

**Joint Village Strategic Planning
MEETING NOTES
Monday, July 27, 2021
10 AM MST
Zoom Videoconference and Telephone**

1. Call to Order

Brian Cole called the meeting to order at 10:11 am MST.

2. Self-introductions

Meeting attendees included Mary Bradley, Dale Lucero, Leroy Shingoitewa, Sam Shingoitewa, James Surveyor, Robert Sumatzkuku, Cathy Wright, and Brian Cole.

3. Approach to Hopi Tribal Council

Much of the conversation of this meeting related to the approach to Congress for the federal funding. Brian Cole had reported that he had received three emails from Josh Clause.

Mr. Clause indicated the action by the Hopi Tribal Council provided clear direction to him that he was to pursue the \$1.2 billion in federal funding.

Cole reported that Mr. Clause was interested in the commitments and decisions that have been made by Navajo. It would be easier for Hopi to succeed if similar advocacy and commitment was made on the Navajo side. Cole then forwarded two resolutions of support from the Navajo Hopi Land Commission (NHLC) and a letter that was sent to Congress by President Jonathan Nez and Vice President Myron Lizer.

Leroy Shingoitewa indicated that it was critical now that the Hopi Tribe and the Navajo Nation work collaboratively to secure funding. Shingoitewa asked Brian Cole for contacts at Navajo. Brian Cole responded that the top two contacts would be Navajo Nation Delegates Otto Tso and Thomas Walker, Jr. Brian Cole would forward contact information for these Delegates to Shingoitewa.

4. Reports from Villages/Community

a. Upper Moenkopi Village

The UMV Steering Committee will meet the following week. There was a brief discussion related to staff changes at the Hopi Utility Corp. (HUC).

b. Village of Moencopi (Lower)

Robert Sumatzkuku stated that the new board of directors was beginning to meet and get up to speed with priority projects and issues. Mr. Sumatzkuku stated that Andrew Gashwazra would be providing an updated to the board on August 5th. Brian Cole stated that he could join by phone if desired by the board.

c. Yuwehloo Pahki Community

No report.

5. Other Business

No other business.

6. Next Meeting

The regularly scheduled on August 3, 2021, will be cancelled because Brian Cole will be on vacation. The next meeting, therefore, will be Tuesday, August at 10 am MST.

7. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am MST.