

# TSELANI/COTTONWOOD CHAPTER VETERANS ORGAIZATION

Commander Harrison B Kee Vice-Commander Ritchie Tsosie Secretary Shafawn Natalie Kee

## Regular Meeting Agenda

April 2, 2026

1. Call meeting to order \_\_\_\_\_ by, \_\_\_\_\_
2. Roll Call: : Harrison B. kee, Commander Present \_\_\_\_ absent \_\_\_\_  
: Ritchie Tsosie , Vice-Commander Present \_\_\_\_ absent \_\_\_\_  
: Shafawn Natalie Kee, Secretary Present \_\_\_\_ absent \_\_\_\_
3. Invocation by; \_\_\_\_\_ Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silences
4. Reading/Approval of the Agenda  
Motion by; \_\_\_\_\_ Second by; \_\_\_\_\_ Vote; \_\_ in favor, \_\_ opposed, \_\_ abstain.
5. Reading/Approval of last meeting minutes, March 5, 2026  
Motion by; \_\_\_\_\_ Second by; \_\_\_\_\_ Vote; \_\_ in favor, \_\_ opposed, \_\_ abstain
6. Announcement (s) Introduction of guest (s)
  - a. CNVO work session, April 6, 2026, 10 am at Chinle Agency Veterans Conference Room
  - b. April 8, 2026, Pinon Veteran's Hogan, VA Claim Vet Service for the Veterans, 10 am-2 pm
  - c. April 24, 2026, Chinle Agency Veterans Organization meeting at Pinon Veterans Hogan, 10 am
7. Report (s)
  - a. Crystalyne Curley----- Council Delegate/LDA
  - b. Paula Begay-----VSO Chinle Agency
  - c. Sylvia Preston----- Chinle Agency Housing Specialist
  - d. Harrison B. Kee-----TCCVO Commander
  - e. Ritchie Tsosie----- TCCVO Vice-Commander
8. Old Business (s)
  - a. Veterans Trust Fund Transfer of \$14,000.00
9. New Business (s)
  - a. Chapter Veteran's fund balance \$0, Catering, \$2,000.00 Gift/Awards \$3,665.60
  - b. TCCVO Veterans Trust Fund balance, Hardship-\$12,400. Energy-\$12,400. Med. \$317.00, meeting stipend-\$1,575.00. balance \$26,692.00
  - c. Approving the Veterans Trust Fund Assistances
  - d.
  - e.
10. Next meeting, May 7, 2026 @ 1800 hours, Cottonwood Veterans Building.
11. Adjourn, Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.

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## Regular Meeting Minutes, April 2, 2026

The regular monthly veterans' meeting was called to order at 1804 hours by Commander Harrison B Kee

Roll called was made by the secretary, all three officers were present

Invocation was provided by Vice-Commander Ritchie Tsosie

Abbie Begay made a motion to approve the agenda and second by Kee Charley with a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, with no addition

Written Last meeting minutes March 5, 2026, was distributed to all attendances, James Ben made a motion to accept and approved the last meeting minutes and seconded by Kee Chee, with a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried.

There were 3 announcements and no guests

### Report (s)

- a. Crystalne Curley ----- Council Delegate/NNC Sparker/LDA, No Show
- b. Paula Begay----- VSO Chinle Agency, No Show
- c. Sylvia Preston----- Housing Specialist, No Show
- d. Harrison B Kee----- TCCVO Commander
- e. Ritchie Tsosie----- TCCVO Vice-Commander

### Commander Reports:

The Chinle Agency Veterans Organization monthly meeting was held at Tselani/Cottonwood Veterans' Building on March 27, 2026.

There were no guests from Window Rock level and from Chinle Agency staff.

There were two resolutions that were passed by Chinle Agency Veterans, one supporting Pinon Veterans Wellness Center and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Veterans Trust Fund Assistance later found out there is no 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter under the Veterans Trust Fund policy, the Chinle Agency Chapter Veterans Organization are doing Veterans Trust Fund transfer, The Navajo Nation Veterans Advisory Council been doing Zoom meeting 2 times a week, mainly on CO-53-25, amending the Navajo Nation Veterans Act, the Navajo Nation President Dr. Buu Nygren sign into the Law within Title 2, on November 7, 2025. They gave AVO and CVO 180 days to come up with comments, May 6, 2026, is deadline. The Advisory Council focused on Veterans Trust fund policy, particularly 180 days rule and characterizations of service. Code of Conduct of the veterans, surviving spouses and Gold Star Parents.

On April 1, 2026, the Veterans Advisory Council had their 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter meeting at Navajo Department of Transportation.



No staff from Navajo Nation Veterans Administration, OP/VP Veterans Liaison, Legal Counsel, Division of Family Services Executive Director, Department Manager II, Council Delegates.

The Advisory Council discussed membership selection, under CO-53-25 and Plan of Operation, Honor Guard/Color Guard payment and revising policies under the General Fund.

Proposed NNVAC request Housing updates once a month via zoom with Housing Manager, Mr. William Nez.

The Advisory Council got the Legal Counsel Lorenzo Curley online asking him about the Code of Conduct, it will be a standalone document for NNVAC, AVO and CVO.

Two Resolution were passed one (1) for Chinle male representative and one (1) for Eastern male representative, there were discussion a way to have a better file management system for housing applications, a routing sheet for the sign-off.

The Veterans Trust Fund Policy is long overdue; this should have been done first year of new Navajo Nation Veterans Administration.

Kee Chee made a motion to approve the Commander's report and by Brent Lee with 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried.

The Tselani/Cottonwood Veterans Organization requested budget transfer last month's meeting, Commander will check into it.

The Chapter Veterans General Fund balance, catering \$2,000.00, Gift/Awards \$3,665.60, Three new Veterans haven't got their jackets. The Commander will get the quotations to purchase three jackets for the veterans utilizing Gift/Award allocation.

TCCVO VTF balance is attached.

Next meeting May 7, 2026, at 1800 hours, Cottonwood Veteran's Building

Ritchie Tsosie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2019 hours and seconded by Harold James with 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried.

Shafawn Natalie Kee, Date 04/06/26

Shafawn Natalie Kee, Secretary



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April 2, 2026, Regular Meeting

## Sign-in Sheet

1. Harrison B. Kee

Harrison B. Kee, Commander

2. Ritchie Tsosie

Ritchie Tsosie, Vice-Commander

3. Shafawn Natalie Kee

Shafawn Natalie Kee, Secretary

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lee Chee

6. Kee Chee

7. Annia S. Begay

8. Brent Lee

9. A Francis / Byron Benally

10. Alfred Lee

11. Kee Charley

12. Stephanie

13. James Ben

14. Denise Britton

15. Ann Yazzie

16. Harold James

17. Brandon Nelson

18. Norman Burbank

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Guest (s)

1. DeLores Lee

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