Directors deems the Village of Tewa accounting systems and personnel are reliable and trustworthy. Author Deidra Honyumptewa, Chairman, Board of Directors, Village of Tewa
16. **Action Item #022-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment application for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
17. **Action Item #023-2022:** Disapproval of Ineligible Enrollment applications for Hopi Membership. Author, Tanya L. Monroe, Director, Enrollment Office
18. **Action Item #024-2022:** To approve and authorize Red Plains Professional Inc. to provide Construction Management Services in connection with Project Agreement #A17AP00050, HIR 501(3) Bacavi Streets. Author, Michael Lomayaktewa, Director, Hopi Dep.of Transportation
19. **Action Item #025-2022:** To approve Print Service Agreement between the Hopi Tribe and the Arizona Daily Sun (sole source). Author, Romalita Laban, Managing Editor, Hopi Tutuveni
20. **Action Item #026-2022:** To approve and appoint the High School System Transition Team's nomination of candidate to the Interim Hopi Board of Education. Author, Dr. Darold Joseph, Chairperson, Hopi School System Transition Team. ****Time Certain, Feb.9, 2022, 11:00 am**
21. **Action Item #027-2022:** To approve and accept the Model Agreement and Annual Funding Agreement, Contract number A22AV00175 with the Bureau of Indian Affairs; to become self-sustaining as a Public Law 93-638 entity. Author Virgil Pinto, Chief, Hopi Law Enforcement Services
22. **Action Item #028-2022:** To approve the FY 2022 Budget and Expenditure Authorization and Appropriations Language. Author Wilfred Gaseoma, Chief of Staff, Office of the Vice Chairman. ****Time Certain. Feb.10-11, 2022-9:00 am**
23. **Action Item #029-2022:** To approve Hopi Representation regarding the Bears Ears National Monument. Author Craig Andrews, Hopi Tribe Vice Chairman
24. **Letter dated Dec. 20, 201 from Ivan Sidney, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages; re: Hopi Law Enforcement documents pertaining to contract renewal. Albert T. Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages**
25. **Discussion: 1996 Act State Land Acquisition.** Herman G. Honanie, Member, Land Commission. ****Time Certain, Feb. 8, 2022, 9:00 am**
26. **Presentation on Tuba City Dump closure matters and associated discussion by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).** ****Time Certain, Feb 9, 2022, 1:00 – 5:00 pm**
27. **Presentation/Update of Health Choice Arizona Medicaid health plan services and initiatives.** Holly Figueroa, Tribal Liaison, Health Choice - ****Time Certain. Feb. 24, 2022, 1:00 pm**
28. **Discussion on working with Arizona Democrats 15/30 Team:** Rachel Hood, Yavapai-Apache Nation, Deputy Political Director, Arizona Democratic Party. ****Time Certain, Feb 24, 2022, 3:00 pm**

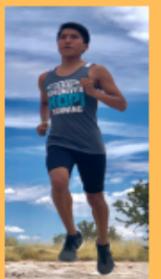
29. **Discussion with Hopi General Council and Lobbyist Josh Clause on the ARPA Funds** for the Hopi Tribe. Herman G. Honanie, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi ****Time Certain: February 7, 2022, 1:00 p.m.**
30. **Letter dated January 10, 2022 from Marla Dacawyma Re: Mr. Issac Torivio (Deceased).** Referred to Law and Order Committee for review and action and report back to Hopi Tribal Council. Mervin Yoyetewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi
31. **Letter dated January 17, 2022 from Dale Siquah Requesting that Health & Education Committee conduct an inquiry into changes to new construction plans** at the Hopi Health Care center. Referred to Health & Education Committee. Dale Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages
32. **Letter dated January 18, 2022 from Harry Nutumya Re: Dual Grazing.** Referred to Law and Order Committee and Land Commission for review and action and report back to Hopi Tribal Council. Mervin Yoyetewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi
33. **Letter dated January 24, 2022 from Ivan Sidney, Village Administrator, First Mesa Consolidated Villages, Re: Village of Tewa,** to be a part of discussion of Action Item #021-2022 – Phillip Quochoytewa, Sr., Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi
34. **Letter dated January 21, 2022 from Dwayne Secakuku, Re: Letter of Interest for the Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.** Interview ****Time Certain, February 23, 2022, 4:00 p.m.**
35. **Letter dated January 28, 2022 from Gene Kuwanqaftewa, Chairman, Hopi Tribe Economic Board of Directors (HTEDC), Re: Appointment of Ms. Nicole Johnson as**

- HTEDC Board Member,** for ratification and further research by the Office of Tribal Secretary on HTEDC Policies. Anita Bahnimptewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Sipaulovi
36. **Ratification of Sipaulovi Tribal Council Representatives to the Committees.** Anita Bahnimptewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Sipaulovi. ****Time Certain, February 7, 2022 – 12:50 p.m.**
- #### XII. REPORTS
1. Office of the Chairman
 2. Office of the Vice Chairman
 3. Office of Tribal Secretary
 4. Office of the Treasurer
 5. Office of the Executive Director:
 - a) **Report:** Letter dated Dec 22, 2021 from Phillip Quochoytewa, Sr., re: Follow-up to Hopi Tribal Council Resolution H-071-2021 to correct the Relocation of Employees of the Department of Natural Resources to the Turquoise Well/Tawa'ovi site. Dale Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages
 - b) **Report:** Memorandum dated Dec. 16, 2021 from Brant Honahnie re: Employment Resignation. Clifford Qotsaquahu, Tribal Council Rep, Village of Bacavi
 - c) **Report:** Hazardous Pay for employees, frontline workers. Clifford Qotsaquahu, Village of Bacavi
 - d) **Investigation** re: Turquoise Well/Tawa'ovi Site. David Talayumptewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi
 6. Office of the General Counsel
 7. Land Commission
 8. Water/Energy Committee
 9. Transportation Committee
 10. Law & Order Committee
 11. Investment Committee: Report on Letter dated Oct. 5, 2021 Re: Walpi Housing Management. Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma, Chairman, the Hopi Tribe
 12. Health/Education Committee

Hopi Behavioral Health Services

I'm for Life Program presents:

"Resilient Runner"



Kyle Sumatzkuku is an endurance runner. Between years of collegiate running, working as a student, and serving the community throughout the pandemic, Kyle is working on nurturing his skills required for the 2024 Olympic qualification round.

VIRTUAL ZOOM Presentation!

February 22, 2022 @ 5:30 PM

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tjEqcO-rrzosHtA2Ms8q1cbOpxPwo2PhaAXT>

For more information please contact Chardy@hopi.nsn.us or (928) 675-8056



Scan using your phone
for 2/22/22



OOOC Begins Printing First Batch of ARPA Hardship Assistance Checks for Navajo elders

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 15, 2022

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — On Tuesday, the Navajo Nation Office of the Controller began printing the first batch of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Hardship Assistance checks in the amount of \$2,000 for Navajo elders, who are 60 years and older and who previously received CARES Act Hardship Assistance. The office will continue processing checks as quickly as possible and will work weekends, once again, to expedite the relief checks.

In January, Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez and Vice President Myron Lizer signed Resolution CD-62-21 into law, approving \$557 million for the ARPA Hardship Assistance to provide direct financial relief for the Navajo people to help mitigate the effects of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The funding will provide \$2,000 for adults, who are 18 years and older on or before January 4, 2022 and \$600 for minors who are enrolled members of the Navajo Nation.

“As Navajo people, we are taught to love and care for our elders and to prioritize their needs. Based on those teachings, the Office of the Controller is prioritizing the ARPA Hardship Assistance for those who are 60 years and older. We are meeting with the Office of the Controller nearly every day, to work through many challenges and to expedite the processing of the ARPA Hardship Assistance checks. Please remain patient and please be respectful to the staff members who are working hard to help our people,” said President Nez.

The immediate goal is to have the ARPA Hardship Assistance checks in the mail by the end of February for previous CARES Act Hardship recipients, with the exception of new applicants and individuals that have outstanding issues such as changes to their mailing address. OOC has also hired temporary staff members to help with the processing of the ARPA Hardship Assistance.

The Office of the Controller will continue accepting new applications for the ARPA Hardship Assistance Program for enrolled members of the Navajo Nation, who did not previously receive Hardship Assistance. New applicants must complete/sign the ARPA Hardship Program application and submit no later than December 30, 2022. Applications available at: <https://www.nnooc.org>.

The Navajo Nation Office of the Controller and Office of Vital Records & Identification will host ARPA Hardship and CIB Technical Assistance Drives in nearby cities, to provide help with completing and submitting applications for ARPA Hardship Assistance and to apply for a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB). If an individual previously received the Hardship Assistance, they do not have to re-apply to receive the ARPA Hardship Assistance. COVID-19 protocols will be in place and all attendees are required to wear a face mask at all times.

The ARPA Hardship and CIB Technical Assistance Drives are scheduled at the following locations:

•February 17 – 18, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Steele Indian School Park – Memorial Hall (300 E. Indian School Rd., Phoenix, Arizona 85012)

•March 3 – 4, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Tucson Indian Center (160 N Stone Ave., Tucson, Arizona 85701)

•April 7 – 8, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute (9169 Coors Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120)

•April 14 – 15, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Urban Indian Center of Salt Lake (120 W 1300 S St., Salt Lake City, Utah 84115)

•April 28 – 29, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Denver Indian Center Inc. (4407 Morrison Rd., Denver, Colorado 80219)

“For those who plan to attend the technical assistance events, please adhere to COVID-19 protocols and please be respectful to staff members and everyone in attendance. Please anticipate a waiting time and please come prepared with documents in hand. We appreciate your support and understanding as we proceed with assisting our people,” said Vice President Lizer.

Personnel will provide guidance on any ARPA Hardship and CIB inquiries, including change of address forms, printing and copying services, and individual concerns related to the application process and tribal enrollment. The technical assistance drives will not include any type of check distributions. In addition, applicants seeking to enroll with the Navajo Nation, obtain a copy of their CIB, or update their tribal enrollment information will be required to provide current and original records of Birth/Death Certificates, Marriage Licenses, Divorce Decrees, or other court-ordered documents. The Navajo Office of Vital Records will not be able to provide same-day CIB’s due to additional necessary verification to be conducted by agency offices.

The technical assistance drives will adhere to COVID-19 safety protocols, such as wearing a mask, temperature screening, and social distancing. All attendees are highly encouraged to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. If you have further questions, please contact the Office of the Controller by e-mail at ARPAHardship@nnooc.org or call (928) 871-6106, (928) 871-6315, (928) 223-3525, (928) 224-8148, (928) 224-8187, (928) 224-8212, (928) 371-9226, (928) 223-3709, or (928) 223-3712. Please contact the Navajo Office of Vital Records & ID at (928) 871-6386 or visit their website at <https://www.novri.navajo-nsn.gov> for more information regarding tribal enrollment.

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Department of the Interior to Solicit Nominations for First-Ever Secretary’s Tribal Advisory Committee

Date: Monday, February 14, 2022

Contact: Interior_Press@ios.doi.gov

WASHINGTON — In remarks at the National Congress of American Indians 2022 Executive Council Winter Session today, Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland announced that the **Department is requesting nominations for Tribal member representatives for the new Secretary’s Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC).**

The STAC, which was announced as part of the 2021 White House Tribal Nations Summit, will ensure Tribal leaders have direct and consistent contact and communication with the current and future Department officials to facilitate robust discussions on intergovernmental responsibilities, exchange views, share information and provide advice and recommendations regarding Departmental programs and funding that impact Tribal nations.

“Tribes deserve a seat at the decision-making table before policies are made that impact their communities. The creation of this new Advisory Committee is a timely and much-needed development that will ensure Tribal leaders can engage at the highest levels of the Department on the issues that matter most to their people,” said Secretary Haaland. “I encourage Tribal leaders to submit their nominations to ensure we have the best representation possible as we begin this new chapter of Tribal engagement at the Department.”

The STAC will be composed of a Tribal member representative from each of the 12 Bureau of Indian Affairs Regions, and one alternate member. The members will be appointed on a staggered term for up to two years. The Secretary, in consultation with the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, will designate one member of the STAC to serve as chairperson.

Members should be an elected or designated Tribal official who is qualified to represent the views of the Tribes in the respective BIA Region for which they are being nominated. **Nominations will be considered for selection in the following priority order: Tribal President/Chairperson/Governor; Tribal Vice-President/Vice-Chairperson/Lt. Governor; Elected or Appointed Tribal Official; and Designated Tribal Official.** If there is more than one nomination in the priority list, individuals who had a letter of support from regional or national Tribal organization (s) will be taken into consideration when selecting the primary and alternate delegates.

The Department will only consider completed member and alternate nomination packages. A complete nomination package should include the following information about each nominee:

- BIA Region the nominee is being considered for.
- The nominee’s name, title, contact information, geographic location, Tribal affiliation.
- A resume that describes the nominees’ qualifications and technical experience.
- A personal statement of the reasons why the nominee wants to serve on STAC, including examples of work, technical and/or professional experience at the local, Tribal or urban community level, and/or regionally, nationally.
- A statement committing to the time to contribute to the bi-annual STAC meetings.
- Any additional comments, including culturally relevant skills and personal experience, that could help contribute to the Commission’s deliberations.
- An official letter from the Tribe.
- Other letters of recommendation(s), including letters from regional or national Tribal organization (s).

The names of each nominated STAC member and alternate must be submitted to the Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs via e-mail to oiea@ios.doi.gov in an official letter from the Tribe by Monday, May 9, 2022, at 11:59 p.m. ET.

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COVID-19 Checklist When employee with confirmed COVID-19 may return to work

The “checklist” below has been updated as of the most recent COVID-19 guidelines from the CDC and will be used by employers to determine when an employee with confirmed COVID-19 may return to work safely. For additional questions, please call the Hopi Health Care Center COVID-19 hotline (928) 737-6187.

- It’s been at least ten days since I first had symptoms or received my positive diagnosis if I’ve not had symptoms (please note date of first symptoms: _____)
- Overall my symptoms have improved and I am feeling better.
- It’s been at least 72 hours since I last had a fever without using fever-reducing medicine.

If you checked all three boxes, you are no longer a considered a risk to infect others and can go back to work!

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Walpi Emergency Wood Supply — from Page 1



Villagers line-up to receive their wood supply.

Photos by: Summer Johnson



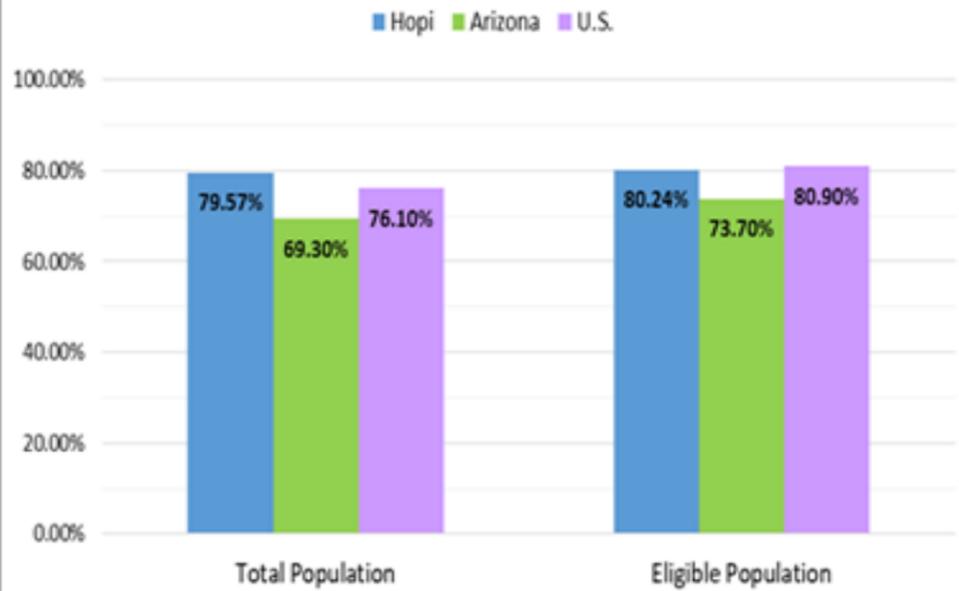
Wood Supply delivered for Walpi Villagers

COVID-19 Vaccines and Boosters Are Safe, Effective, and Free

As of February 16, 2022 a total of 5,420 Hopi Tribal members have been vaccinated with at least one dose against COVID-19.

More than 80.24% of the total population on the reservation have been vaccinated including those who are ineligible and those who live in Keams Canyon, Spider Mound, and Second Mesa.

COVID-19 Vaccination Comparison



First Mesa Baptist Church Ladies Valentine's Day Lunch Outing



Back L-R: Glecil Parcon, Louella Furcap, JiYoung Lee, Kendra Selzer, Judith Radcliff, Lucy Lomakema, and Romancita Adams. Front L-R: Charlene Montoya and Wilma Nahsonhoya after their lunch outing at Red Lobster.

Hopi Health Care Center COVID Hotline

Hopi Health Care Center– Community COVID-19 Testing & Vaccination Information COVID-19 vaccines are available in the afternoons for the month of February for those 5 years and older. To schedule an appointment call (928) 737-6148 or 737-6081. Appointments are required.

For questions about COVID-19 vaccines please call (928) 737-6198 or 737-6197.

COVID-19 Testing Drive-up Testing schedule: Monday– Friday from 8–9:30 AM AND 3–4 PM. Enter at the west entrance & drive around back. Mask must be worn by everyone in your vehicle. Please stay in your vehicle at all times.

To schedule for testing or for more information please call (928) 737-6233. A COVID-19 hotline has been created by the Hopi Health Care Center to assist with all COVID-19 related questions and service requests. The hotline is open 7 days a week from 8 AM–5 PM. To contact the COVID-19 hotline please call 928- 737-6187.

Village of Walpi



Public Meeting

**Thursday, February 24, 2022
6 o'clock p.m.**
**at Polacca Community Building
(Across VOW Admin Bldg.)**
**Additional information is
available at The Walpi Office
at 928-737-9556**

HOPi SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION CENTER



12-STEP SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

All meeting times are from 12 - 1pm MST.
Call-in number for all meetings is 1(301) 715-8592

Monday OPEN AA Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/93127265636>
Meeting ID: 931 2726 5636

Tuesday OPEN AA Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/93127265636>
Meeting ID: 931 2726 5636

Wednesday Narcotic Anonymous (NA) Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/4715052654>
Meeting ID: 471 505 2654

Thursday OPEN AA Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/93127265636>
Meeting ID: 931 2726 5636

Friday OPEN AA Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/93127265636>
Meeting ID: 931 2726 5636



**If you suspect an infection,
get tested as soon as possible.**

**It is also important to get your
booster shot, wear a mask, and
avoid large crowds!**

President's Day in the United States, Washington's Birthday, also known as Presidents' Day is a federal holiday held on the third Monday of February.

The day honors presidents of the United States, including George Washington, the USA's first president



EVERY HOME IN THE U.S. IS ELIGIBLE TO ORDER 4 FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS. ORDERS WILL USUALLY SHIP IN 7-12 DAYS. ORDER YOUR TESTS NOW SO YOU HAVE THEM WHEN YOU NEED THEM.

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