



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Janees Taylor, Chair

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Thursday, March 28, 2019

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

- Present** 15 - Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Bryan Warner; Janees Taylor; Joe Byrd; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mary Baker Shaw; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh and Canaan Duncan
- Absent** 2 - Victoria Vazquez and Harley Buzzard

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Lay moved to approve the February regular session minutes.
Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton reported on the financials and the impact of the government shutdown. He provided an update on the Hard Rock expansion and the start to the exterior renovation. Mr. Slaton provided an update on the museum and Saline courthouse remodels. The Tahlequah casino is on track to open May 1st with the Bass Master weigh in scheduled for the 15th of May. They have installed additional tornado shelters to keep the guest and employees safe during inclement weather. Chair Taylor asked about the completion of the internal audit. Councilor Crittenden requested an update on the Polk County, Arkansas gaming issue. He inquired about the investment amount. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the status of some information pertaining to CNI requested during the last Council meeting. Councilor Shaw inquired about new

businesses within our jurisdiction. Councilor Hatfield inquired if Oaklawn is privately owned. Councilor Warner gave appreciation for all involved with getting the veteran's nursing home facility in Sequoyah County. Councilor Byrd announced Ms. Miller has the report Mr. Slaton referred to in response to Councilor Crittenden.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Ms. Horn announced the financial statement audit for FY2018 is wrapping up this week. She requested time for BKD to present at the meeting next month. She said the FY2010 budget cycle is soon to begin. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the timeline for submittal to the FY2020 budget cycle.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley introduced the new employees within her department. She provided flyers to the upcoming job fairs. Staff attended the National Workforce Conference. Staff will be attending the National Employment and Training Conference in Durant. The Stilwell Strawberry Festival is May 11th. The Summer Youth deadline is April 5th. They will be sending a newsletter to all of their clients to let them know about their various programs. They continue to work on the Boys & Girls Club backpack program. She provided a directory of all of the employees and programs within the Career Service Department. Chair Taylor inquired about applications for the Summer Leadership program. Councilor Hatfield inquired about the Re-entry program. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the discipline at the Job Corp Center.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Shay Smith announced the first traditional games would be held this weekend in Jay. She provided an update on the VITA program numbers. She offered to answer questions from the report.

CONSENT ITEMS:

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Duncan moved to approve the TERO certifications. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Mr. Reece read the following list of additions from Councilors: Councilor Anglen requested to increase the Sperry Senior Citizen Program from \$1,000 to \$2,000 and adding the Tulsa Cherokee Community Association for \$2,000. Speaker Byrd is adding \$500 to Grandview School. Councilor Warner requested \$1,000 to Roland Schools and he and Councilor Smith are each giving \$250 to SHED. Councilor Walkingstick requested \$1,000 to Drycreek, \$1,000 to Boudnoit Baptist Church, SHS \$1,000, \$500 to Tenkiller School, \$500 to Woodall Fire Department, Heritage Center \$500, New Greenleaf Baptist Church \$500, DD Etchinson \$500, Johnson Prairie \$500 split between Districts 1,2, and 3, Woodall School \$1,500 split between Districts 1,2, and 3 and add \$500 to Grandview school. Councilor Crittenden requested \$500 to Westville Little

League and \$515 to the Jeremiah foundation. Councilor Duncan requested \$500 to the Westville Little League and \$500 to the Stilwell Little League. Councilor Hatfield requested \$1,000 to the Native American Sr. Banquet and \$250 to Sulphur, Oklahoma Elementary. Councilor Duncan moved to approve as amended. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Mr. Reece read a list of additions from Councilors as follows: Split between Councilors Warner and Smith - \$6,500 to each of the following, Webber Falls, Gans, Marble City, Vian, Braggs, Sallisaw, Muldrow, Roland, Gore, and \$12,000 split to the Sequoyah County Sheriff. Councilor Shambaugh requested District 13 DA Office for \$5,000. Councilor Shambaugh moved to approve as amended. Councilor Duncan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve the list. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

Councilor Anglen moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ROADS

Councilor Austin moved to approve with an addition from his district. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Duncan moved to amend the agenda to include a resolution for the 102-477 grants. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

1. [19-023](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #21-18 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 - MOD. 4; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Austin moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [19-024](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #22-18 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 - MOD. 6A;

AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Austin moved to approve the revised Mod. 6A. Councilor Duncan seconded the motion. Councilor Walkingstick inquired if this included the Marshal Service raises. The motion carried with Councilors Walkingstick, Jordan, Shambaugh and Byrd requesting to be added as sponsors.

3. [19-025](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADDITION OF GRANT FUNDED PROGRAMS TO THE 102-477 PLAN

Councilor Duncan moved to approve. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:53 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>Todd Enlow</i>	<i>Jamie Cole</i>
<i>Marsha Lamb</i>	<i>Gaylon Thompson</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>
<i>Kim Carroll</i>	<i>Debra Lack</i>	<i>Cliff Powell</i>
<i>Jennifer Pigeon</i>	<i>Robert Fourkiller</i>	<i>Taryn King</i>
<i>Bill John Baker</i>	<i>Ethan Green</i>	<i>Shay Smith</i>
<i>Shawna Miles</i>	<i>Nancy Davidson</i>	<i>Susan Thompson</i>
<i>Ann Marie Broad</i>	<i>Courtney Jones</i>	<i>Crystal Loftin</i>
<i>Kelly Little</i>	<i>Lisa Kingston</i>	<i>Austin Patton</i>
<i>Danny McCarter</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Teddye Snell</i>	<i>Shawn Slaton</i>	<i>Tahlina Nofire Blakestad</i>
<i>Cheryl Parrish</i>		