

Forest Lake Veteran Organization

Agenda

Sunday November 02, 2025 @ 10am
Forest Lake Chapter

1. **Call to order:**
2. **Roll call:**
Commander Dwayne Lake
Vice Commander Don Benally
Secretary Melvina Bizahalonie
Sgt at Arms Melvin Bitsui
3. **Invocation:**
4. **Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence:**
5. **Review and Adopt Agenda:**
Motion: _____ 2nd: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abs _____
6. **Read/Accept previous minutes:** October 12, 2025.
Motion: _____ 2nd: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abs _____
7. **Reports:**
 - A. Commander Lake
 - B. Vice Commander Benally
 - C. Secretary Bizahalonie
 - D. Sgt at Arms Bitsui
8. **Old Business**
 - A. Tour Headstart Building.
 - B. _____
 - C. _____
9. **New Business:**
 - A. _____
 - B. _____
 - C. _____
10. **Announcements**
 - A. _____
 - B. _____
 - C. _____
 - D. _____
11. **Next Meeting:** TBA.
12. **Adjournment:**
Motion: _____ 2nd: _____
Vote: Y _____ N _____ Abs _____

Thank you for attending. Have a wonderful day.



**Forest Lake Veteran Organization
Minutes**

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1. **Call to order:** 1025
2. **Roll call:**
Commander Dwayne Lake - Present
Vice Commander Don Benally - Present
Secretary Melvina Bizahalonie - Present
Sgt at Arms Melvin Bitsui - Present
3. **Invocation:** Melvin Bitsui.
4. **Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence:** All in attendance.
5. **Review and Adopt Agenda:**
Motion: Betty Redhair 2nd: Melvin Bitsui
Vote: Yes 10 No 0 Abs 1
6. **Read/Accept previous minutes:** October 12, 2025. Motion to defer previous minutes.
Motion: Betty Redhair 2nd: Dennis Jim
Vote: Yes 10 No 0 Abs 1
7. **Reports:**
 - A. Commander Lake. The CNVO meeting held on October 31, 2025. The highlighted sections on the report need to have updated Resolutions, which Forest Lake Chapter Veterans Organization needs the FY2026 Approved Budget, the Approved CVO officers and Approved Plan of Operations. Second page covers the count of Veterans, Surviving Spouses and Gold Star Parent, then also the Veterans Trust Fund for FY2026 Allocation Amount. Forest Lake has 24 male veterans, 6 female veterans, 4 surviving spouses, and 0 Gold Star Parents for a total of \$55,412.00. Third page, 105 forms submitted to OOC, the Percentage of FY2026 each Chapter Veterans Organization has utilized, and part of Fund 16 (Chapter Veterans Fund). Page 4, the remaining chart of Funds 16 Chapter Veterans Fund and the Summary of Veterans Housing Program. Page 5 and 6 cover photos of Veterans events around Northern Arizona. Page 7, a list of information that will help many Veterans and their families who are impacted by the Government shutdown. The template for the Navajo Nation Veterans Code of Conduct and Ethics was shown to all in attendance.
 - B. Vice Commander Benally. Flu season – Get your flu shots/Covid shots/ RSV. Keep your immunizations updated.
 - C. Secretary Bizahalonie. No Report.
 - D. Sgt at Arms Bitsui. CPR Class, can we schedule a CPR class? How do we write a resolution? Can we get a class to learn to write a resolution?
8. **Old Business**
 - A. Tour Headstart Building. Tabled due to the Chapter Manager Ella Benally not having the key for the building. It is locked.
9. **New Business:**
 - A. Resolution for FY2026 Approved Budget. Tabled for Planning Board Meeting this afternoon.
 - B. Resolution for FY2026 FLVO Officers. Tabled for Planning Board Meeting this afternoon.
 - C. Resolution for Approved Plan of Operations. Tabled for Planning Board Meeting this afternoon.



- D. Resolution for the design of Letterhead of FLVO. Tabled for Planning Board Meeting this afternoon.
- E. **Hardship (\$400)/Energy (\$400) Applications.** The people approved for assistance are Dennis Jim, Tyrone Begay, Melvin Bitsui, Shirleen Chischilly and Kee Yonnie. **Self Help (\$1000) Applications.** The people approved for assistance are Fred Kay Bedoni SR., Dennis Jim, Tyrone Begay, Melvin Bitsui and Shirleen Chischilly.

10. **Announcements**

- A. The Family of Lily Chief invited Veterans and the Black Mesa Community to a Veterans' Day Celebration on Saturday, November 8, 2025 at Black Mesa Bible Church. Join us to honor the dedicated service of Native American Veterans. Event starts at 8 AM and lunch 12:30-1:30 PM Standard Time. Veterans must register at 8-10:30 AM for drawing and be present to win. Come join us for food, games and prizes!
- B. Shirleen Chischilly family Veterans' Day Event at the late Samuel and Ruth Bizahaloni Residence (8 miles SW of Forest Lake Chapter) on November 11, 2025.
- C. Tyrone Begay presented Paul C. Yazzie with a mug as an appreciation for serving as a former Commander.

11. **Next Meeting:** December 07, 2025.

12. **Adjournment:** 1133

Motion: Melvin Bitsui 2nd: Betty Redhair

Vote: Y 10 N 0 Abs 0

Thank you for attending. Have a wonderful day.

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Sunday, November 2, 2025 @ 10am
Forest Lake Chapter
Sign-in - Sheet

	Name:	Phone #
1.	Dwayne Lake	928-751-8511
2.	Betty Redhair	
3.	Dennis Jim	928-489-8401
4.	Melvina Brazhalonie	360-929-4672
5.	Vitanson Bego for Mike Hluz (Matthew Hansen)	928-856-0369
6.	Tyrone Began	-
7.	Melvin Bitun	740-500-7126
8.	Paul Cyss	928-429-5352
9.	Fred Bedon / Fred Bedon Sr.	928-401-8253
10.	Don Bengaly	(928) 240-3238
	<i>[Signature]</i>	(928) 613-5847

