

**Joint Village Strategic Planning Meeting Notes**  
**Tuesday, April 6, 2021**  
**10 AM MST**  
**Zoom Videoconference and Telephone**

**1. Call to Order—Cedric Kuwaninvaya, CSA, Upper Moenkopi Village**

The meeting was called to order by Brian Cole at 10:05 am MST.

**2. Self-introductions**

Meeting attendees included Mary Bradley, Andrew Gashwazra, Linda Honanie, Le Roy Shingoitewa, Sam Shingoitewa, Robert Sumatzkuku, James Surveyor, Philton Talahyewa, Neil Yazzie, and Brian Cole.

**3. Approach to Hopi Tribal Council**

Philton Talahyewa reported that the documentation is in front of the Office of General Counsel so the matter may be before the Hopi Tribal Council in May. Talahyewa noted that the “author” of the document is Cedric Kuwaninvaya. Talahyewa thought that even though Kuwaninvaya was no longer the CSA, that the Hopi Tribal Council could move forward on the matter.

**4. Reports from Villages/Community**

**a. Upper Moenkopi Village**

Talahyewa noted that he wished that the Steering Committee for UMV was more formally established from the onset, inclusive of operating bylaws and a scope of work. Cole responded, acknowledging that that would have been the ideal. Cole indicated that he was still highly impressed with the efforts of UMV and its Steering Committee.

**b. Village of Moencopi (Lower)**

Le Roy Shingoitewa and Robert Sumatzkuku then discussed the status of the commitment of the previous board of the Village of Moencopi (Lower) in this effort. Sumatzkuku emphasized that it would be up to the prior Board Members if they desired to get back involved in supporting this effort. Brian Cole noted that of all of the Villages at Hopi, it was VML that was perhaps the most engaged from 2017-2019 in the Strategic Planning process. Cole spoke highly of the efforts of VML, especially Board Chair Cliff Kaye and former CSA Margaret Pooyouma. Cole indicated he would forward contact information from the former VML Board to Le Roy Shingoitewa.

**c. Yuwehloo Pahki Community**

Le Roy Shingoitewa underscored the importance of all three Villages having representation before the HTC when they were invited to address the matter. Brian Cole noted that even though YPC has not had representation at recent meetings, he assured the group that the YPC Board and Staff remain fully engaged with this effort. Cole stated that Cathy Wright indicated that they had a conflict with food deliver for this particular meeting.

**5. Village Resolutions of Support**

No report.

**6. Other Business/Next Meeting/Adjourn**

Cole thanked Le Roy Shingoitewa and the UMV Steering Committee for their continued meetings and work to understand their Strategic Plan and to refine their project budget. Cole noted that simultaneous to the work of the UMV Steering Committee, we should consider ourselves “ready to proceed” for Congressional Funding. That is, if we can get the first phase of funding, those dollars will not only advance “shovel ready projects” but they will also increase the administrative and technical capacity of JVSP to conduct further due diligence on projects (engineering/architecture/environmental studies/project management).

Neil Yazzie then spoke to a couple of priorities of MUA including the Pasture Canyon Well.

Le Roy Shingoitewa indicated that continued efforts to brief the Congressional Delegation should be made. Josh Clause needed to remain in the loop and contacting additional members of the Congressional Delegation including Congressman Grijalva.

The next meeting is scheduled at the regular “Tuesday at 10 am MST time” on April 13.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am MST.