

Envision Cameron

Meeting Notes

January 16, 2023

10 am MST

1. Call to Order

Kelsey Lee called the meeting to order at 10:10 am MST. Attendees included Kelsey Lee, Aletha Johnson, Chuck Howe, Chris McKibben, Stan Robbins, Eileen Tohonnice, Bailey Anderson, Bobby Robbins, and Raymond Maxx.

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

Aletha Johnson updated the group that the Quarterly Reports were submitted for the project and wanted to make sure that USDA received these since she has not heard back.

3. Work Session on Current/Urgent Topics

a. Future Community Gatherings

i. February 13 From 10 am – 2 pm MST

Johnson gave an update on facilities that might be available for the February 13 meeting. This included the Cameron Chapter House, the Cameron Senior Center, Mae Franklin's greenhouse, the Legacy Inn, or the Tuba City Chapter House. Johnson noted that it may be too late to reserve the Cameron Chapter House because they have to go through an insurance review that takes some time. She also noted that she has not been able to contact anyone at the Senior Center in Cameron. Lee mentioned that the Senior Center is pretty small and may not work due to COVID restrictions.

It was noted that a hybrid meeting at the Legacy might work best as this would allow people to participate who cannot travel to Tuba City on a Monday. The in-person option would also allow for attendance and participation by the older community who may not know how to use technology as well.

Chris McKibben noted that Swaback can make anything work, but would prefer the in-person option if possible. McKibben stressed the importance of attendance whether it be in-person or via Zoom.

A discussion took place of how Swaback would share their materials in a hybrid meeting and it was concluded that using a projector and screen with the materials would allow both in-person attendees and virtual attendees to see the materials.

It was agreed that the hybrid meeting would work best. Lee would work with Johnson and Franklin to secure a location and report back to the group hopefully by the end of the day Monday, February 6.

It was decided that this meeting would run from 10 am to 2 pm MST on February 13.

ii. March 28 from 12 (noon) – 4 pm MST

It was decided that the group will discuss the specifics of the March 28 meeting after the February 13 meeting takes place. This will allow the group to adjust any details to improve attendance at the March 28 meeting.

It was noted that using the Bigthumb land is still a desirable option for this meeting. It was also discussed that the group would like the Blackstreak family to be in attendance to answer questions.

Lee then asked about the sign that would be posted on the Bigthumb land. Bailey Anderson stated she would get in contact with Brian Cole to see where this is in the process and ask if Building Communities is covering the cost of the sign as well as the process of setting it up.

McKibben explained that he will talk with Rhonda Harvey to see if they received all the materials needed to produce the sign.

b. Innovation Implementation Challenge Project Discussion

Aletha asked how things are moving along with Chuck Howe and Swaback in terms of looking at the site and conducting analysis. Howe noted that he has started looking into the site and will finish that this week. He is also coordinating to get a call set up to go through these details.

McKibben described the progress that Swaback is making on site planning. This will be shared with everyone at the meeting on February 13.

c. Report on Project Facebook Page

No report

4. Project Activity/Programming

a. Swaback

No report

b. Building Communities

No report.

c. Native Community Builders

No report.

d. Cameron Chapter/CLUP

No report.

5. New Business

No report.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting is the in-person meeting on February 13 from 10 am – 2 pm MST. The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 20 at 10 am MST.

7. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am MST.



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1st and 3rd Mondays at
10 am MST