



LMVO

Low Mountain Veterans Organization

Commander – Melvin Harrison

Vice Commander – Christen L. Ben

Recorder – Roger B. George

**LOW MOUNTAIN VETERANS' ORGANIZATION (LMVO)
REGULAR VETERANS MEETING
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th, 2025 @ 1000 AM**

AGENDA

- I. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER:**
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/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. October 1, 2025, Chapter Planning Meeting at 0800 AM
 2. October 5, 2025, LMVO Regular Meeting at 1000 AM
 3. October 6, 2025, CLUPC Meeting at 1000 AM
 4. October 9, 2025, Regular Chapter Meeting at 0900 AM
 5. October 13, 2025, Indigenous Peoples' Day
 6. October 16, 2025, National Bosses Day
 7. October 24, 2025, United Nations Day
 8. October 21, 2025, 2026 Flu Schedule PUSD Gym 0900 AM – 1400 AM
- VI. **REPORTS:**
 1. Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander
 2. Christen Ben, LMVO Vice Commander
 3. Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder
 4. Ben Gonnig, Chapter President
 5. Paula S. Begay, VSO NNVA Central Agency Office
 6. Benjamin Benallie, AMS
 7. Sylvia Preston, Housing Specialist
- VII. **OLD BUSINESS: (UNFINISHED BUSINESS.)**
 1. LMVO-2026-02: LMVO Plan of Operation
[M] _____ [S] _____
Vote: Favor _____ Opposed _____ Abstain _____
 2. LMVO-2026-03: LMVO Veterans List – Confidential Matter ???
[M] _____ [S] _____



Vote: Favor _____ Oppose _____ Abstain _____

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Forms Distributions

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 Monthly Veterans Meeting to order at 1040 AM.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:** The Pledge of Allegiance conducted by all present at the Veteran's Meeting led by Roger George, LMVO Recorder and Invocation provided by Ms. Phoebe Begay, Surviving Spouse; (Archie Begay)
- III. **ROLL CALL/QUORUM:** Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder conducted Roll Call with more than a quorum present as follows;
 1. Christen L. Ben, LMVO Vice Commander
 2. Harrison Blie, Veteran
 3. Carmelita Redsteer, Surviving Spouse (James Redsteer)
 4. Ryan Joe, Veteran
 5. Ben Gonnig, Veteran
 6. Jimmie Armboy, Veteran
 7. Alexander D. Attakai, Veteran Represented by Rita Attakai
 8. Cassandra Attakai, Family member
 9. Phoebe Begay, Surviving Spouse (Archie Begay)
 10. Rayneil C. Kelly, Veteran
 11. Charleston Baker, Significant Other # 10
 12. Kee Yazzie Chee, Veteran
 13. Laura Wartz, Representative for her son Kobryan Wartz, Veteran
 14. Evelyn Begay, Representative for her son Bradley Chee, Veteran
 15. Evelyn Begay, Surviving Spouse (Sampson Begay)
 16. Floyd James, Veteran
 17. Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander
 18. Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder
 19. Geneva John, Surviving Spouse (Ernest John)
 20. Albert J. Lee, Sr., Veteran
 21. Leroy Jimmy, Veteran
 22. Maggie Tom, Surviving Spouse (Jimmy Tom)
- IV. **REVIEW/ADOPT AGENDA/LEAVE AGENDA OPEN:**

Ms. Christen Ben, LMVO Vice Commander read the day's Agenda.

 1. [M] Ryan Joe, Veteran [S] Phoebe Begay, Surviving Spouse
Vote: Favor 16 Oppose 00 Abstain 01



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VI. REPORTS:

1. Melvin Harrison, LMVO Commander, provided what was needed in the report regarding the FY 2026 Budget Shell, The Low Mountain CVO Allocation Amount: \$81,489.00 budgeted and approved by the LMVO during the duly called Veteran's Meeting on Sunday, September 21, 2025, and The Budget was submitted to the NNVA Agency Office with Mr. Benjamin Benallie, AMS. NOTE: LMVO Commander personally submitted the Budget and did report back, he's to follow up with a memorandum to ratify and make formal, the minor changes rendered to the budget with Mr. Benjamin Benallie, AMS.

A discourse question was presented by a member without obtaining the floor legitimately, offers a question that was contrary to the agenda and rather than the commander ruling on the question, being out of order, obliged to provide an answer to satisfy the member's question. Such a question was, the "Chapter Veterans Funds" that was taken up in a prior meeting. The Second item, "LMVO Veterans List" though an agenda item in the present meeting, combined with the "Chapter Veterans Funds" plus my reiterative actions to immediately provide my lengthy explanatory typically for emphasis or clarity resulted in a considerable extent of time. As the saying goes; "my bad."

2. Christen Ben, LMVO Vice Commander Nothing to Report
3. Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder, For my Report, I provided my repeat explanations from memory to emphasize the problems encountered during a Chapter Planning Meeting April '2025, in the process of having requested funds from the Chapter Veterans Funds (CVF) for catering supply purchases in the amount of \$500.00 and only received \$365.29. The plan was to facilitate a Community Dinner hosted by the LMVO with Special Invitation to OPVP, NNVA Executive Director, NNVA Central Agency Office staff and a Special Speaker for the event. EXCERPT Pages from March and April '2025, LMVO Meetings Attached for verify Purpose.
4. The "Veteran's List" was briefly mentioned by the Commander and from my perspective out of concerns, the prior listing obtained from the agency office that I have and another list that the Commander obtained at a later date, we are unsure that both listings or either one of the two listings that should be referred to in our line of work and not different. Commander's recommendation, maybe the 2 listings does need a consolidation whereby we need to get together with the agency to consolidate the 2 listings plus any other listing that maybe out there, (merge, integrate) into a single more effective or coherent whole 1

single "Veterans List" This should not be confidential between the NNVA Agency Office and LMVO.

5. Ben Gonnie, Chapter President Provided his interpretation and explanation and to use unfairly his and the Chapter's advantages, the Chapter Veterans Funds.
6. Paula S. Begay, VSO NNVA Central Agency Office Not present.
7. Benjamin Benallie, AMS Not present.
8. Sylvia Preston, Housing Specialist Not present.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: (UNFINISHED BUSINESS.)

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2. LMVO-2026-03: LMVO Veterans List – Confidential Matter ???
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3. NOTE: "OLD BUSINESS (UNFINISHED BUSINESS) Items 1 and 2 Deferments to October 14, 2025, LMVO Officer's Meeting October 14, 2025, at 1000 AM. (Subject to Change.)



VIII. NEW BUSINES:

1. Forms Distributions: The following forms were distributed to LMVO members;
 1. VA Burials & memorials,
 2. NNVA-Central Agency 12 Steps to a Veteran Financial Request
 3. Veterans Registration Forms FY 2026
 4. Surviving Spouse Registration Forms
 5. NNVA CVO Assistance Request Forms
 6. VTF Application Flow Chart
 7. NNVA Housing Program Information
 8. Central Agency Veteran Housing Program Summary – Low Mountain New Construction Male 6/Veteran Renovation 1/SS Renovation
 9. NN VTF Financial Assistance Program Policies

IX. OTHERS: CNVO Meeting Chinle Chapter October 21, 2025, at 1000 AM.

X. NEXT MEETING DATE: November 12, 2025, at 1000 AM.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: LMVO Commander adjourned the Veteran's Meeting at 12:20 PM VOTE: 17/00/01.

Submitted By:

Roger B. George, LMVO Recorder



Chapter Facility Usage Form

LOW MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
P.O. Box 4416
Blue Gap, Arizona 86520
Phone No. (928)725-3700
Email: lowmountain@navajochapters.org

Name: Roger B. George

Date: 10/03/25

Address: PO Box 447
Keams Canyon, AZ: 86034

Phone Number: (928)401-1935

Date & Time to be used: October 5th, 10am - 2pm

Are you registered with Low Mountain Chapter? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Census Number: 5294

Nature of Event: LMVO Monthly Meeting

Date & Time of Event: October 5th, 10am

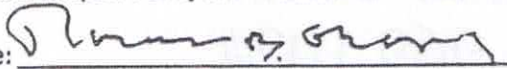
Description	Fee	Navajo Nation Sales Tax (6%)
Rental Fee – Standard	\$50.00	\$3.00
Rental Fee – Political	\$100.00	\$6.00
Cleaning/Security Deposit – Standard	\$25.00 (Refundable)	N/A
Cleaning/Security Deposit – Political	\$50.00 (Refundable)	N/A
Kitchen Usage	\$20.00	\$1.20
Vendor On Premises Fee	\$5.00	\$0.30

Rental Fee can be waived for internal departmental program functions as meetings, trainings, activities, clinics, or work-sessions for the benefit and interests of the community, including emergency community descendant's family meetings and funeral reception gathering.

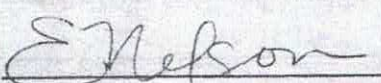
LOW MOUNTAIN CHAPTER EQUIPMENT RENTAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- Fees and Deposits must be made one (1) week prior to Rental.
- Rental must not conflict with other approved Facility Usage. (Meetings, Other Rental Events, etc.)
- The Cleaning/Security Deposit will be refunded provided that the Chapter House is clean, trash is disposed of, there are no damage, and the key is returned to the Chapter Administration the next business day at 8:00 AM.
- If the Requesting Party is submitting another request prior to current request, the Requesting party shall be required to submit another Facility Usage Form and pay a separated rental fee and cleaning/security deposit.
- Requesting Party must provide own cleaning solutions, trash bags, etc.
- Complete Facility Usage Check-Off List before and after event. [Attached]
- Rental availability must comply with current Navajo Nation Emergency Executive Orders.

Refer to the Chapter Policy and Procedures for detailed guidelines of the Chapter House/Facility Usage.

Signature: 

Date: 10/3/25

For Chapter Use Only											
☒ Approved ☐ Denied											
Inspected By: _____	Date: _____										
Approved By: <u></u>	Date: <u>10/03/25</u>										
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