

LUKACHUKAI VETERANS ORGANIZATION



P.O. Box 248 Lukachukai, Arizona 86507

Regular Monthly Meeting

Thursday, February 12, 2026
Lukachukai Chapter House
1:00 PM

AGENDA

- I. Meeting called to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Review and Approval of Agenda
- V. Review and Approval of Last Meeting Minutes - 01/08/26
- VI. Financial Report:
 - a. Chinle Veterans Office Accounts (as of 01/08/26)

Meetings	\$ 2,700.00	Stipends for Veterans Organization Officials
Hardship	\$ 29,167.50	Funds used for hardship assistance
Energy	\$ 29,167.50	Funds used for energy assistance
 - b. Lukachukai Chapter Accounts (as of 01/15/26)

Veterans Funds	\$ 5,521.83
Veterans Activity Funds	\$ 670.47
- VII. Old Business:
 - a. Update on Multi-Purpose Building
 - i. Support & approve to have a traditional prayer for planning of the Multi-Purpose Building
 - b. Request to have Lukachukai Chapter remove old metal building
 - c. Request to have an update on Old LCS Sewer Lagoon and Demolition of Buildings
 - d.
 - e.
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Nomination & Election of New Commander
 - b. Support & Approve NAVAHCS's proposed plan to conduct outreach for NN Veterans
 - c. Veteran Mental Health and Counseling Survey
 - d. Budget \$1,000.00 for Home Improvement
 - e. Requesting Direct Deposit for Financial Assurances
- IX. Financial Assistance Requests –
- X. Announcements
 - a.
- XI. Next Meeting – March 12, 2026 @ 1:00 PM @ Lukachukai Chapter House
- XII. Adjournment



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Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 12, 2026
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1:00 PM

- I. **Meeting called to Order**– Meeting called to order at 1:10 pm by Commander, Henry Nez.
- II. **Invocation**– Secretary did the invocation.
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance** – All members did the pledge of allegiance.
- IV. **Review and Approval of Agenda**
Secretary reviewed the agenda. The following items were added to the agenda under New Business:

- a. Veteran Mental Health and Counseling Survey, Item C
- b. Budget \$1,000 – Home Improvement, Item D
- c. Requesting Direct Deposit for Financial Assistance. Item E

Motioned by: Terry Baken **Seconded by:** Jerome Bekis
In Favor: 14 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1



- V. **Review and Approval of Last Meeting Minutes - 01/08/26**
Secretary, Harlan Thompson, reviewed meeting minutes from 01/08/26.

Motioned by: Vincent Vecenti **Seconded by:** William Yazzie
In Favor: 21 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1

- VI. **Financial Report** – Secretary Thompson, provided the financial report.

a. Chinle Veterans Office Accounts (as of 01/08/26)

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Motioned by: Terry Baken **Seconded by:** William Yazzie
In Favor: 21 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1

- VII. **Old Business:**

a. Update on Multi-Purpose Building

Secretary reported LAM Corporation still waiting for a response from CPMD in Window Rock. Until they get a response, LAM will give us an update re: the planning of the multi-purpose building. Secretary requested members to plan and coordinate a traditional prayer for the planning of the Multi-Purpose building. The members agreed and donated funds to give to medicine man. A total of \$60.00 was donated and given to Mr. Anthony Lee. Mr. Lee said he will discuss the request with his family and have a response next meeting.

Motioned by: William Yazzie **Seconded by:** Phillip Sandoval, Jr.
In Favor: 21 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 3

- b. **Request to have Lukachukai Chapter remove old metal building**
Secretary did an update on the request to have the chapter remove the old metal building. He stated the chapter officials informed him during the recent chapter meeting that the removal will have to be done proper Navajo Nation personnel due to safety reasons. The officials will keep organization informed.

Motioned by: Terry Baken

Seconded by: Anthony Gray

In Favor: 19 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1

- a. **Request to have an update on Old LCS Sewer Lagoon and Demolition of Buildings**
Secretary did an update on response from the chapter officials re: the old LCS campus. He stated the chapter officials informed him that the BIE/BIA are in charge of the demolishing of the buildings and cleaning. Currently, there are no fundings for the work to be done. The members requested to have the organization draft a resolution to the chapter requesting for Lukachukai School Governing Board to get involved and request BIE/BIA to complete the demolition and cleaning.

VIII. New Business

- a. **Nomination & Election of New Commander**

Commander Nez open nominations for Commander. Teresa Thompson nominated Tilda Nez. Nez accepted nomination. There were no other nominations or volunteer. Phillip Sandoval, Jr. closed nomination.

Motioned by: Phillip Sandoval, Jr.

Seconded by: Teresa Thompson

In Favor: 18 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1

- b. **Support and Approve NAVAHCS's proposed plan to conduct outreach for NN Veterans**

The members agreed to approve NAVAHCS's proposed plan to conduct outreach for NN Veterans. The outreach for Lukachukai Chapter veterans will July 01, 2026.

Motioned by: Vincent Vecenti.

Seconded by: Kee Harvey

In Favor: 18 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1

- c. **Veteran Mental Health and Counseling Survey**

Secretary informed veterans that Veteran Mental Health and Counseling Surveys must be completed by veterans. Once surveys are completed, they will be sent to Chinle Veterans Office. No motion was made.

- d. **Budget \$1,000.00 for Home Improvement**

Secretary informed members that Home Improvement Assistance can be done if some funds from the Hardship and Energy Accounts are transferred to the Home Improvement Account. Members have to approve the transfer of funds and may apply for \$1,000.00. The members agreed to vote on the transfer of funds next meeting (April).

Motioned by: Vincent Vecenti.

Seconded by: Kee Harvey

In Favor: 17 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1

- e. **Requesting Direct Deposit for Financial Assistance**

The members approved to have direct deposits of their financial assistances. Chapter personnel informed members direct deposits are already approved. Members need to complete direct deposit consent forms and turn them in at Chinle office. Consent forms were given to members requesting for direct deposits.

Motioned by: Vincent Vecenti.

Seconded by: Anthony Gray

In Favor: 17 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1

- IX. **Financial Assistance Requests** – There were four financial assistance requests.

X. Announcements

- a. Members thanked Mr. Nez for his service as Commander and agreed to have a luncheon for him next meeting.

- XI. **Next Meeting – March 12, 2026 @ 1:00 PM @ Lukachukai Chapter House**

- XII. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Motioned by: Vincent Vecenti

Seconded by: Tilda Nez

In Favor: 17 **Opposed:** 0 **Abstained:** 1



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**RESOLUTION
OF THE
Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee
Resolution #: LVO2601**

Supports, Approves and Accepts Tilda Nez as the newly elected Commander.

WHEREAS:

1. Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee (LVO) is a recognized standing committee of the Lukachukai Chapter Government and is the foundation of; and advocates on behalf of ALL Lukachukai Veterans who is released or discharged “Honorably”; and includes surviving spouse; and
2. Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee (LVO) has been vested with the duties and responsibilities to advocate for ALL Lukachukai Veterans who is experiencing everyday health problems and financial hardships in addressing their needs to the local chapter government; and
3. Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee (LVO) is vested with the power and authority to advocate for All Lukachukai Veterans and their families for improvement of their health, safety, education and general welfare; and
4. Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee (LVO) respectfully supports, approves and accepts Tilda Nez as the newly elected Commander.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee (LVO) hereby supports Tilda Nez to serve as Commander for the Lukachukai Veterans Organization (LVO).

CERTIFICATION:

We, hereby certify that the foregoing Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee (LVO) Resolution was duly considered by the Lukachukai Veterans Organization Committee (LVO) at a duly called meeting in Lukachukai, Arizona at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 18 in favor; 0 opposed and 1 abstained, this 12th day of **February, 2026**.

MOTIONED BY: Phillip Sandoval, Jr. _____

SECONDED BY: Teresa Thompson _____

