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**MEETING MINUTES  
TRIBAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND BOARD  
Indian Pueblo Cultural Center – Chaco 2  
June 7-8, 2023  
8:00 am**

**Voting Members Present**

James R. Mountain, Cabinet Secretary Designate  
Wesley Billingsley, DFA  
Michael Vonderheide, NMFA  
Judi L. Kahl, NMED  
Mark Thompson, Pueblo Representative  
Bernalyn Via, Mescalero Apache Representative  
Janet Johnson, NMDOH

**Non-Voting Members Present**

Gretchen Tsosie, ABQ IHS

**Voting Members Absent**

Romaine Wood, Jicarilla Apache Representative  
Vacant, Navajo Nation Representative

**Non-Voting Members Absent**

Vacant, BIA Rep., Navajo Office  
Vacant, BIA Rep., Abq Office  
Vacant, IHS Rep., Navajo Office

**IAD Staff Present**

Elroy Keetso, TIF/CO Manager  
Lawrence John, TIF/CO Administrator  
Josett Monette, General Counsel  
Brigitte Jordan, Executive Assistant  
Sherrie Catanach, Public Relations Director

**I. Call to Order, Roll Call**

Chairman James R. Mountain called the meeting to order at 8:16 a.m. The meeting was held in Chaco Room 2, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, Albuquerque, New Mexico and came to order following roll call and establishment of a quorum.

**II. Welcome and Introductions**

Introduction of tribal leaders and honored guests on the call and staff of the Indian Affairs Department.

**III. Approval of the Agenda**

Member Thompson moved to approve the meeting agenda and seconded by Member Vonderheide. The motion was adopted by majority vote.

#### **IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The board approved the meeting minutes from the TIF Board Meeting held on August 5, 2022, by general consent.

#### **V. TIF Project Presentations**

TIF projects were presented in the following order on June 7, 2023

Isleta Pueblo	Tribal Road – 15 Improvements
Isleta Pueblo	Isleta Pueblo Los Padilla’s Tank and Well Construction
Jemez Pueblo	Pueblo of Jemez Community Services Complex Design Project
Jemez Pueblo	Pueblo of Jemez Community Services Complex Construction Project
Jicarilla Apache Nation	Dulce Water System Improvements Project (Study Planning)
Laguna Pueblo	Laguna Rainbow Elderly Facilities Renovation Planning 2023
Laguna Pueblo	Laguna Pueblo K-Campus Community Center
Laguna Pueblo	Laguna Pueblo K’awaika Public Library Improvements
Mescalero Apache	Nogal Canyon Road Project
Mescalero Apache	Mescalero Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion
Mescalero Apache	Mescalero Community Water System Improvement
Nambe Pueblo	Northwest Village Pueblo Subdivision
Taos Pueblo	North Pueblo Infrastructure Plan
Taos Pueblo	Spider Rock Housing Phase 1B2 Infrastructure
Ohkay Owingeh	Domestic Water Study/Community Well and Water Supply
Sandia Pueblo	Sandia Pueblo Child Develop Center Facility Construct

Recess at 12:22 p.m.

#### **VI. Call to Order**

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#### **VII. Amending of the Agenda**

Member Thompson moved to amend the agenda, second by Board member Kahl to change the 15% to 10% allocation pursuant to Section 7 of the TIF Guidelines & Procedures which provides that each tribe may apply for up to 15% of the total annual TIF Allocation for a project. The Board reserves the right to alter this cap based on fund availability and the motion was adopted by majority vote with no objections.

TIF projects were presented in the following order on June 8, 2023

Upper Fruitland Chapter	Upper Fruitland Chapter N367 and N562 Road Improvement Project
Ramah Chapter	Ramah Unit 5 Water Well
Ramah Chapter	Ramah Pinehill Mainline Replacement

Ramah Chapter	Ramah Rocky Ridge Water System Well
Tohajiilee Chapter	Tohajiilee Navajo Chapter Water System Improvements Phase II
White Rock Chapter	Regional Beacon Bisti N9 Lateral Water Supply Project, White Rock – Lake Valley Extension
Becenti Chapter	Beacon Bisti N9 Lateral Regional Water Supply Project, Reach 10.1
Naschitti Chapter	Naschitti Chapter Regional San Juan Lateral Water Project
Standing Rock Chapter	Tse’ii’ahi’ Chapter Equipment Storage Warehouse
San Ildefonso Pueblo	Plan New Tribal Administration Building in San Ildefonso
San Ildefonso Pueblo	Phase 3 Wastewater Treatment Facility
Santa Ana Pueblo	To construct, Equip and Furnish a Public Safety, Judicial and Social Services Complex
Santa Clara Pueblo	Santa Clara Pueblo Emergency Radio Communication Upgrade – Phase II
Santa Clara Pueblo	Santa Clara Pueblo Wastewater System – Village Rehabilitation Evaluation
Santa Clara Pueblo	Santa Clara Pueblo Wastewater System Improvements
Zuni Pueblo	Zuni Veteran’s Memorial Park Visitor’s Center
Zuni Pueblo	New Zuni Fire/EMS Facility

**VIII. Discussion & Approval and Certification of 2023 TIF Projects & Amount**

- A. Tribal Infrastructure Fund Appropriation Awards and Resolution, Notification, and Certification to the State Board of Finance to Sell Severance Tax Bonds

Board member Thompson moved and second by Board member Kahl to approve the 2023 TIF funding allocation amounts of \$67,500,000.00 for 34 TIF projects, and the motion was adopted by majority vote with no objections.

- B. Item added to the agenda to the Tribal Infrastructure Fund Appropriation to change from 15% to 10% allocation to allow additional funding for other projects to be funded.

Board member Thompson moved and second by Board member Kahl to change the allocation percentage from 15% to 10% to allow additional funding for other projects, and motion was adopted by majority vote with no objections.

**IX. Next Meeting Discussion**

The next meeting date is recommended for the month of July to approve a No Cost Extension and the TIF Subcommittee report on the TIF Guidelines.

**X. Adjourn**

Board Member Kahl moved to adjourn the meeting and second by Member Billingsley. The motion was adopted, and the meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

