



Crownpoint Chapter Veterans Organization
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Lou Antone, Sr.
Commander

Willetto Freeland
Vice Commander

Frances Morris
Secretary

November 11, 2025

**Veterans Memorial Day
Regular Meeting**



- I. Meeting to Order – Commander Lou Antone, Sr
- II. Honoring the U.S. Flag - Membership
- III. Invocation – Wilson DeVore, Jr.
- IV. Review and Approval of the Agenda – Commander Antone
- V. Reports:
- VI. Financial Report:
 1. FY26 Navajo Nation Veterans Trust Fund.
 2. Fund Raising Account.
 3. Crownpoint Chapter Veterans General Funds Account.
 4. Stipend Approval for Commander, Vice-Commander, Appointed Secretary and Agency Meeting Veteran Representative.
 5. Financial Assistance Requests
- VII. Announcenent:
 1. November 10, 2025 – Crownpoint Chapter Planning Meeting @ 12:00 Noon.
 2. November 25, 2025 – Crownpoint Chapter Regular Meeting @ 10:00 A.M.
 3. December 11, 2025 – Crownpoint Veterans next meeting @ 10:00 A.M.
- VIII. Meeting Adjourn – Refer to Luncheon Agenda.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU ALL. BLESSINGS TO EACH & EVERYONE. ENJOY YOUR TIME WITH FAMILY MEMBERS.

5. FYR 2026 General Funds for Veterans Financial Assistance Allocated Funds \$19,355.00 Mr. Johnnie Martin stated that we need more information on General Funds from Veterans Administration, is the allocated funds \$19,355.00 per chapter? If that's the case we would like to keep for our veterans to utilize it, not fair if other chapter are using our allocated funds. Veterans office staff are saying one big pot.
6. Financial Assistant request:
 1. Emma Jean Begay- Hardship (groceries), Energy (firewood) and Self Help (door, windows, paint)
 2. Tommy Rogers- Hardship (tuition), Energy (firewood) and Self Help (door, lumber)
 3. Paul Sheppard- Hardship (groceries) Energy (firewood) and Self Help (handicap ramp, railing and windows)
 4. Rick Brown- Hardship (groceries) and Energy (firewood)Veterans Administration staff will determine which funds (Trust Fund or General Funds) to use. Pauline Freeland motion to accept the Financial Report and second by Jonah Silver. A Vote of 33 in favor, 0- Opposed and 3- Abstained.
7. Reimbursement \$66.43 to France Morris (Crownpoint Organization Secretary) Mr. Johnnie Martin motion to approve \$66.43 for reimbursement to Mrs. Frances Morris and second by Fredrick Antonio. A Vote of 33 in favor, 0- Opposed and 4- Abstained

Announcements:

1. November 25, 2025- Crownpoint Chapter Regular Meeting at 10:00 a.m.
2. December 11, 2025- Crownpoint Veterans Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janice Antone

Crownpoint Veteran Organization

Meeting Minutes November 11, 2025



- I. Commander Mr. Lou Antone Sr., Called meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.
- II. Membership honored the United States flag by citing "The Pledge of Allegiance"
- III. Invocation provided by Mr. Tom Yazzie
- IV. **Review and Approved of the Agenda:** Commander Mr. Lou Antone Sr., reviewed the Agenda. Pauline Freeland motion to approve the Agenda with add on under Financial Report #6 Re-imbursement for \$66.43. Linda Martin Second the motion. A Vote of 13 in favor, 0- Opposed and 3 Abstained.
- V. **Review and Approval of October 9, 2025 meeting minutes to membership.** Lucinda Martin motion to approve October 9, 2025 minutes with correction on Page-2 under Reports #2- Veterans Memorial Day Luncheon to Veteran Day Luncheon and to reimburse CVO Secretary Frances Morris in the amount of \$66.43 cost of ink cartridges for printer. Lucinda Martin motion to approve October 9, 2025 meeting minutes with corrections. Pauline Freeland second the motion. A Vote of 14 in favor, 0- Oppose and 3- Abstained.
- VI. **Reports:** Crownpoint Chapter President Rita Capitan- Thank the veterans for their services and a lot of service man and women are over sea still, serving our country. Today is a special day for all veterans. Mr. Hoskie Kee- Thanked all the veteran for their military services. Mr. Kee talked about a family who invited him to a welcome home for their daughter who came back form the military. Now females, are serving in the military. Rich History for the Navajo people, including scarifies and contribution of all dine warriors. Remember the year 1859, it was the birth of Baahalilii and Baali, nobody talks about it. Only the year 1864-1868 "The Long Walk". They were two Dine Warriors with group of Navajo's hiding from the US Calvary and Baali escaped from Ft. Summer. They got captured and sent to prison for 10 years but released about 2 years later, sent to Utah and interact with Pueblo Tribes, that's where some have Pueblo tribe clans. Now everything is technology even with the military. Where military drones are used to fight wars. Education is important, they can develop skills in technology. Thank you. Pauline Freeland motion to accept the reports and Tommy Rogers second the motion. A Vote of 28 in favor, 0- Opposed and 4- Abstained.
- VII. **Financial Report-Vice Commander Mr. Willeto Freeland**
 1. Reviewed the FYR 2026 Veterans Trust Fund for Self-Help balance \$1,000.00, Hardship Assistance \$10,000.00, Energy Assistance \$10,800.00
 2. Fund Raising Account- \$ 1,177.23
 3. Crownpoint Chapter Veterans General Funds \$9,546.23 balance is \$7,446.23 and \$2,100.00 for Catering.
 4. Stipend Approval for Commander- Mr. Lou Antone Sr. \$75.00, Vice Commander Mr. Willeto Freeland \$75.00, appointed secretary Janice Antone \$75.00 and Agency Veterans Representative Mr. Lou Antone Sr. \$150.00.

Vice Commander Willeto Freeland commented we need to form a fund-raising committee to support our Organization, Crownpont Chapter is willing to help and Navajo Technical College. A lot of financial request not approved, purpose and need for request, need to be specified on the type of assistance you need. Veterans who can not attend monthly veterans meeting, you need to submit a statement with your application. Isaac Toledo motion to accept Financial Report and second by Tommy Rogers. A Vote of 31 in favor, 0- Opposed and 3- Abstained.