



LMVO

Low Mountain Veterans Organization



Commander – Melvin Harrison

Vice Commander – Ronald Little

Recorder – Roger B. George

**LOW MOUNTAIN VETERANS' ORGANIZATION (LMVO)
REGULAR VETERANS MEETING
MONDAY MARCH 9th, 2026 @ 1000 AM**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Melvin Harris, LMVO Commander
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:** All Attendance & Voluntary Invocation
- III. ROLL CALL/QUORUM:** Roger B. George, Recorder
- IV. REVIEW/ADOPT AGENDA/LEAVE AGENDA OPEN:**
 1. (M) _____ (S) _____
Vote: Favor _____ Oppose _____ Abstain _____
- V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
 1. Planning Meeting, March 4, 2026 @ 0900 AM
 2. DLS Time begins, March 8, 2026 @ AM to PM
 3. International Women's Day, March 8, 2026 @ AM to PM
 4. LMVO Meeting, March 9, 2026 @ 1000 AM
 5. LMC Regular Meeting, March 12, 2026 @ 0900 AM
 6. CNVO Meeting, March 27, 2026 @ Cottonwood Chapter @ 1000 AM
 7. St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 2026 @ AM to PM
 8. Spring begins, March 20, 2026, to Summer begins/Father's Day, June 21, 2026
- VI. REPORTS:**
 1. Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander
 2. Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder
 3. Ben Gonnig, Chapter President
 4. Paula S. Begay, VSO NNVA Central Agency Office
 5. Benjamin Benallie, AMS
 6. Sylvia Preston, Housing Specialist
- VII. OLD BUSINESS:**
 1. LMVO Special Chapter Veterans Fund Use Purchase Orders i.e. Jackets, Blankets & Vests
Update: Melvin Harris, LMVO Commander.
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS:** None
- IX. OTHERS:** None



X. NEXT MEETING DATE:

XI. ADJOURNMENT:



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MEETING MINUTES

- I. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander called the Regular Veterans Meeting to order at 1055 AM.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:** All Attendance 10 members & 2 visitors participated
Voluntary Invocation: Ron Little, Vice Commander
- III. **ROLL CALL/QUORUM:** Roger B. George, Recorder conducted the Roll Call calling out the list of names in the use of the meeting Sign-In Sheet and attendance were as follows and quorum present for the Regular Monthly Veterans Meeting.
 1. Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder
 2. Ron Little, LMVO Vice Commander
 3. Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander
 4. Maggie A. Tom, Surviving Spouse (Jimmy Tom)
 5. Jimmie Armoy, veteran
 6. Roselyn White, visitor
 7. Linda Pete, visitor
 8. Leroy Jimmy, veteran
 9. Mary Lena Chee, surviving spouse
 10. Rayneil C. Kelly, veteran
 11. Ben Gonnie, veteran
 12. Geneva John, surviving spouse (Ernest John)
 13. Sylvia H. Brown, surviving spouse (Randell Brown)
 14. Toney Kanuho, veteran Represented by Pamela Ahasteen
- IV. **REVIEW/ADOPT AGENDA/LEAVE AGENDA OPEN:** LMVO Commander Read the Agenda onto the Records and Commander asked for any change and/or addition, none noted. Motion: Ronald Little, veteran, second: Maggie A. Tom, Vote 08/00/01 and Motion carried.
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VI. REPORTS:

1. Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander provided an overview of the CNVO Meeting held at the Low Mountain Chapter February 27, 2026, 25th NNC Reapportionment Plan, required under Navajo Nation Law occurring every 10 years. NEA, NBOES, and the NNC conducted Preparations reviewing data, Agency public hearings and updating Reapportionment plans to result in the Proposed 5A Plan (see map) for further presentations and approvals. The Reapportionment Plan did arouse critical thoughts and serious considerations for a lengthy discussions and inputs by members. Some questions and concerns were presented and expressed on what maybe the expected on local impacts. Commander, B. Gonnies, Chapter President, and R. Little, Vice Commander. VTF NNVA Central Agency Office Control, Discussion of a third round of the VTF assistance that was supported by LMVO and R. George, to follow up with a Resolution for April '2026 meeting. B. Gonnies, Chapter President, Ms. R. C. Kelly and L. Jimmy LMVO members provided their inputs and concerns.
2. Ronald Little, LMVO Vice Commander
3. Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder, I will write the VTF resolution
4. Ben Gonnies, Chapter President, Provided an extensive talk on the Reapportionment Plan and the Veteran Trust Fund and a brief history of the transition of the LMVA to the LMVO.
5. Paula S. Begay, VSO NNVA Central Agency Office - *Absent*
6. Benjamin Benallie, AMS - *Absent*
7. Sylvia Preston, *Housing Specialist - Absent*

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

1. LMVO Special Chapter Veterans Fund Use Purchase Orders, i.e. Jackets, Blankets & Vests Updates by Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander. Consensual agreement between I and commander he would email me a copy of the update orders did not transpire.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Navajo Nation-wide Veterans Plan of Operation: the consensus of the LMVO was to have the LMVO Plan of Operation remain and to incorporate or attach a brief "Code of Conduct" for our Veterans Organization.
2. This Code of Conduct to outline indicating the chief features or parts for the LMVO.
 - I. **Purpose and Scope**
Purpose: This Code of Conduct outlines the expected behavior and responsibility for veteran members and surviving spouses of the LMVO.

Scope: Applies to all members, volunteers and representatives of the organization
 - II. **Core Values and Principles:**
Respect: Treat others with dignity, respect and Professionalism.
Integrity: Act with Honesty and dignity, transparency and accountability.
Service: Prioritize the well-being and interests of veterans and the community.
Inclusivity: Foster a welcoming and inclusive environment for all.
 - III. **Expected Behavior:**

Conduct: Behave in a Respectful, Courteous and Professional manner.
Communication: Communicate Clearly, Respectfully and Timely.
Confidentiality: Protect Sensitive Information and Maintain Confidentiality
Compliance: Adhere to Navajo Nation laws, Regulations and Organizational Policies.

IV. Non-Compliance and Reporting:

Reporting: Report concerns and/or Incidents to the LMVO Commander or to the designated presiding Chapter Official and the Central Agency Veterans Service Officer (VSO).

Investigation: Incidents will be investigated promptly and fairly.

Consequences: Non-compliance may result in appropriate disciplinary action up to a hearing with the NNVA Executive Director and/or the NNVAC.

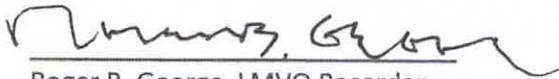
This Code of Conduct will be customized to fit the LMVO's specific needs and to consult the NNVA and the NDOJ for specific requirements to be ready to approve at the next scheduled meeting Monday, April 13, 2026.

IX. OTHERS: None

X. NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, April 13, 2026, at 1000 AM.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Leroy Jimmy, veteran motioned to adjourn the Regular Monthly Veterans Meeting, Second by Jimmie Armboy, veteran. Vote 13/00/01 and motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 1236 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder