



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
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## Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

*Joe Byrd, Speaker*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain Coke*

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Monday, July 20, 2020

4:00 PM

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### CALL TO ORDER

Joe Byrd  
Speaker of the Council

**Speaker Byrd called the meeting to order at 4:49 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Councilor Buzzard gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain Coke  
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

*Councilor Coates attended remotely.*

**Present** 17 - Mike Shambaugh; Mike Dobbins; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Joe Byrd; Victoria Vazquez; Harley Buzzard; Canaan Duncan; Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin and Julia Coates

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**Councilor Taylor made a motion to approve the June 25th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### STATE OF THE NATION

Chuck Hoskin, Jr.  
Principal Chief

### ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*None pending.*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

## Monthly Reports:

Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Chuck Garrett

## OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Duncan made a motion to amend the agenda to include the six items passed out of committee earlier today. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

20-032**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION TO THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS (BIA) NATIONAL TRIBAL BROADBAND GRANT PROGRAM FOR FY2020**

**Sponsors:** Canaan Duncan, Victoria Vazquez, E. O. "JR." Smith, Dora Patzkowski, Daryl Legg, Keith Austin, Janees Taylor, Rex Jordan, Mike Dobbins, Joe Deere, Shawn Crittenden, Joe Byrd and Mike Shambaugh

Councilor Deere made a motion to approve. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-020-20

20-033**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSLY AGREEING TO CHOICE OF LAW AND BINDING ARBITRATION AND AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE USE OF RANK ONE SPORTS WEBSITE**

**Sponsors:** Janees Taylor, Dora Patzkowski, Mike Shambaugh, Canaan Duncan and Joe Deere

Councilor Patzkowski made a motion to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried with Councilor Deere requesting to be added as a sponsor.

Enactment No: R-021-20

20-034**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORTING THE RENAMING OF THE WASHINGTON REDSKINS**

**Sponsors:** Joe Byrd and Joe Deere

Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Councilor Deere requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-022-20

20-035

**A LEGISLATIVE ACT AMENDING TITLE 18, ARTICLE 3, SECTION 18 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION GENERAL CORPORATION ACT, EXPANDING THE ACCESS FOR CHEROKEE NATION CITIZENS TO THE CHEROKEE NATION HEALTH SERVICES EYEGLASS PROGRAM, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**Sponsors:** Julia Coates, Mary Baker Shaw, Joe Deere and Canaan Duncan

Councilor Duncan moved to approve. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. Councilors Duncan and Deere requested to be added as sponsors. The motion to approve carried by acclimation.

Enactment No: LA-11-20

20-036

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CHEROKEE NATION EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT**

**Sponsors:** Joe Byrd, Canaan Duncan, Rex Jordan, Keith Austin, Dora Patzkowski, Daryl Legg, E. O. "JR." Smith, Victoria Vazquez, Janees Taylor, Mike Shambaugh and Joe Deere

Councilor Austin moved to approve. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. Councilor Deere requested to be added as sponsor. The motion carried by acclimation.

Enactment No: LA-12-20

20-037

**AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #15-19 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 - MOD. 11; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**Sponsors:** Janees Taylor

Councilor Taylor moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclimation.

Enactment No: LA-13-20

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Speaker Byrd announced an upcoming Council Retreat and Sovereignty training.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Nofire made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:55 p.m.

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, August 10th at 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.