



KIN DAH LICHII' CHAPTER VETERANS ORGANIZATION

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COMMANDER: Mr. Ericson Mann

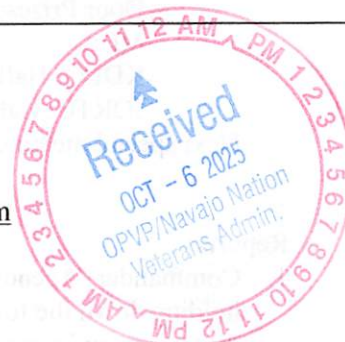
VICE COMMANDER: Mr. Marvin Owens

SECRETARY: Ms. Karen Shirley

October 5, 2025

10:00 am

MINUTES



I. Meeting Called to Order by: Vice Commander Marvin Owens at 10:12 am

- Invocation: Vice Commander Owens
- Pledge of Allegiance: All
- Moment of Silence: All

II. Announcements:

- October is here and it is getting cold. Please keep warm!
- Happy Birthday to those whose Birthdays is in October.
- Gathering of Warriors event – October 9-12, 2025 @ Wide Ruins, Arizona. (DNP)
- ABQ Standdown for Homeless Veterans – October 17, 2025 @ 8:00 am – 1:00 am
- Navajo County Standdown – October 24, 2025 @ 10:00 am – 2:00 pm – Holbrook, AZ
- Benjamin Curley announced he was disappointed with the agency meeting on Friday. I do want to thank Karen, Natasha, Brian, Ashley's family and my wife for all they did. There was no planning, but it turned out. Marvin Metteba also attended, he said the invocation and welcome address. We should collect donations for Karen for all the work she has done.
- Marvin Metteba emphasizes on the Agency meeting, let's help each other we do have another huge event coming up. I also would like to say to Commander Mann to step down until after Veterans Day event.
- Brian Curley appreciates Karen and my mom for stepping up to do their best. I would like to also say to commanders to be here on time to every meeting, and please keep your phone silent as we cannot hear what is being said.
- Verna Curley attended the Agency meeting; her son Brian messaged her stating that they needed food to feed the veterans as the budget to purchase food did not go through. So, I took out a turkey hoping it would be thawed out in time. Thanks to Karen for doing what she does best, we all had a great lunch. We are also having our Chapter meeting; the budget will go through today. Have a good day.

Motioned and 2nd by: Edmund Nez / Leighton Ashley

Vote: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained

III. Approval of Agenda: Read by Commander Mann

- Motioned and 2nd by: Brian Curley/ Natasha Nelson
- Questions/Comments: None
- Vote: 35 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained

IV. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes: Secretary Tabled

- Motioned and 2nd by: _____
- Questions/Comments:
- Vote: _____ In Favor _____ Opposed _____ Abstained

V. Unfinished Business:

1. Bravo Solar presentation by Walter Bia – Tabled due to NO PROJECTOR
2. Veteran's Day event updates (Parade, food, theme etc.)
Theme: Service To Our Nation

Grand Marshal: Honoring al Vietnam Veterans
Guest Speaker: Council Delegate Vince James
Entertainment?
Honor Guards: Brian Curley
Kevin Ashley
Ericson Mann

Door Prizes:

MC:

KDLO: Halloween Carnival – set up a booth to sell and purchase what we need for the parade.

JORTC: Call Chinle.

Next special meeting: October 19th, 2025, at 9:00 am. Update.

VI. Reports

1. Commander: Agency meeting on Friday I was late about 30 minutes, thanks to Marvin Metteba for holding down the fort. Trust Fund policy, Veterans Director Bobbie was in attendance, they are discussing an increase of the stipends for all CVOs. They are also considering a one-line item from the budget making it hardship. Be Patient with our office, as we are under staff. As for veterans' housing, this is an on-going structure. Each Chapter to receive \$5,000.00, these funds will be used for your supply requests. Our veteran count from last year to now has decreased; to get more funds, we need our numbers to increase within our community.
 - Motioned and 2nd by: Nelford Wilson / Raymond Notah
 - Questions/Comments: Marvin Metteba comments on the funds as it has reached \$200,187,22.00. Commander Burnside presented a resolution which states to have veterans apply first and have surviving spouses apply in January. This resolution brought so much attention, we had SS come out from Jeddito, AZ and putting in their input. Other veterans also do not change anything; leave it as is. The votes for this resolution were opposed. Metteba also comments to Commander Mann not stepping down until after our upcoming event.
 - Vote: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained
2. Vice Commander: Hello everyone, I have been here on and off for the past 20 years, trying my best to learn. We have so many veterans who have been in this position and know the routine of how much goes into being a commander. Take so much of your personal time, even Secretary Karen position she has done so much for us. Puts all her heart, generosity, time and her dad was a veteran. Donation you all gave to Karen today is \$123.00. She will continue to assist us, getting our reports done, minutes, and submitting them to the Agency office. We have exhausted our CVO funds back in May and we have been volunteering since then. Seeing our numbers today, please join us every month or every 3 months and see all the good we are doing. There are other Standdown, veterans event that have great resources. Thanks for all your patience, solving problems work left and right and I will do my best for you all.
 - Motioned and 2nd by: Marvin Metteba / Edison Ashley
 - Questions/Comments: None
 - Vote: 34 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained
3. Secretary: Good afternoon, everyone, Edison Asley and your family thanks for assisting me, I still have your ice chest and will deliver it next time. If you have any announcements for me to add in our agenda, let me know. At times I don't have much to add. Dine Naazbaa Partnership is the non-profit organization I work for and starting this coming Thursday, we are hosting a 4-day event. Come out and join us, see other resources that will be there. If you have questions regarding your claim, come out to Wide Ruins, AZ., there will be signs so you cannot miss it. If you want to host a meal, please let us know, you still have time to register with me or through Facebook and you'll receive a FREE T-shirt. Come out and join us.
 - Motioned and 2nd by: Brian Curley / Walter Bia
 - Questions/Comments: None
 - Vote: 35 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained

20. ✓ Alberta Wilson is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
21. ✓ Alfred J. Wilson is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
22. ✓ Brett Owens is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
23. ✓ Marvin Robert Owens is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
24. ✓ Edison Nez is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
25. ✓ Benjamin Curley is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
26. ✓ Leighton R. Ashley is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
27. ✓ Herbert Hoover Tsosie III is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
28. ✓ Raymond James Notah is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
29. ✓ Brian Ben Curley is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
30. ✓ Amy Lacy Begay is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
31. ✓ Norman D. Bahe is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
32. ✓ Francis C. Tsosie is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
33. ✓ Frances Manning is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
34. ✓ Caroline Angela Shirley is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.
35. ✓ Marilyn M. Morris is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = **\$1,566.00** for wood, food and door.

- Motioned and 2nd by: Leighton Ashley / Brian Curley
- Questions/Comments: None
- Vote: 29 In Favor 0 Opposed 3 Abstained

IX. Meetings

- a. Next Veterans Meeting: November 2, 2025 @ 10:00 am @ KinDahLichii Veterans Building
- b. Next Agency Meeting: January 9, 2026 @ 9:00 am @ Oak Springs, Chapter House, Oak Springs, AZ
April 3, 2026 @ 9:00 am @ Mexican Springs Chapter House, Mexican Springs, NM
July 10, 2026 @ 9:00 am @ Tohatchi Chapter House, Tohatchi, NM.
October 2, 2026 @ 9:00 am @ Houck Chapter House, Houck, AZ
- c. Next Planning Meeting: November 5, 2025 @ 10:00 am @ KinDahLichii Chapter House
- d. Next Chapter Meetings: November 23, 2025 @ 10:00 am @ KinDahLichii Chapter House.


Karen T. Shirley, Secretary

VII: New Business

Nominations for Commander
Nomination for Vice Commander
Nomination for Secretary

Tabled this until after Veterans Day event.

- **Fall Trash Pick-up – Date:** October 19, 2025 @ 9:00 am. We will also have a special meeting to finalize our Parade event right after trash pickup. Will meet up summit, have our lunch at the same time.
- Motioned and 2nd by: Thurman Sam / Amy Begay
- Questioned/Comments: None
- Vote: 36 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained

VIII: Financial Assistance: – **NEED TO BE PRESENT TO APPLY.** 35 Requests

1. ✓ Marvin Metteba is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
2. ✓ Jerry Dan James is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
3. ✓ Benny Sam is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
4. ✓ Thurman Bennie Sam is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
5. ✓ Cassandra David is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
6. ✓ Edison Ashley is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
7. ✓ Ericson Mann is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
8. ✓ Natasha Nelson is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
9. ✓ John Kirk Jr. is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
10. ✓ Nelford Wilson is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
11. ✓ Ryan Youvella is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
12. ✓ Rolinda Nez is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
13. ✓ Herman Ashley is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
14. ✓ Walter Bia is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
15. ✓ Harry Manuelito Jr. is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
16. ✓ Bobby Tsinajinie is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
17. ✓ Kevin Michael Ashley is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
18. ✓ Robert C. Wilson is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.
19. ✓ Ernest Wilson Sr. is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement: \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for wood, food and door.