

MANY FARMS VETERANS ORGANIZATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 5, 2019



Meeting called to order at 5:55 p.m. by Commander Slivers  
Invocation made by Billy Thomas, Sr.  
Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Announcements:

Commander Slivers, received a flyer, there will be a Monument Valley Veterans Marathon, November 15,-17, 2019. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Marathon. It is open to anyone interested in participating in the Marathon, Half Marathon, Trail10K, Kids Marathon and 4-mile Trail Run. There will be a recognition program on November 16, 2019. Veterans who wish to participate will run free, please bring your ID. Winners for the Marathon and Half Marathon will earn a \$1,000 shopping spree at The View. Age group winners will get \$100.00. For more information contact Jeff Gipe at 505/686.2300; 928/429-0345 or chuskaman@yahoo.com.

Vice-Commander Thomas: There will be a Veterans Stand Down at Kykstmovi, AZ. Get more information from the Chapter.

Again, I am announcing my resignation from my post at Vice-Commander due to health problems and lack of vehicle. I reside in Chinle and it's hard to get around without a vehicle, I lost my vehicle. I will reside at this meeting and will tender my written resignation. Thank you for understanding.

Review and Approval of Agenda- Commander Slivers. Read Agenda, there are no additions, deletions and correction to Part III, date of previous meeting minutes to reflect October 3, 2019. Motion made by Dave Nez, seconded by Kee G. Gillwood, motion carries by a vote of 22 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained.

Review and Approval of Minutes from October 3, 2019. Secretary Iyua read minutes. No additions, deletions or corrections. Motion made by Edward Tsosie, seconded by Everett Jumbo to accept minutes. Motion carries with 23 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained.

Reports:

Chinle Agency VSO - position is still vacant, no representation

Commander Slivers: I don't have anything to report, I wasn't able to attend the last CNVO meeting as I had family medical obligations.

Vice-commander Thomas: Just a comment, it has been getting harder to work with the staff at the Chinle Office, there are only two employees. Seems like you have to go through your Commander if you need information. The Commander has to write a note for Vice-Commander if he can't make it to the CNVO meetings so the Vice-Commander can represent him.

Kee Allen Begay, Council Delegate: No representation. We haven't seen him for quite some time now.

Financial Report: Secretary Iyua, I received the Budget information from the Commander today and it shows that the detailed budget that we submitted still has not been processed. There are only three line items in the budget, Stipend \$3,600.00, Social \$33,775.90 and Home Improvement (-2,800.00). Ms Nez states that she submitted the budget on October 7, 2019, and as of this meeting date has not been finalized by Office of Budget Management. There were four request for Home Improvement and they have been processed. We will continue to receive the Home Improvement Requests and hopefully the budget will be finalized soon.

**Old Business: Veterans Day Festivities**

**Commander Slivers:** I got information from Secretary Iyua today that the Parade was cancelled. She indicated that she received an email from Orlinda Nez stating this. The email said the Commander and Secretary were informed of the cancellation. We were both not contacted about this. I don't know who told Mrs. Nez. (Mr. Nez: Orlinda will be here shortly-we will ask her).

Mr. Anson Etsitty is spearheading this event, we need to contact him to see if the cancellation is true. A phone number was obtained and a call was made to Mr. Etsitty. He did verify the parade was cancelled because of his health issues and to the cold weather. Mr. Etsitty said he did inform Mr. Tsinijinnie.

Dave Nez, perhaps we can just do a get together for all the Many Farms Veterans, maybe a potluck, meet and greet. We could do it on Veterans Day, if we can have it in the Chapter House. We could request some funds to purchase some food, we will need volunteers to prepare the food. This is just a suggestion.

Chester Conn, I agreed with Mr. Nez, we should have a potluck, it has been awhile since we had something like that. If we request monies it will take a long time to get a check. We should all just pitch in and buy the food, we can do it, perhaps \$20 so we can purchase the main dish.

Ben Begay, we should pitch in for the main dish, and we can all bring the side dishes and drinks.

Suggestion for main dish was Mutton Stew and fry bread, turkey and ham. A majority wanted Mutton Stew. Most of the Veterans donated \$20.00, a total of \$295.00 was raised. Further discussion on potluck took place. The committee set up for the Veterans Day event will meet at 10:00 a.m. Friday at the MF Chapter to do further planning. There were several volunteers who signed up food items, to prepare the food, etc.

**Update Housing Applications:** All veterans who have housing applications are encouraged to update their records, this is a new fiscal year, and it is required by Navajo Nation to update applications.

**New Business:** None at this time

**Financial Assistance/Ratification:**

Gary Clah  
Elizabeth Clah  
Roger Yazzie, Sr.  
Kee G. Gillwood  
Eric Jackson  
Elaine M. Bia  
Davidson R. Thomas  
Chester Conn  
Monty Kenneth Klah  
Emma Rose Elliott  
Thomas Cooke  
Billy Thomas, Sr.  
Marie Gatewood  
David H. Thomas  
Brandon Shaun John  
Woodie Williams, Sr.  
Annie R. Gray  
Nelson Tsosie  
Elbert Jumbo  
Alice R. Gray

Motion to approve financial request made by Chester Conn, seconded by Dave Nez. Motion carries with 19

in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained.

Motion made by Edward Tsosie to adjourn meeting, seconded by Ella Jackson, motion carries with 19 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. Meeting adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

*Charles R. Ague*



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 SIGN-IN SHEET

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS

1. Commander: PERRY SLIVERS \_\_\_\_\_
2. Vice Commander: RONALD THOMAS 9 \_\_\_\_\_
3. MFVO Secretary/Treasurer: Charles R King \_\_\_\_\_
4. GARY CLAH \_\_\_\_\_ @gmail.com
5. Billy THOMAS Sr. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Kee Hillwood \_\_\_\_\_
7. Isabel Hillwood \_\_\_\_\_
8. Davidson Thomas \_\_\_\_\_
9. Edward Tsosie \_\_\_\_\_
10. Chute Am \_\_\_\_\_
11. Annie Gray \_\_\_\_\_
12. Roger yizzie \_\_\_\_\_
13. David Nez \_\_\_\_\_
14. Thomas Cooky \_\_\_\_\_
15. Woodie Williams \_\_\_\_\_
16. Ella Jackson for Eric Jackson \_\_\_\_\_
17. Joseph A. Bia Sr \_\_\_\_\_
18. Junior B Regay \_\_\_\_\_
19. Elaine M Bia \_\_\_\_\_



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20. Monty KENNETH KL

21. Crystal Holtsoi

22. Alvina Thomas for Br

23. ELBERT JUMBO

24. Ben Bejay

25. Emma<sup>R</sup> Elliott L

26. Mari Gateward la

27. ORLINDA NEZ REP:

28. David H Thomas

29. Lorene H Thomas

30. James Lynn

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**MANY FARMS VETERANS ORGANIZATION  
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AGENDA**

November 5, 2019

- I. Call Meeting to Order @ \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. by \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. Invocation/Moment of Silence
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Announcements
  
- II. Review and Approve Agenda - Commander  
 Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Second by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 In favor \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained \_\_\_\_\_
  
- III. Review and approve September 3, 2019 Meeting Minutes  
 Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Second by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 In favor \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- IV: Reports:
  - A. Chinle Agency VSO
  - B. Perry Slivers - Commander, MFVO
  - C. Ronald Thomas - Vice Commander - MFVO
  - D. Kee Allen Begay, Council Delegate
  - E. Financial Report
  
- V. Old Business
  - Veterans Day Festivities
  - Update Housing Applications
  
- VI. New Business
  
- VII: Financial Assistance Approval(s) and Ratifications  
 Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Second by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 In favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- VIII. Adjournment  
 Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Second by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 In favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Next meeting date: December 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.