



# KAYENTA CHAPTER

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## KAYENTA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

January 21, 2026 @ 5:00pm

I. **Meeting Call to Order:** President Bailey called meeting to order at 5:19pm

II. **Invocation:** Dalton Singer conducted invocation.

III. **Roll Call:**

Albert Bailey       Stanley Clitso       Dalton Singer       Shandiin Parrish  
 Jonathan Nez       Ben Edwards       Michael Parrish       Genevieve Benally

IV. **Review and Adopt Agenda:** Agenda was read into the record.

**Motion:** Alberta Interpreter      **Second:** Craig Brown

- No questions were asked about the agenda.

**In Favor:** 18      **Oppose:** 0      **Abstain:** 1

V. **Presentations:**

A. No Presentations for the month of January 2026.

VI. **Review & Accept Previous Meeting Minutes:** December 2026 minutes read into the record.

**Motion:** Ben Blackhorse      **Second:** Alberta Interpreter

- No questions were asked about the December 2026 minutes.

**In Favor:** 22      **Oppose:** 0      **Abstain:** 2

VII. **New Business:**

A. **Financial Report:** December 2026 Financial report was read into the record.

**Motion:** Ben Blackhorse      **Second:** Alberta Interpreter

- No questions were asked about the financial report.

**In Favor:** 22      **Oppose:** 0      **Abstain:** 3

B. **Resolutions:** \*Sponsor or Co-Sponsors must be present at both meetings.

1. **Resolution No. KY26-01-030**

**ACCEPTING THE FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT FROM HARSHWAL AND COMPANY, LLP, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017.**

**Sponsor:** Kayenta Chapter

**Motion:** Craig Brown      **Second:** Bobby Donald

- Ben Blackhorse- asked if we can change the Audit report year from 2017 to 2026, so it is update.
- VP Stanley Clitso and Secretary/Treasurer Dalton Singer- both informed Ben Blackhorse that the Audit we are addressing is specifically for FY2017 and the year cannot be changed. Audits are supposed to be done every year and brought before the chapter membership and submitted to the NN. We have

- completed 2017 and 2018 which are being brought before the chapter membership today for review and approval. We are currently working on 2020, 2022 and 2024 audits in order, once those are completed, we will bring before the chapter membership for review and approval.

**Vote: In favor: 17 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 4**

**2. Resolution No. KY26-01-031**

**ACCEPTING THE FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT FROM HARSHWAL AND COMPANY, LLP, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018.**

**Sponsor:** Kayenta Chapter

**Motion:** Bobby Donald

**Second:** Craig Brown

- Hobert Dayzie- commented about the audit report, asked if Chapter was just asking us to approve the resolution to make it assume as if the audit is good before making it public and questioned if we should approve it.
- VP Stanley Clitso responded and informed Mr. Dayzie that the Chapter is not hiding any information regarding the audit, audit is expected to be completed every two years and brought before the chapter. We've read the audit and right no there is no indication that there is funds missing or misused.
- Secretary/Treasurer Dalton Singer also responded and informed Mr. Dayzie that Chapters are expected to complete audits and bring the reports before the chapter membership along with a Correction Action Plan (CAP), which indicates the steps the chapter plans to take in correcting those findings going forward. Kayenta Chapter audits are made public; we have no authority to make changes to try and hide findings or make the audit look good before bring before the public. We submit documents requested by auditors; they reviewed all records and finalize their reports. Once we receive those reports, it is our job to respond with corrective action plans. These are the only ways we can remain a LGA certified Chapter and like our Chapter Manager stated apply for Grants, Grants funds normally request for audits reports to determine if we a responsible entity to be awarded funds.

**Vote: In favor: 19 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 4**

**3. Resolution No. KY26-01-032**

**ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FREEPORT MCMORAN GRANT FUNDING OF \$5,000.00 TO THE KAYENTA CHAPTER TO BE USED FOR THE LOCAL ELDERLY COMMUNITY MEMBERS.**

**Sponsor:** Kayenta Chapter

**Motion:** Bobby Donald

**Second:** James Parrish

- No questions or comments from the community members.

**Vote: In favor: 19 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 2**

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

- Delegate Shaandiin Parrish, 25<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council- was not present
- Supervisor Fern Benally, Navajo County Supervisor District 1- Was not present
- Clairice Begay, Kayenta Chapter Manager- Conducted her report, report will be attached to the meeting minutes. She also informed chapter membership that Kayenta Chapter attended a RDC Title 26 public hearing in St Micheals as well.

- D. Jonathan Nez, Kayenta District 8 Grazing Official- informed Chapter membership that he attended a NN Soil conservation plan meeting in flagstaff. Also informed chapter membership that Fish and wildlife received funds for grazing feasibility report, and this coming Monday we are having a grazing permittee educational meeting here at the chapter at 10am.
- E. Ben Edwards, Kayenta Farm Board- we met last week with HIS, to do a partnership for farming initiatives within Kayenta chapter. We also attended the same meeting in Flagstaff on the soil conservation plan.
- F. Kayenta Chapter CLUPC- Craig conducted a report, where he stated that they held their first meeting last week on the January 15<sup>th</sup> and we elected our officers who are Geraldine Laughter as Chairwoman, Victoria Manymules as Vice-Chairwoman and Craig Brown as Secretary. We also reviewed the CLUPC plan of operation and adopted it.
- G. Kayenta ASC- Lena Poyer- was not present
- H. Bobby Donald, Kayenta Veterans Organization- conducted his report, he stated he attend the Western agency veterans meeting. He informed us 15 veterans at first were not going to receive funds, due to missing information on registration forms or not being registered, however, payments will be made, and a justification letter will be attached stating what is needed to be corrected. Veterans need to register with Western Agency office and with the Kayenta Chapter veterans' organization. Misinformation is the problem for members, not registering at both offices. These issues are the reason why some veterans are not receiving their funds. Mr. Donald also stated concerns of ICE activity in Phoenix region, I have information where you can update your information to avoid being held by ICE agents. Updating your AZ drivers license/ID and applying for your tribal ID is encouraged. Our next veterans meeting is February 12 at 6pm.
- I. Nellie James, Kayenta Senior Center Supervisor- was not present
- J. Jarvis Williams- Kayenta Township Manager- was not present
- K. Superintendent Lemuel Adson, K.U.S.D. #27- was not present
- L. Mariva Plummer, Kayenta IHS Chief Executive Office- was not present
- M. Letresia Todecheene, Navajo Head Start- was not present
- N. Nellie James, Kayenta Senior Center- was not present

**IX. Announcements: (Please provide flyers/information if available)**

- A. Grazing Official:
  - 1. Western Agency Grazing Meeting: January 15, 2026 @10am- LeChee Chapter
  - 2. Western Agency NPL Meeting: January 20, 2026 @10am, Low Mountain Chapter
  - 3. District 8 Grazing Permittee Meeting: January 26, 2026 @10am, Kayenta Chapter
- B. Farm Board:
  - 1. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting: January 08, 2026 @10am, Kayenta Chapter House
  - 2. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting: January 15, 2026 @10pm, Kayenta Chapter House
  - 3. Permittee Mtg: January 22, 2026 @10am at Kayenta Chapter.
- C. Veterans Organization: February 12, 2026 @ 1800 (6pm) at Kayenta Chapter House.
- D. Kayenta Township:
  - 1. Regular Meeting January 12, 2026 @ 5:30pm.
- E. K.U.S.D. Governing Board Meeting
  - 1. January 08, 2026 @5:30pm- KUSD Board Room
- F. St. Mary's Food Distribution
- G. January 20, 2026 @1pm- Kayenta Vendor Village
- H. Kayenta Community Land Use Committee (CLUPC) Meeting: January 15, 2026 @ 11:00am.
- I. Kayenta Chapter Closed: January 19, 2026- Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

