



Minutes of a meeting of a tribal council of the Indians of the Indians of the Leupp Jurisdiction held at the Leupp Indian School, Leupp, Arizona on May 19th, 1923 in accordance with Regulations relating to the Navajo Tribe of Indians approved April 24, 1923, after ten days notice to the said Indians duly given them by acall issued by H. J. Hagerman, Commissioner to the Navajo Tribe, thru Stephen Janus, Superintendent of the Leupp Indian Agency.

The Council was called to order by Superintendent Janus at 2:30 PM. There were present 120 Indians from the Leupp Jurisdiction.

Mr. Janus addressed the Council calling to the attention of the Indians the reason therefor and introducing to them Mr. Hagerman.

Mr. Hagerman, Commissioner to the Navajo Tribe thereupon addressed the Indians, explaining more fully to them the Regulations of April 24th, and describing to them the steps necessary to be taken for the election of the delegate and the alternate delegate for the first four year term of office as provided by the said Regulations. He dwelt upon the necessity of their selecting the very best men they could for these highly important positions.

Thereupon, a regular organization of the meeting was perfected by the election of Hosten Bitsi Flitsoi as chairman and Eskanad Spencer as Secretary. After due consideration the matter of the election of a delegate to the Tribal Council was taken up and the name of Hosten Begoiden Bega was nominated for this Office.

There were no other nominations. Upon the question being put by the Chairman, the said Hosten Begoiden Bega was unanimously elected by a rising vote of all of the Indians present as delegate from the Leupp Jurisdiction for the term of four years beginning June 1, 1923.

Thereupon nominations for the alternate delegate were called for and Pesh La Kai Etsetty was nominated for this position. There being no further nominations upon the question being put by the Chairman the said Pesh La Kai Etsetty was unanimously elected by a rising vote of all of the Indians present as alternate delegate from the Leupp Jurisdiction for a term of four years beginning June 1, 1923.

After the election of the delegate and the alternate there was a general discussion, including talks by John Nez, Hode chothle, Patchin Thlande and Haki Eskee, and various other Indians present. All of whom expressed their approval of the selections made and their sympathy and support with the action of the Department, its plans for a Tribal Council and the appointment of a Commissioner to look after the Tribal affairs of the Navajo Nation.

After further talks by Superintendent Janus and Mr. Hagerman, the Council adjourned 4.P.M.

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(Signed) Hosteen Bitsi Tlitsoi Mark
Approved Chairman of the Meeting

(Signed) Eskamade Spencer
Secretary of the Meeting.

(Signed) George Greeley
Interpreter for the Meeting

(Signed) Stephen Janus
Superintendent.

(Signed) H.J.Hagerman.
Commissioner to the Navajo Tribe.