

Envision Cameron
Meeting Agenda
February 18, 2021

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1. Call to Order—Jamie Larson

Call to order at 1:07 PM MST.

2. Self-Introductions

In attendance of today’s meeting includes Chris McKibben, Don Irby, Marshall Whitmire, Tim O’Connell, AJ Taptto, Raymond Maxx, Stephanie Hall, Rhonda Harvey, Mae Franklin, Lula Neztosie, Patsy Yazzie, Bobby Robbins, Brian Cole and Jamie Larson.

4. Administrative Details and Reports—Tolani Lake Enterprises/USDA Rural Development

It was reminded that the budget is finalized and has little wiggle room but will review to see if they can carve out space to budget for incentives. The agreements will soon be finalized as minor errors are addressed. Collection of final signatures will soon be distributed.

5. Project Activity/Programming

a. Swaback Partners

Swaback is beginning to brainstorm ways to engage the community, thus far is thinking a paper survey in addition to building website that provides information and a survey. The aim of this is to gain perspective from the community and inform them about the project. Swaback shared a rough draft of topics for discussion and survey question outline. The question remains of how and when to get people on the ground in Cameron for community engagement. Marshall Whitmire offered to assist in the creation of the survey and recommended creating a objective statement to guide purpose of survey. Cole questioned Neztosie and Hall which way may be the most effective way to distribute surveys to get feedback. Hall responded success has been seen targeting specific people and completing 1:1 interview with incentive involved. McKibben recommended a focus group and also reaching out through Facebook. Neztosie recommended to reach out to the younger community. Overall, it was recognized that there is a crucial need to collect community feedback but there are a lot of obstacles with this due to pandemic.

b. Building Communities

Larson asked for feedback regarding photos of Cameron to add to the project presentation to make it reflect the community and will attempt to reach out to the CLUPC. Cole will be leading

grant writing workshops on Mondays, beginning 02/22 for three weeks, invitation is extended to all. More information included on following page.

c. Native Builders

Bobby Robbins is representing Native Builders. They had a Chapter Committee to update chapters on resolutions for regional and chapter recovery plans. He will be assisting the Navajo Thaw support team and will be presenting to Kyrsten Sinema and other political figures soon. Native Builders is currently working on many projects around Cameron.

d. Cameron Chapter/CLUP

Mae Franklin represented the Cameron Chapter. Route 64 to the Grand Canyon may be reopening soon and hope to begin talking with Grand Canyon Parks and Recreation prior to opening concerning Cameron economic opportunity. Cole asked to share contact information of Grand Canyon representative to be shared in order to invite them to meetings.

5. New Business

No new business was brought up in the meeting.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on March 4th at 1 PM MST.

7. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20.

Envision Cameron Meetings

1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1 PM MST

Navajo Thaw Grant Writing Workshops to Begin Next Week

As announced previously, the Navajo Thaw will be offering a series of three grant writing workshops beginning on Monday afternoon, February 22. Subsequent workshops are scheduled for the afternoon of Monday, March 1 and Monday, March 8.

The workshops are a part of the Business Assistance for Entrepreneurs (BANE) project which is a partnership with Moonshot at NACET, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation based in Flagstaff and serving the Navajo Thaw Region.

There will be two outcomes from the series of workshops:

1. Multiple grant applications will be immediately submitted for consideration for federal funding by multiple applicants
2. A group of budding grant writers will be eager to learn more and submit applications themselves

“The Navajo Thaw has built great momentum, and it is time that we deepen our bench by having more grant writers and proposal managers throughout the Navajo Thaw Region,” said Brian Cole, President, Building Communities. “This training session is designed to increase capacity throughout the Navajo Thaw Region.”

For people that wish to attend the workshop series, a Zoom link with a telephone backup is provided below.

Navajo Thaw BANE Grant Writing Workshop Series

Feb 22, 2021 1:00 PM
March 1, 2021 1:00 PM
March 8, 2021 1:00 PM

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