

Cornfields Veterans Organization

Cornfields Chapter, Arizona 86505

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Location: Cornfields Headstart Building

January 14, 2026

4:00 PM



- I. Meeting called to order by Vice Commander Patrick Burns at 4:24 pm.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance/ Moment of Silence: Done by Vice Commander Burns
- III. Invocation was done by Julius Smith.
- IV. Announcements:
 - Ft. Defiance Agency Veterans Organization Meeting: Vice Commander Burns said the scheduled meeting for January 9, 2026 was postponed due to the weather, next meeting will be announced. Commander Smith said he meet with the Ft. Defiance VSO Fallyn Begay on Friday, January 9, 2026. She gave him information regarding the Trust Fund CVO Budget FY 2026. There was a total balance of \$219.50 as of 12/28/25, to be transferred to another account. After this is done we can submit for Hardship and energy funds from newly allocated Buffer Beso, by NN Council. Navajo Nation Council allotted 3 million for the General Account Veteran Funds under Buffer Beso. Commander Smith said he wanted veteran support regarding a Women's Color Guard Group who use a Staff in front of the United States Flag. He wants to bring it before the Agency Veterans Council and Navajo Nation Medicine man Association, to see if its within the Navajo Traditional Policies to have this done.
 - Recognize Guest & Visiting Officials: Ganado Commander Nate Gorman was in attendance.
- V. Approval of Agenda: Motioned to approve by Dewayne White, Second by: Julius Smith. Ms. Nez, Secretary asked to Amend the Agenda on Item VI.A. to add the word Resolution to read: CVO Trust Fund Budget FY 2026 Budget Revision Resolution.
Vote: 8-0-0
- VI. New Business:
 - A. CVO Trust Fund FY 2026 Budget Revision Resolution: Motion to Approve by Chester Franklin, to move from Stipend Fund \$75.00 and Energy Assistance Fund \$144.50, Total: \$219.50 to Color Guard Funds account #6930. Second: Mary Ann Arnold. Vote: 10-0-1
 - B. Approval of Cornfields Veterans Organization FY 2026 Buffer Beso Allocation: Motion to approve Buffer Funds Allocation to CVO made by Dewayne White, Second by: Chester Franklin. Vote: 11-0-1.

VII. Request for Agency Trust Funds:

- a) Approve CVO Officers Stipend for Conducting Special Meeting on January 14, 2026: Veterans Meeting. Motion to approve by Chester Franklin, Second by Nelson Betoney. Vote: 11-0-1.

VIII. Benediction: Made by Nelson Betoney.

- IX. Adjournment of Meeting & Next Meeting: Next meeting will be announced. Motion to adjourn by: Mary Ann Arnold, Second: Dewayne White. Vote: 11-0-1. Time: 6:00 pm.