

TSELANI/COTTONWOOD CHAPTER VETERANS ORGAIZATION

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

Regular Meeting Agenda

March 5, 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, February 5, 2026
Motion by; _____ Second by; _____ Vote; __ in favor, __ opposed, __ abstain
6. Announcement (s) Introduction of guest (s)
 - a. Women History Meet/Greet, women veterans, surviving spouses, Gold Star Parent, March 16, 2026, at Chinle Catholic Hall, 10 am to 2 pm
 - b. CNVO work session, March 13, 2026, at Agency office, 10 am
 - c. CNVO meeting March 27, 2026, Cottonwood Veterans' building 1000 hours
16th Annual Vietnam Veterans' Honor Walk, March 25 to 29, 2026
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: Request Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Administration to purchase food items for CNVO meeting at Cottonwood Veterans' Building on March 27, 2026, 10 am – 3 pm.
 - c. TCCVO Veterans Trust Fund balance, Hardship-\$15,600. Energy-\$15,600. Med. \$317.00, meeting stipend-\$2,325.
 - d. Approving the Veterans Trust Fund Assistances
 - e. Approving Transfer Hardship/Energy to Home Improvement
 - f.
10. Next meeting, April 2, 2026 @ 1800 hours, Cottonwood Veterans Building.
11. Adjourn, Motion by _____ second by, _____ hrs.

WELCOME HOME COMRADES, BE SAFE AND TAKE CARE



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Regular Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2026

The Tselani/Cottonwood Veterans was called to at 1800 hours by Commander Harrison B Kee.

Roll call was made by the Commander, all three (3) officers were present.

Invocation was given by the Commander

Harold James made a motion to accept the agenda and was seconded by Ritchie Tsosie, with a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained. Motion carried

The last meeting minutes of February 5, 2026, were read by the Secretary, Ritchie Tsosie made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Kee Richard Chee, with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained. motion carried

There were 5 announcements

Report (s)

- a. Crystalyne Curley, Council Delegate- no show
- b. Paula Begay, Chinle Agency VSO-no show
- c. Sylvia Preston, Chinle Agency Housing Specialist-no show
- d. Harrison B Kee, TCCVO Commander
- e. Ritchie Tsosie, TCCVO Vice-Commander



Commander Report:

Commander Kee went back to the announcement about the CNVO meeting on March 13, 2026, this meeting is about the Navajo Nation Council Legislation CO-53-25. The Navajo Nation Veterans Advisory Council wants recommendations or any amendments to the Legislation. CNVO pretty much have the Veterans Trust fund recommendation together for review by Advisory Council and CNVO Plan of Operation.

The CNVO had their monthly at Low Mountain Chapter, 2026, there was nobody from Window Rock staff, also agency staff, Navajo Nation President Buu Nygren gave the Navajo Nation staff administrative leave that day, the Low Mountain Chapter was closed, we almost didn't have our meeting, chapter official opens the chapter.

Paula Begay, Chinle Agency Veterans Service Officer, she provided a written report via email.

Dave Nez, Board member, NNHI, gave a report on the status of warrior home project, the Federal VA is willing to fund 65% of the construction cost and the 35% as matching fund from the Navajo Nation, total construction cost \$112 million dollar, the Federal VA wants the Navajo Nation President to sign the grant and April 15, 2026 is deadline. Last year we missed the deadline because staff turnover in President' Administration.

Barton Hosteen, the Vice-Chair, Pinon Veteran Wellness Center project, the project was a joint construction with warrior home project, but the Federal VA will not cover the cost of the pinon veteran's wellness cent project. Now the project is standalone project.

The Advisory Council are working on Code of Conduct to make one standardized Code of Conduct for 110 Chapter CVO, the Tselani/Cottonwood Veterans agreed that one standard Code of Conduct for all 110 chapters will make the veterans easy to understand. CNVO passed Resolution 2-26-1, Veteran Trust Fund policy. James Ben a motion to approve Commander's report, seconded by Kee Chee, vote 19-0-5

New Business:

- a. Resolution 3-26-2
Requesting Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Administration to purchase food items for CNVO meeting at Cottonwood Veterans Building on March 27, 2026, transfer \$500 from Gift/Awards to Catering. Motion by Alfred Lee and second by Amos Yazzie, vote 15-0-5.
- b. TCCVO Veteran Trust Fund balance, Hardship \$12,000., Energy \$12,000., Med \$317. Meeting stipend \$2, 325.
- c. Resolution 3-26-1
Requesting the Central Navajo Agency Veteran Administration to transfer funds from Veterans Trust Fund Hardship (\$7,000.) and Energy (\$7,000.) for Home Improvement total of \$14, for 14 veterans.

Next meeting April 2, 2026 @ 1800 hours, Veterans Building.

Denise Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1938 hours and seconded by Harold James, vote 15-0-5.

Submitted by, Shefa Natali Kee Date, 3/09/26

TSELANI/COTTONWOOD CHAPTER VETERANS ORGANIZATION

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Resolution Of the Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization 3-26-1

Requesting the Central Navajo Agency Veteran Administration to Transfer funds from Veterans Trust Fund Hardship (\$7,000.) and Energy (\$7,000.) for Home Improvement total of \$14,000.00

WHEREAS:

1. In 1991, The Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter established the Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization (TCCVO) as a unit of the Navajo government with delegated authority to make decisions over veterans' matters that are consistent with Navajo Law and Traditions; to advocate on behalf of all eligible Navajo Veterans; to address their needs/concerns and to minimize hardship for the Veterans and families, and
2. The Tselani/Cottonwood Veterans Organization has a balance of \$12,800. Hardship and \$12,800. Energy in Navajo Nation Veterans Trust Fund for Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans' Organization, and
3. When FY26 allocation was established for Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter Veterans Organization, we didn't budget enough fund for the Home Improvement, and
4. There are more Veterans coming forward asking for Home Improvement Fund, the Veterans decided to transfer funds from Hardship in amount of \$7,000. and Energy in amount of \$7,000. Total of \$14,000. For Home Improvement that will serve 14 veterans.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Requesting the Central Navajo Agency Veteran Administration to Transfer Funds from the Veterans Trust Fund Hardship in amount of \$7,000. And Energy in amount of \$7,000. For Home Improvement total of \$14,000.

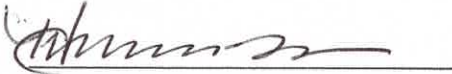
CERTIFICATION

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 Veterans Building, Navajo Nation, Arizona at which a quorum was present and that same passed by a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained on this 5th day of March 2026.

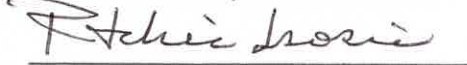
Motion by: Abbie Begay

Second by: Harold James

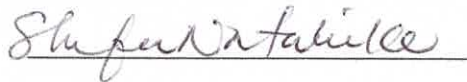




Harrison B Kee, Commander



Ritchie Tsosie, Vice-Commander



Shafawn Natalie Kee, Secretary