



KAYENTA CHAPTER

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KAYENTA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES December 17, 2025 @ 10:30am

- I. Meeting Call to Order:** 10:55am
- II. Invocation:** Wanda Parrish
- III. Roll Call:**
 Albert Bailey Stanley Clitso Dalton Singer Shandiin Parrish
 Jonathan Nez Ben Edwards Michael Parrish Genevieve Benally
- IV. Review and Adopt Agenda:** Meeting Minutes was read into the record.
Motion: Alberta Interpreter **Second:** Marion Todecheene
- Dalton Singer commented to make corrections to agenda, typo on announcements for Farm board, change time from PM to AM and also to remove Nellie James from reports, as her name is one there twice.
 - Geri Laughter- informed Chapter membership that during the Kayenta Township Indian Market and Christmas light parade, they will also be partnering up with Toys for Tots as well for Christmas event.
- In Favor:** 22 **Oppose:** 0 **Abstain:** 2
- V. Presentations:**
- A. No Presentations for the month of December 2025.
- B. Albert Commented on WNA meeting, the lack of representation from OPVP and Executive Branch. Also, the OPVP requesting for attendance for chapters at his upcoming NN State of the Nation Address in Shiprock, NM. The State of the Nation Address should be conducted at Council Session, because Council may have questions that need to be answered. This to me is very troubling and I wanted to address it to the community.
- VI. Review & Accept Previous Meeting Minutes:** Month of November 2025 read into the record.
Motion: Alberta Interpreter **Second:** Marion Todecheene
- No questions were asked about the meeting minutes.
- In Favor:** 30 **Oppose:** 0 **Abstain:** 2
- VII. New Business:**
- A. **Financial Report:** Month of November 2025 was read into the record.
Motion: Sharon Graymountain **Second:** Wanda Parrish
- No questions were asked about the Financial Report.
- In Favor:** 38 **Oppose:** 0 **Abstain:** 2
- B. **Resolutions:** *Sponsor or Co-Sponsors must be present at both meetings.

- 1. Resolution No. KY26-12-026**
SUPPORTING AND ACCEPTING THE GRANT FUNDING OF \$42,111.00 FROM THE ALLIANCE FOR GREEN HEAT.
Sponsor: Kayenta Chapter
Motion: Marion Todecheene **Second:** Robert Graymountain
 ▪ No questions were asked about the resolution.
Vote: In favor: 38 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 2
- 2. Resolution No. KY26-12-027**
APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FUND CODE AND FUND MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ALLIANCE FOR GREEN HEAT.
Sponsor: Kayenta Chapter
Motion: Alberta Interpreter **Second:** John Clitso
 • Perlina Sullivan-Austin requested more clarification in Navajo
 • VP Stanley Clitso spoke and explained a bit more on the resolution in Navajo.
Vote: In favor: 40 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 3
- 3. Resolution No. KY26-12-028**
APPROVING THE BUDGET TRANSFER IN FUND 15 (PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT PROJECT), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,909.08.
Sponsor: Kayenta Chapter
Motion: John Cody **Second:** Alberta Interpreter
 • No Questions were asked about the resolution.
Vote: In favor: 36 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1
- 4. Resolution No. KY26-12-029**
APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF SALLY CHEE, GERALDINE LAUGHTER, CRAIG BROWN, JEMENESHA ARTHUR AND VICTORIA MANYMULES-SELLS TO THE KAYENTA CHAPTER'S COMMUNITY LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE (CLUP-C).
Sponsor: Kayenta Chapter
Motion: Alberta Interpreter **Second:** Robert Graymountain
 • Introductions by Geraldine Laughter, Jemenesha Arthur and Craig Brown were conducted. Sally Chee informed us that she is sick and can not make it today. Victoria Manymules-Sells was not present to introduce herself.
 • Rose Yazzie requested what areas/regions they are representing.
 • Stanley Clitso informed chapter membership that the new members will be representing all regions.
 • Alberta Interpreter introduced herself, she urged the new members to speak and help our elders and those who are really in need within the Kayenta Chapter. We lost many elders, remember their leadership and teachings as you start your new appointments as CLUP-C members. Urge to do their very best to serve the elders, veterans and those who are in need. Most of our community members normally don't speak up at meetings, thank everyone that came and so urged them to continue to come out to our meetings.
 • James Parrish commented he was a part of the Kayenta Farm Board and knows that community input is needed, we need community involvement to better our community. We need to continue to come to all Chapter meetings and sub-

committee meetings. We need new infrastructure for our Kayenta Chapter local government.

- Herb Yazzie commented he has known the struggle to get CLUP-C members in the past 5 years. The burden is high; there is a lot of work that is tied with these positions. Communicating and working together for the people. My question is, is there an operating budget for CLUP-C, will they have funds to tackle on the heavy burden on how the Kayenta Chapter lands will be used for future generations. To visit the regions and listen and hear from the people who live out in the rural areas.
- Dalton Singer commented that they do have a Stipend for their monthly meetings, which is \$125.00.
- Clairice Begay commented their first meeting is January 15th, 2025, we have established a budget for the CLUP-C. We have a Senior Planning coming from Window Rock to conduct an orientation, then elected their chairs and revisit their Plan of Operation. Chapter has also budgeted to hire a consultant to help them get organized. Planning to get them up to speed, they need a lot of help to get organized.
- Herb Yazzie commented urge chapter officials and administration to be open to be giving them an operating budget. Giving them the tools to help them create a land use plan that works for the Kayenta Chapter Community.
- Albert Bailey both commented that they do have a lot of work before them, they will be working with the Chapter Admin and Officials in making sure that they have all the tools needed to do their job.
- Stanley Clitso commented his concern on annual funding, the loss of annual funding that we are not getting for local businesses. Working with CLUP-C and hopefully they can work with KTC as well to serve the people. CLUP-C and Kayenta Chapter needs to move forward.

Vote: In favor: 31 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 1

VIII. Reports: (Please limit Reports to 5 minutes and please provide a written report.)

A. Delegate Shaandiin Parrish, 25th Navajo Nation Council- Conducted report on updates on Kayenta Senior Center, Warehouse, NDOH \$3 million fund for Public Health at Kayenta IHS. Updates on the court hearing between Speaker Curley and President Nygren on the ongoing issue with Controller. Also, a quick report on the NN Audit and the 24 findings, 19 are regarding ARPA funds. Audit findings are the fault at the local level, what is need is self-governance, we need more freedom at the local level to manage funds where its needed. NN is mismanaging funds at the top level with no input at the local level.

1. Herb Yazzie commented on the ongoing issues regarding funding, that these issues have been ongoing for so long.

2. Shandiin responded that Kayenta is a LGA chapter, next step would become an AFOG, to grow and become better Chapter working for its registered members. I do support the Chapters getting more funds, so they can operate and complete their projects.

3. Marion Todecheene commented she's been a long-time community member; she commends the transparency at our chapter meetings. Continue to do the good work in working for the chapter community members. I pray all the negative issues at Window Rock with our leaders comes to an end to help the Navajo Nation. Our leaders to remember our elders, disabled and veterans within and outside our Chapter. May our CLUP-C members stay safe and work for our community in good faith.

4. Alberta Interpreter commented on her concern with the President's Address to the Nation, why is it happening in Shiprock and that it should happen in Window Rock. I urge you to somehow speak to him to conduct his state of the Nation Address in Window Rock.

5. Delegate Parrish thank for her comment, and she will do her best to communicate with the leaders in Window Rock in a respectful way what her Chapter is concern about.

- B.** Supervisor Fern Benally, Navajo County Supervisor District 1- Conducted her report. Continuing to work with Navajo Chapters as much as we can on road issues. Concerns on Hwy163 on the school zone and reducing the speed limit, been working with ADOT on how that can ben done. Don't forget to register to vote for the upcoming election year, registration is available at the Kayenta Township Office. Kayenta is also working with NPC, supporting them on their new building/campus with Kayenta Township/Chapter. Navajo County is also seeking a Navajo County Sheriff for the Navajo Nation region, seeking for someone who resides in the region to avoid traveling from southern Navajo County. Congratulations to Kayenta Chapter's new CLUP-C appointments and good luck to the new members.
- C.** Clairice Begay, Kayenta Chapter Manager- reported for the month of November to early December. I've been in this position for 8 months now, we've completed the 2017 Audit report, 2018 is now being done. Once the report is completed, it will be brought before the Chapter membership. Old senior center Asbestos abatement is completed; we are now seeking quotes for removal of the asbestos before the demolition can happen. Kayenta Senior Center does have \$6 million; we are requesting a draw down to the chapter level. NDOH has been holding the funds for a year and no real progress. Chapter Warehouse also is funded through ARPA; we are beginning to clean out the warehouse and yard. We will be holding a sale of old items in the yard; it will be announced to the community. We also are getting a new Chapter work truck using the old CARES ACT funds. We are also reviewing the Chapter's FMS, updating and making sure all documentation is filed and scanned. Thank the Chapter membership for passing the resolution for accepting funds to purchase firewood for our elders. We are also working on the Diversion Dam, working with Dibbles on the feasibility study and costs to repair the Dam. Our Kayenta Chapter Educational assistance recipient's for coming in today and helping us with the Chapter Holiday dinner and drive thru event. Kayenta Chapter and IHS for the upcoming Ugly Sweater run/walk and our upcoming CPR classes.
- D.** Jonathan Nez, Kayenta District 8 Grazing Official- Not Present
- E.** Ben Edwards, Kayenta Farm Board- Not Present
- F.** Kayenta ASC- Lena Poyer- Not Present
- G.** Bobby Donald, Kayenta Veterans Organization- conducted his report, reported that yesterday they had a commander meeting in Tonalea Chapter. Request for funds that happened in October is closed and have been paid out. Kayenta only had one applicant, however the documentation was reported incorrect, so he wasn't paid out. Mr. Willie Nez, veterans housing director gave us housing numbers, however we did not receive any homes in our region. Our Plan of Operation is always being updated, so it is difficult when we are not part of the discussions when updates are being made. Concerns with the lack of communication with the Veterans director, we have very poor representation, and it is affecting our veterans in the Western Agency. Western Agency Veterans also met with TCHRCC on the Radiation Exposure, and we received the latest updates.
- H.** Nellie James, Kayenta Senior Center Supervisor- conducted report, stated she is the new Kayenta Chapter Senior Center Supervisor, this has been my 2nd month. I have been working with Clairice Begay on getting our new Senior Center built as soon as possible. I have been trying to work with the KUSD to see if we can use one of their buildings to cook and serve our elders. Currently we are serving 37 elders, but we normally serve over 100 elders but due to us having no building it is difficult to serve and have the elders eat locally. We have been doing what we can to get a building to serve our elders. Niaomi Sloan is our Western Agency Supervisor.

**KAYENTA CHAPTER
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025**

FUND ACCOUNT	BEGINNING BALANCE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUES	OTHER LIABILITIES	ENDING BALANCE
01 Chapter Activity	\$5,827.16	\$140.38	\$310.25		\$5,997.03
02 Personnel Funds	\$260,503.93	\$9,109.76	\$131,622.00		\$383,016.17
03 Land Claims	\$32,596.74	\$8,155.12	\$32,141.00		\$56,582.62
08 Summer Youth	\$4,243.68		\$25,435.00		\$29,678.68
09 Housing Discretionary	\$76,106.14				\$76,106.14
10 LGA Funds	\$191,440.58	\$6,218.15	\$67,000.00		\$252,222.43
12 Chapter Stipends	\$33.09	\$3,252.21	\$37,925.00		\$34,705.88
13 General Claims - Scholarship	\$28,944.00				\$28,944.00
14 Land Claims - Scholarship	\$3,455.21		\$5,544.00		\$8,999.21
15 PEP	\$192,693.40	\$4,887.81	\$95,963.00		\$283,768.59
16 Veteran's Fund	\$10,068.29	\$3,463.62	\$5,000.00		\$11,604.67
17 Emergency Fund	\$72,596.05				\$72,596.05
20 County	\$14,000.80	\$1,310.20			\$12,690.60
21 Lapse Fund	\$48,249.80	\$1,940.93	\$26,181.00		\$72,489.87
23 Capital Outlay	\$256,498.06	\$1,498.00	\$24,000.00		\$279,000.06
24 Supplemental General Funds	\$424.80	\$424.80			\$0.00
25 Navajo Nation Sales Tax	\$369,037.95				\$369,037.95
40 Healthy Dine Nation Act	\$242,266.38	\$428.87			\$241,837.51
51 Peabody	\$750,000.00				\$750,000.00
52 NTEC Grant	\$17.35				\$17.35
54 Freeport McMoran	\$3,920.00				\$3,920.00
Total	\$2,562,923.41	\$40,829.85	\$451,121.25	\$0.00	\$2,973,214.81

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