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Cornfields Veterans Organization

Cornfields Chapter, Arizona 86505

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

October 19, 2025
9:00 AM

I. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Commander Wilbur Smith at 9:50 AM.
II. Pledge of Allegiance/ Moment of Silence: Commander Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance and paused for a moment of silence.
III. Invocation: Invocation was given by Lawrence Sam.
IV. Announcements:
- Ft. Defiance Agency Veterans Organization Meeting: Commander Smith reported that he attended the Ft. Defiance Agency Veterans Organization meeting at Kinlichee Chapter on 10/4/25. He said the Resolution to Ft. Defiance Agency Veterans Organization needed to be passed by each Chapter. He read the draft resolution. There were some comments about taking control and responsibility of each Chapter Commanders and Veterans Organization made by Lamonte Smith.
- Recognize Guest & Visiting Officials: There are none.

V. Approval of Agenda: Motion to Approve agenda by Douglas Hardy and add two items under Item VII Item B. and Item C: 1. Select a Pro-Temp Vice Commander for this meeting, 2. Presentation by Douglas Hardy. Motion seconded by: Julius Smith. Vote: 8-1-1.

VI. Approval of Meeting Minutes – 9 12 25: Secretary Nez read the minutes from 8/12/25. Motion to approve: Julius Smith, Second: Lamonte Smith. Vote: 15-0-1.

VII. New Business:
A. Approval of CVO Resolution to Cornfields Chapter requesting for Support of Legislation 0168-25; an Action Relating to The Law and Order Committee, Health, Education and Human Services Committee, NAABIK'IYATI' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending the Navajo Nation Veterans Act at 2 N.N.C.@ 1032 Through 1036, Relating to the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration and Veteran Advisory Council; and Establishing Agency Veterans Organizations, and Chapter Veterans Organizations.
Commander Smith read the CVO Resolution, Mary Ann Arnold had questions regarding the resolution and Commander explained in Navajo the intent of this resolution. He said it was designed to reinforce the rights of the Veterans and Surviving Spouses. Motion to approve made by: Lawrence Sam, Second: Julius Smith; Vote: 11-0-2.

B. Section of Pro-Temp Vice Commander for this meeting. Motion made by Julius Smith to approve Douglas Hardy as ProTemp Vice Commander. Second: Eugene Anderson, Vote: 12-0-1.

C. Presentation and recognition of Veteran. Douglas Hardy made presentation to Surviving Spouse Evelyn Hardy & Children, late Anthony Hardy's surviving spouse to receive a Pendelton Robe on behalf of the Veterans. Douglas also said his late dad Ben Hardy, was a Navajo Code Talker too, he was recognized and was awarded a flag.

VIII. Old Business:

A. Cornfields Chapter Veterans Organization FY 2025 Budget Report: Secretary Nez said the balance for the Cornfields Chapter Veterans funds was $2,131.71. Motion made by Eugene Anderson to purchase 20 turkeys and 13 ham to give out to the Veterans and Spouses. Second: Mary Ann Arnold. Vote: 10-0-2.

IX. Request for Agency Trust Funds:

a) Approve CVO Officers Stipend for Conducting Meeting on October 19, 2025 Veterans Meeting. Motion made by Mary Ann Arnold to approve the Stipends, second: by Eugene Anderson, Vote: 12-0-1.

X. Reports: CVO Officers: Secretary Nez reported that shes been attending the Chapter Meetings and answered all questions regarding Veteran Issues. She asked for support regarding the upcoming support resolution from Cornfields Chapter.

XI. Benediction: Mary Ann Arnold did the benediction.

XII. Adjournment of Meeting & Next Meeting: Next meeting will be on 11/9/25 at 9 am.

Submitted by: _____