



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

*Mike Shambaugh, Chair*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain Coke*  
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Monday, November 15, 2021

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Secretary Patzkowski gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

*Councilors Austin and Vazquez attended remotely.*

**Present** 17 - Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Johnny Kidwell ; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh and Victoria Vazquez

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Councilor Jordan moved to approve the October regular session minutes.  
Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

*Marshal Buhl offered to answer questions from the report provided.*

Office of the Attorney General - Sara Hill

*AG Hill announced One Fire received an award from the Harvard Project. She provided a tribal court update. Porum and Marble City have joined the list of municipalities participating in the memorandum of understand. Lastly she provided an update on the Supreme Court front.*

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

*Ms. Terrapin provided an update on the number of FOIA and GRA requests to date.*

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepton

*Ms. Swepton offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Shambaugh requested an update on the Jay and Catoosa locations.*

Gaming Commission - Janice Purcell

*Ms. Purcell offered to answer questions from the report provided. She announced the next board meeting is this Thursday at the Echota Center.*

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

*Ms. Hendricks offered to answer questions from the report provided.*

#### OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

**Chair Shambaugh stated with the lengthy agenda discussion would be limited to 3 minutes per person with a 2 minute rebuttal.**

1. [21-107](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RENOMINATION OF SHANNON D. BUHL AS MARSHAL FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION  
**Councilor Jordan made a motion to approve. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. Following a few questions from Councilor Nofire the motion to approve carried with no opposition. A request was made for this item to move forward to the Council meeting this evening.**
2. [21-108](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF LAUREN CUSICK TO THE CHEROKEE PHOENIX EDITORIAL BOARD  
**Councilor Callison made a motion to approve. Councilor Austin seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ms. Cusick was given the floor to say a few words.**
3. [21-109](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SUSANNAH PLUMB SCOTT AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION FOUNDATION  
**Councilor Tehee made a motion to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Councilor Vazquez requested to be added as a sponsor. Ms. Scott was given the floor to say a few words.**
4. [21-110](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JEFF LIMORE TO THE CHEROKEE NATION SEQUOYAH HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
*Councilor Legg made a motion to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. Chair Shambaugh announced the process for this appointment today. Councilor Crittenden re-nominated Jeff Limore. Councilor Tehee nominated Whitney Warrior.*

*Each nominee was given the floor to provide their background and answer questions. By roll call vote Jeff Limore received 14 votes to Whitney Warrior receiving 3 votes.*

**By receiving a majority vote Jeff Limore was approved as the Council's appointment to the SHS Board.**

5.     [21-111](#)     A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FROM OKLAHOMA ORDINANCE WORKS AUTHORITY  
  
      **Councilor Smith made a motion to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
  
6.     [21-112](#)     A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CERTAIN HEALTH CARE CAPITAL PROJECTS UNDER THE RESPOND, RECOVER AND REBUILD PLAN  
  
      **Councilor Tehee made a motion to approve the revised version provided. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion to approve carried.**
  
7.     [21-113](#)     AN ACT AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE BUILDING NAMING ACT OF 2021  
  
      **Councilor Crittenden made a motion to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried with Councilor Nofire opposed.**
  
8.     [21-114](#)     CHEROKEE NATION DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT  
  
      **Councilor Tehee made a motion to approve the revised version provided. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Councilor Vazquez requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.**
  
9.     [21-103](#)     AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT 01-15 RELATING TO THE CITIZEN COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION  
  
      **Councilor Dobbins made a motion to approve the revised version provided. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Following lengthy discussion the motion to approve carried with Councilor Nofire opposed. A request was made to move forward for consideration at the Council meeting this evening.**
  
10.    [TMP-397](#)     DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FORMATION OF A TRIBAL PROTECTION WORK GROUP  
  
      **Councilor Nofire gave a background of the reasoning for this agenda item. Following discussion and additional time needed Councilor Coates made a motion to postpone to the December Rules Committee meeting. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Deere made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:30 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

*Taralee Montgomery  
Bryan Warner  
Samantha Hendricks  
Gwen Terrapin  
Chuck Hoskin Jr.*

*Camerin Fite James  
Corey Bunch  
Sharon Swebston  
Jody Reece*

*Shannon Buhl  
Janice Purcell  
Sara Hill  
Tina Glory Jordan*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*John C. Young  
Jeff Limore  
Susan Plumb*

*Teddy Snell  
Lauren Cusick*

*Whitney Warrior  
Susanna Scott*