

TSELANI/COTTONWOOD CHAPTER VETERANS ORGAIZATION

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

Regular Meeting Agenda

January 8, 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, November 6, 2025/December 4, 2025
Motion by; _____ Second by; _____ Vote; __ in favor, __ opposed, __ abstain
6. Announcement (s) Introduction of guest (s)
 - a. CNVO Meeting, January 30, 2026, Many Farm Chapter
 - b. Military/Family Health Networking, January 24, 2026, Tempe, Az
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.
9. New Business (s)
 - a. Chapter Veteran's fund balance \$0, Catering, \$1165.60, Gift/Awards
 - b. Resolution: Supporting United State Marine Corps Veteran, Kee Richard Chee, Vietnam War Veteran, Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization Acknowledge his request to install new ramp for his Trailer and requesting the All-Veterans Auxiliary group to help him to install new ramp.
 - c. TCCVO Veterans Trust Fund balance, \$54,517.00
 - d. Approving the Veterans Trust Fund Assistances
 - e. Approving \$5,000.00 Chapter Veterans Fund and Budget it.
10. Next meeting, February 5, 2026 @ 1800 hours, Cottonwood Veterans Building.
11. Adjourn, Motion by _____ second by, _____ hrs.

WELCOME HOME COMRADES, BE SAFE AND TAKE CARE

HAPPY NEW YEAR



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Regular Meeting Minutes, January 8, 2026

The Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization regular meeting was called to order at 1805 hours by the commander.

Roll called made by the commander with two officers present and the secretary called in that she be running late due to snowing road conditions. The secretary arrived at 1815 hours.

Invocation provided by Christopher Bryant, a veteran with cottonwood chapter.

Kee Charley made a motion to approve the agenda and seconded by Ritchie Tsosie with a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention, motion carried.

The last meeting minutes for November 6, 2025, and December 4, 2025, were approved, motion made by James Ben and seconded by Brandon Nelson with a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention, motion carried.

There were 3 announcements.

Report(s)

Council Delegate/Madan Speaker, Crystalyne Curley, no show

VSO Chinle Agency, Paula Begay, no show

Housing Specialist, Sylvia Preston, no show



Commander reports:

The commander informed the veterans he would like to expedite the meeting due to snowy road conditions.

The Central Navajo Veterans Organization held their monthly meeting at Chinle Catholic Hall on December 19, 2025. There were no Council Delegate present.

Council Delegate/Madan Speaker, Crystalyne Curley gave her updated reports, she has 6 staff working with the chapter on budget and amendment of the policy that related to chapter issues under T-2-chapter 5 recognition.

The Navajo Nation funds are declining due to no coal revenue and less gas revenue; the nation is making preparation for next 3 years budget process.

The nation is already drafting \$4 million from permanent trust funds to cover the cost of the nation's operations.

The nation has been proving the veterans with funds from the Navajo Nation general funds and encouraged the veterans to utilize the funds for what is budgeted for from the council. Chapter veterans' organization must have plan of operation and report to the Navajo nation veteran's advisory council quarterly for any veteran's issues.

The veterans had concerns for the VSO sending out the email about the veterans can apply for Veterans Trust Fund assistance online, it is not fair for us veterans attend the meeting to

keep the veteran's organization going, at least they come to the meeting to apply for veteran trust fund assistance in person.

Arthur Hardy from the speaker office, the Codification legislation was passed in October, CVO plan of operation has been in process drafting and 180 days is open for any Recommendation from the veterans, during the CNVO meeting the veterans schedule Codification Legislation work session on January 7, 2026, invite Andy Nez to learn and understand how it's going to work for the veteran's organization, but, we end up in Veterans Advisory Council meeting; the nation is addressing transitional team, when a veteran come home to civilian life, the nation is not prepare or any service for the veterans, the nation is drafting an policy for outside resources, suicide prevention, PTSD, other related prevention, etc.

They strongly encourage the veterans to bring their spouses to the meeting, letting them know and understand about the veteran's issues.

No report from Vice-Commander, Chrisopher Bryant made a motion to approve the commander's reports and seconded the motion by Don Nez, with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained, motion carried.

New Business.

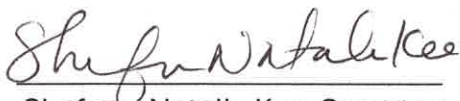
Chapter veteran's general fund, \$0, catering, \$1165.60 for gift/awards.

Resolution. Supporting United State Marine Corps Veteran, Kee Richard Chee, Vietnam War Veteran, The Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization Acknowledge his request to install new ramp for his trailer and requesting All Navajo Veterans Auxiliary to help him to install new ramp. Kee Charley made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Amos Yazzie, with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained, motion carried.

James Ben made a motion to approve veterans trust fund assistance requests and second by Alfred Lee with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained, motion carried.

Next veteran's meeting, February 5, 2026, at 1800 hours.

Alfred Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1930 hours and seconded by Don Nez, with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained, motion carried. Meeting is adjourned.



Shafawn Natalie Kee, Secretary, Date, 01/12/26

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January 8, 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. Kee Charley
6. CHRISTOPHER DRYANT
7. Abbie S. Begay
8. Doreen Y. Begay
9. Granda Nelson
10. Brant Lee
11. James Ben
12. Edward G. Gamm
13. Stephen G. 718
14. Alfred Lee
15. Daniel
16. Amos Yazzie
17. _____
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- Guest (s)
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



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Resolution

Of the

Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization 01-08-26

SUPPORTING UNITED STATE MARINE CORPS VETERAN, KEE RICHARD CHEE, VIETNAM WAR VETERAN, THE TSELANI COTTONWOOD CHAPTER VETERANS' ORGANIZATION ACKNOWLEDGE HIS REQUEST TO INSTALL NEW RAMP FOR HIS TRAILER AND REQUESTING THE ALL-NAVAJO VETERANS AUXILIARY GROUP TO HELP HIM TO INSTALL NEW RAMP

WHEREAS:

1. In 1991, The Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter established the Tselani/Cottonwood Veterans' Organization (TCCVO) as a unit of the Navajo Nation Government with delegated authority to make decisions over veterans' matters that are consistent with Navajo Law and Tradition; to advocate on behalf of all eligible Navajo Veterans; to address their needs/concerns and to minimize hardship for Navajo Veterans and their families, and
2. The wooden steps were built about 20 years ago and the dilapidated wooden steps has no strong, "not stayable situation" the condition is unsafe, hazard and severe damage from rain, snow, it's beginning to be very unsafe for the family, and
3. Mr. Chee is registered voter with Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter and a member of veteran's organization and living with his wife and his son. His son is 28 years old with down syndrome which causes his ability to speech and other therapies program, he goes to special education every day, and
4. Mr. Chee is 77 years old veteran and 100% Service-Connected Disability, he had open heart surgery, kidney removed and he is going for cataract eye surgery in coming weeks. He is required to have a safe step or a ramp, a ramp will be better for easily accessible with handrails, and
5. Mr. Chee has a very urgent need. This request is very important that immediate attention or action is needed, and
6. Mr. Chee lives with his family in double wide trailer .25-mile East of Steamboat Chapter House on North of State Highway 264, Steamboat, Arizona, his Phone number is 928-410-9849



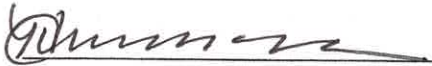
7. The Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization is strongly supportive of Mr. Chee's request and asking All Navajo Veterans Auxiliary group to help with the cost of installation of the new ramp.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

SUPPORTING THE UNITED STATE MARINE CORPS VETERAN, KEE RICHARD CHEE, VIETNAM WAR VETERAN, THE TSELANI/COTTONWOOD CHAPTER VETERANS' ORGANIZATION ACKNOWLEDGE HIS REQUEST TO INSTALL NEW RAMP FOR HIS TRAILER AND REQUESTING THE ALL-NAVAJO VETERANS AUXILIARY GROUP TO HELP HIM TO INSTALL NEW RAMP.

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was considered and approved by the Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization at a duly called meeting at Tselani/Cottonwood Veteran's Building, Navajo Nation, Arizona at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstentions on this 8th Day January 2026.



Harrison B Kee, Commander



Ritchie Tsosie, Vice-Commander



Shafawn Natalie Kee, Secretary