



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

*Janees Taylor, Chair*

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Monday, August 28, 2017

9:00 AM

Tribal Council Offices

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### SPECIAL SESSION FY2018 BUDGET HEARINGS (8/28/17 - 8/30/17)

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

#### INVOCATION

Principal Chief Bill John Baker gave the invocation.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present** 14 - Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay; Bryan Warner ; Janees Taylor; Joe Byrd; Victoria Vazquez; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mary Baker Shaw; Mike Dobbins and Mike Shambaugh

**Absent** 1 - Frankie Hargis

**Late Arrival** 2 - David Walkingstick and Harley Buzzard

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. [17-092](#) BUDGET HEARINGS - FY2018 COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS  
*Following a motion by Councilor Austin and a second by Councilor Vazquez, Chair Taylor gave a brief overview of the budget hearing process and gave appreciation to all those involved. Cherokee Nation Treasurer, Lacey Horn, gave a power point presentation of the fiscal year 2018 budget and the path taken. Once she completed her presentation Chair Taylor inquired if there were any general overall questions and if not they would then move into each department. Following a few questions they moved into the departmental overviews, questions were taken and clarification was given.*

RECESS

**The meeting recessed at 11:36 for lunch.**

RECONVENE

**The meeting was reconvened at 12:18.**

ROLL CALL

**Present** 11 - Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Bryan Warner ; Janees Taylor; Joe Byrd; Harley Buzzard; E. O. "JR." Smith and Mike Dobbins

**Late Arrival** 6 - Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Victoria Vazquez; Frankie Hargis ; Mary Baker Shaw and Mike Shambaugh

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*Departmental overviews and questions continued.*

*Following the completion of the departmental overviews Councilor Byrd requested additional information on the archives building at the Heritage Center.*

RECESS

*Treasurer Horn requested a ten minute break to allow time to calculate the exhibit A for consideration.*

**The request for recess was granted at 1:57 p.m.**

RECONVENE

**The meeting was reconvened at 2:23 p.m.**

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*Treasurer Horn gave the Council an exhibit A and provided a brief overview of the document. Councilor Lay inquired if the pay increases for the providers would be available prior to the final vote. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired if this could be tabled until the provider increases were determined.*

**Following discussion the motion to approve the FY2018 budgets carried unanimously.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Appreciation was given to all of those involved in the budget process.*

*Speaker Byrd made an announcement regarding to Council holiday VIP and parking*

*passes.*

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion.  
The motion carried at 2:34 p.m.**