

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23RD NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Third Year, 2017

AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE, NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; CONFIRMING
THE APPOINTMENT OF JOELYNN M. ASHLEY AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
DIVISION OF GENERAL SERVICES

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Authority

- A. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 164(A)(9), the committee reviews proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council.
- B. The Navajo Nation Council is the final approval authority for the confirmation of an appointment made by the President of the Navajo Nation to the position of Executive Director of the Division of General Services. 2 N.N.C. § 1253

Section Two. Findings

- A. The Navajo Nation Division of General Services has been established within the Executive Branch of the Navajo Nation Government. 2 N.N.C. § 1251
- B. The position of Executive Director of the Division of General Services shall be made by appointment by the President of the Navajo Nation and confirmation by the Navajo Nation Council and shall serve at the pleasure of the President. 2 N.N.C. § 1253
- C. The President of the Navajo Nation has appointed Joelynn Ashley to be the Executive Director of the Division of General Services. See Exhibit "A".
- D. The Navajo Nation Council finds it in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to confirm the appointment of Joelynn M. Ashley, by the President of the Navajo Nation, to the position of Executive Director of the Division of General Services.

Section Three. Approval

The Navajo Nation Council hereby confirms the appointment by the President of the Navajo Nation, of Joelynn M. Ashley to the position of Executive Director of the Division of General Services, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1253.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona) at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 17 in favor and 00 opposed, this 10th day of July 2017.



LoRenzo C. Bates, Speaker
Navajo Nation Council

7-13-17

Date

Motion: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale
Second: Honorable Nathaniel Brown

23rd Navajo Nation Council

Special Session

Monday, July 10, 2017

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Legislation 0160-17 (Main Motion)

Motion: Jonathan L. Hale

Second: Nathaniel Brown

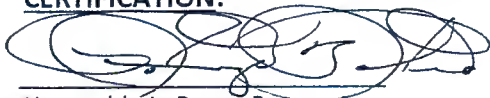
ALL DELEGATES:

	Yea	Nay
BATES, LoRenzo		
BEGAY, Kee Allen Jr.	✓	
BEGAY, Norman M.	✓	
BEGAY, Steven	✓	
BEGAYE, Nelson	✓	
BENNETT, Benjamin L.	✓	
BROWN, Nathaniel	✓	
CHEE, Tom T.	✓	
CROTTY, Amber K.	✓	
DAMON, Seth	✓	
DANIELS, Herman	✓	
FILFRED, Davis		
HALE, Jonathan L.	✓	
JACK, Lee Sr.	✓	
PERRY, Jonathan		
PETE, Leonard H.		
PHELPS, Walter		
SHEPHERD, Alton Joe	✓	
SLIM, Tuchoney Jr.		
SMITH, Raymond Jr.	✓	
TSO, Otto	✓	
TSOSIE, Leonard	✓	
WITHERSPOON, Dwight	✓	
YAZZIE, Edmund		

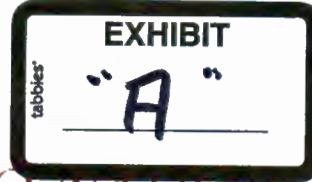
GRAND TOTAL

17 0

CERTIFICATION:



Honorable LoRenzo Bates
Speaker



THE NAVAJO NATION

RUSSELL BEGAYE
JONATHAN NEZ

April 3, 2017

Joelynn Ashley

RE: Appointment as the Executive Director to the Division of General Services

Dear Ms. Ashley,

The Begaye/Nez Administration is focused on building a Navajo Nation that will produce jobs, prioritize infrastructure development for our Navajo People. After review of your resume and interview we strongly believe that you have the experience, education and competence to represent this Administration as the Executive Director for the Division of General Services. This appointment is subject to confirmation by the 23rd Navajo Nation Council.

Thank you for serving the Navajo Nation and the Navajo People. If there are any questions, please contact Karis N. Begaye, Legal Counsel at (928) 871-7812.

Sincerely,

THE NAVAJO NATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Russell Begaye".

Russell Begaye, *President*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan M. Nez".

Jonathan M. Nez, *Vice President*



THE NAVAJO NATION

RUSSELL BEGAYE
JONATHAN NEZ

April 17, 2017

Joelynn M. Ashley

Dear Joelynn Ashley,

The Begaye Nez administration is building a cabinet of educated and experienced professionals who can carry out the four (4) pillars of their administration: 1) jobs; 2) veterans; 3) infrastructure; and 4) elders. After review of your resume and based on our interview, we strongly believe you possess the qualifications and capability to carry out the job effectively and be a part of this Administration. As such, it is our pleasure to extend the following offer of employment for the position as Division Director, Navajo Nation Division of General Services.

We offer the following terms: an annual base salary of _____ medical benefits; deferred compensation; quarterly bonus incentive plan; 401K Savings and Investment. This is a political appointed position and subject to confirmation by the Navajo Nation Council. In addition, confirmation is subject to a successful background and Navajo Nation ethics clearance.

We look forward to your response and joining the Begaye Nez administration. Please contact Mr. Arbin Mitchell, Chief of Staff, Begaye Nez Human Resources at (928) 810.8505.

Respectfully,


Russell Begaye, President
NAVAJO NATION


Jonathan M. Nez, Vice-President
NAVAJO NATION

JOELYNN ASHLEY, MPA

Doctoral Candidate, Department of Political Science and International Affairs, Northern Arizona University

Daytime Phone:
Evening Phone:
E-Mail Address:

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Outstanding productivity both as a grant/public administrator and a project manager. Project Manager going on 13 years of extensive and substantive local government experience in public policy to large Indian tribal governments and their departments, programs, boards, committees, and consultant/ businesses. Managed and overseen the work for projects in the total amount of \$7 million. In control for various clients key 7-10 ongoing vast projects between tribal, state, and federal administrative agencies. Advised the clients governing body, staff and consultants on matters of law (federal natural resources regulations) and policy related to energy development projects. Assisted in lobbying and public relations at local and national levels on key items. Represented the business interests of my client including: the largest surface coal mine in the United States through the vision and development for a new venture energy development project. Accountable for development and management issues for all projects involving personnel/staff, Governmental Officials, Consultants (engineers, hydrologist, planners/ designers, etc.) Sponsored several Council project management teams providing guidance in protecting and developing land, water and natural resources. Administered all transactional work including contracting (such as preparing Proposals, Request for Proposals, review of Statement of Qualifications, etc.), procurement (guidelines for Tribal, State and Federal policies for procurement), project analysis (both Breakdown and projected budget), and project financing (grant writing). Worked with General Counsel to prepare complex legal documents for contracts with outside consultants for various types of projects. Responsible for exercising self-motivation, discipline, hard work, and organization to achieve the objectives of all clientele. Dynamic self-motivated public relation communications between the local village members, the tribal nations and federal agencies. Multitasking for all aspects of any one project through clear specific communication. Many of my past jobs have dealt with tribal natural resources development; however, I am keen to the new vision when it comes to prioritizing projects and working with key officials down from the tribal governments, city municipalities, and county at-large governments. Tribal governments have been my clients and ensuring the mission statement similar to the tribal nation's challenges, goals for ensuring government-to-government efforts are straight forward. I am a well versed person and can work on any job given to me with great pride and success in mind. I have always used that as one of my attributes for having my own consulting business and it has been successful for my clientele and myself.

Work Experience

11/30/05 – Present

Roberson Incorporated

Flagstaff, AZ

■ Title: **Project Manager/Consultant**

Salary: \$150.00 per hr

Hours/Week: 20

■ Duties: Representation from large to small tribal government interests for all clients including: oversight and management for grant writing, being awarded grant and oversight/implementation of project on the ground. Participates in development, management and implementation for all new projects and/or proposed scopes of work. Incorporates self-motivation, discipline, hard work, and organization to achieve the objectives of my client. Responsible for presenting all formal and information presentations to the client from the project idea down to planning, managing resources and ensuring customer quality and satisfaction. Quality control and assurance through active communication through memos, letters and other correspondence to ensure a task/project is accomplished. Preparation of budget projections and analysis through expenditure reports from beginning to end.

■ Accomplishments: Consultant to the Hopi Tribe for 12 years management large complex projects such as Indian water rights projects; on-going Water Rights Litigation; writing and being awarded federal grant funds for a new idea for clean energy development projects; writing and awarded federal funds for drilling and developing safe drinking water for 4 Hopi Villages; Hopi Tribe's Project Manager for the largest proposed project called the Black Mesa Environmental Impact Study (BMEIS) which lasted 5 years; and other small community projects in local Villages. Furtherance on various Indian water rights projects; the Hopi Tribe is on-going with both litigation and settlement upon the Little Colorado River General Stream Adjudication. As a consultant I managed all levels of project management; grant writing to reporting all aspects of grant funds to local, state, federal funding; energy and environmental policy; and planning and development. I worked closely with various tribal entities, state, federal and

local community municipalities on water projects. Managed various projects such as overseeing construction projects to small water projects of policy and budgetary matters; administrative oversight; complying with all local, state and federal rules and regulations. Execution from writing grant, awarded funds to implementation of entire project through construction of a water and sewer project for the Hotevilla-Bacavi Community School. Reviewed and maintain a level of oversight for various projects involving the Hopi Tribe relating to water and or energy development topics with local village entities to the various regional wide communities of Northeastern Arizona.

- Client Listing: The Hopi Tribe, Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council (CPWAC), and Peabody Energy, Southwest Division, Flagstaff, Arizona.

10/20/13 – 07/2016

Applied Indigenous Studies (AIS) Department, NAU

Flagstaff, AZ

- Title: Administrative Associate/Lecturer Salary: \$36,500/yr. Hours/Week: 40
- Duties: Provide management for the Applied Indigenous Studies department maintaining general funds for reporting to state OMB regulations. Perform duties in budget and financial management, organization planning, and related administrative functions. Makes adjustments of fund allotments with balances and deficits for all state funds for department. Insures adjustments are correctly made at the within the department's financial and accounting system. Insures all financial, budgets, obligation reports are updated and transmitted to the funding state program offices. Instructor/Lecturer for the AIS department for various undergraduate courses, such as AIS 101 Introduction to AIS and AIS 230 Tribal Administration.

Accomplishments: Presently, trained in all NAU budget, fiscal, timesheets and human resources software programs. Continuing to work with all the students, faculty, staff and other affiliated clients throughout NAU to collaborate key initiatives for the overall mission of the Applied Indigenous Studies.

9/11/12 – 5/6/2013

Yavapai-Apache Nation Finance Department

Camp Verde, AZ

- Title: Contracts/Grants/Budget Analyst Salary: \$41,600/yr. Hours/Week: 40
- Duties: Provide management for all the Nation's federal, state and tribal funds for all departments, programs and Tribal Council. Maintaining general funds for grants, reporting to all federal and state governmental agencies following OMB regulations. Perform duties in budget and financial management, organization planning, and related administrative functions. Serves as the primary authority on the tribal procurement and budget administrative matters. Makes adjustments of fund allotments with balances and deficits for all federal and state tribal funds for entire tribal nation. Insures adjustments are correctly made at the within the Tribe's financial and accounting system. Insures all financial, budgets, obligation reports are updated and transmitted to the funding federal agencies and tribal program offices. Coordinates requirements of Memorandum of Understanding/Agreements are in compliance for all current and new contracts.

Accomplishments: Presently, trained in all Yavapai-Apache Nation's budget, fiscal, timesheets and human resources software programs. Continuing to work with all the Tribal staff and other affiliated clients throughout the Nation to collaborate key initiatives for the overall mission of the Yavapai-Apache Nation through the Finance Department.

4/02/12 – 9/8/12

Multicultural Student Center, Northern Arizona University

Flagstaff, AZ

- Title: Administrative Specialist, Sr. Salary: \$13.00 per hr Hours/Week: 40
- Duties: Provide administrative support activities for the Student Support Services (SSS) and Multicultural Student Center (MSC) programs. LEADS Center is the hub for the SSS and MSC programs therefore providing special assistants to all internal and external customers/visitors/students/staff that come through NAU. Provide leadership for all LEADS Center operations. Assist all new program participants with required paperwork; maintain student files, ensuring adherence to all NAU regulations, policy and procedures. Plan and arrange events and meetings under general instructions from supervisor, and communicate all arrangements to appropriate individuals. Maintain calendar(s) for all assigned staff, regularly prioritizing and arranging meetings, events, and appointments. Train and supervise all student workers, demonstrating and implementing appropriate and effective recruitment strategies, interview protocols and decisions regarding selection of staff. Demonstrate familiarity in basic tenets of supervision and application of supervision techniques. Provide ongoing supervision of student workers, including ongoing feedback and coaching, and annual evaluations. Hire, train, supervise and evaluate student office workers; maintaining student worker hiring forms, schedules, and time sheets.
- Accomplishments: Presently, trained in all Northern Arizona University's (NAU) budget, fiscal, timesheets and human resources software programs. Supervised training for student workers over job responsibilities of the LEADS Center. Continuing to work with all students, staff and other programs throughout NAU to collaborate key initiatives

for the overall Educational Support Services' programs under the Multicultural Student Center. Continuing to provide support to ongoing changes within the LEADS center for all students and staff as new services are being promoted through the LEADS center.

- 01/01/2006-05/05/09 Hotevilla-Bacavi Community School Hotevilla, AZ
- Title: Water Project Manager/Project Manager/Consultant Salary: \$35.00 per hr Hours/Week: 25-40
 - Duties: Administrative oversight/implementation for the federally funded project: water and sewer infrastructure project; budget management/tracking; narrative/quarterly reporting; final evaluation for all projects; personnel supervisor; public relationship between Hopi Tribe, Federal agencies and local village members; Procurement processes for Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), and the Hotevilla-Bacavi Community School (Fiscal Management Policies). Contracting such as competitive bids (request for proposals; statement of qualifications; project management), sole source; and Project management/completion for final reports, deliverables and final financial statements.
 - Accomplishments: Project management current progress/implementation on \$2.0 million dollar Water and sewer infrastructure project funded by BIA and compliance with all federal procurement/fiscal expenditure policies for reporting.

- 07/29/2002-11/30/05 The Hopi Tribe, Water Resources Program Kykotsmovi, AZ
- Title: Grant Administrator Salary: \$38,000 Hours/Week: 40
 - Duties: Administrative oversight/implementation for fifteen plus large federally funded projects, such as: Grant applications; grant progress; budget management/tracking; narrative/quarterly reporting; final evaluation for all projects; personnel supervisor; public relationship between Hopi Tribe, Federal agencies and local village members; Procurement processes for U.S. EPA (grant conditions per 40 C.F.R.), the Hopi Tribe (Fiscal Management Policies) and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA P.L. 93-638). Contracting such as competitive bids (request for proposals/RFPs); statement of qualifications (SOQs); project management (PM)), sole source; and Project management/completion for final reports, deliverables and final financial statements.
 - Accomplishments: Project management current progress/implementation on \$3.2 million dollar Tribal Set Aside Drinking Water Infrastructure Grant funded by U.S. EPA; \$150,000 current/future grants secured by Water Resources Program to continue U.S.EPA funded projects for Hopi Tribe projects; current/future grants secured by Water Resources Program through Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) of \$500,000 plus, the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) of \$150,000, and other future agencies. Compliance with all federal procurement/fiscal expenditure policies for reporting.

- 05/2001-7/2002 Northern Arizona University – CPCESU Flagstaff, AZ
- Colorado Plateau Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit
- Title: Graduate Assistant (GA) Salary: \$12.00/hr Hours/Week: 20
 - Duties and Accomplishments: Worked with Colorado Plateau Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (CPCESU) as the research assistant and website coordinator. Completed follow-up work on over 140 project grants throughout the Colorado Plateau region. Grant projects federally funded by CPCESU (a collaborative of funds from the various federal agencies: Bureau of Reclamation; United States Geologic Survey; National Park Service; Bureau of Land Management; and United States Fish and Wildlife) were tracked and recorded into an access database for further follow-up and progress reporting. Accomplishments have included grant funded research database; user friendly website to apply or become updated with existing research in the field; on-line current/future federally funded projects; and budget management for all projects.

Education/Professional Affiliations

Northern Arizona University	Doctoral Candidate	Present enrollment
	PhD, Dept. of Politics and International Affairs	
	Masters in Construction Management (MA)	
	78 credit hours completed 10/2016	
Northern Arizona University	Masters in Public Administration (MPA)	
Flagstaff, AZ	39 credits hours completed degree	May 2003

Northern Arizona University Flagstaff, AZ	Bachelors of Science in Political Science (B.S.) 120 credit hours completed degree	December 2001
Northern Arizona University Flagstaff, AZ	Graduate Certificate in Public Management 15 credit hours completed certificate	May 2003
Mount Elden Middle School PTO Flagstaff		2015 – Present President
Inter Tribal Advisory Council (ITAC) Coconino County, Flagstaff		Member 2014 - Present
Commission for Native Americans Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ		2015-2016 Commissioner
Girl Scout Troop #1435 Flagstaff		Troop Leader 2013 – 2016
Puente De Hozho Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Flagstaff, AZ		Board Member/Secretary 2007-2015
Soroptimist International of Flagstaff Flagstaff, AZ		SIF Board Secretary 2011-2014
Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council (CPWAC) Flagstaff, AZ		Vice-Chairman 2006-2010
Moenkopi Water Authority Board of Directors Tuba City, AZ		Vice-President 2008-2010
Tuba City Community Foundation Tuba City, AZ		Board Member 2000 – 2006
Northern Arizona University Seminars: Contract Administration Construction Contracting Computer Training Grants/Contracts under OMB Circulars		Ongoing Training Project Management Public Law 93-638 Construction Project Management Code of Federal Regulations (CFR40, 25)
References		
Mr. Scott Canty	Attorney at Law	
Mr. Eugene Kaye	Colleague	
Mr. Andrew Gashwazra	Director, Office of Community Planning and Eco Dev., Hopi Tribe	
Mr. Clifford Qotsaquahu	Colleague	