Joint Village Strategic Planning
MEETING NOTES
Tuesday, June 30, 2026
10:00 MST
Zoom Videoconference and Telephone

Attendees:

- Andrew Gashwazra, Stephen Jew, Bonnie Secakuku, Wayne Sekaquaptewa, Philton Talahytewa, Neil Yazzie, Juan Carlos Orrego Zamudio and Brian Cole

Primary Meeting "Take-aways:"

- Brian Cole noted that today is the deadline for the RBDG program and he is coordinating with Andrew Gashwazra and Philline Talayumptewa
  - Andrew Gashwazra forwarded the application package to Jamie Kootswatewa
  - Bailey Anderson then replied to all to that email attaching the CEDS Adoption Resolution
- Philton Talahytewa reminded the group of the original purpose of JVSP
  - He indicated that under the current administration it would be unlikely that Hopi would receive $1 billion
  - He also noted the importance of the water settlement and the changes with ONHIR
- Andrew Gashwazra mentioned the previous discussion related to expanding JVSP to benefit other Villages
- Stephen Jew updated the group on the 31 home electrification project which would provide "baby microgrids" to homes that have never had power before
- Bonnie Secakuku noted that her Board has passed a resolution advancing the AML grant application for $375,000
  - Bonnie is working to get information on previous meetings to forward to Olivia Dennis
  - The documentation has been submitted
  - Bonnie also noted that she had submitted her resignation to her Board, but the resignation was not accepted and she remains on the job through September 23 and possibly longer
- Juan Carlos explained the role of Harvard University and the interns and the concept of economic complexity
- Brian Cole asked Stephen Jew if NeRD Power might be interested in helping on the Lower Village Bathhouse Project
  - Stephen Jew affirmed that he would meet with Bonnie Secakuku in the future to discuss possible assistance on the project
- Wayne Sekaquaptewa provided an update on the work on HTI

    - He noted that additional information was provided to the Hopi Tribal Council so they did not approve the action item which sets the stage for HTI to apply for two upcoming funding programs each of which have $700 million
        - One of them is the Round Three program and the other is the Native Entities Grant Program (NEGP)
- Neil Yazzie was highly complimentary of the success of JVSP in assisting the MUA and Moenkopi in general with water and wastewater grant funding
- Andrew Gashwazra and Neil Yazzie talked about the need for long-term maintenance funding even when project receive grant funding
- Bonnie Secakuku updated the group that the budget team has made a recommendation for Village funding for the next funding year

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, July 14 at 10 am MST.