



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

*Janees Taylor, Chair*

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Tuesday, June 20, 2017

12:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at noon.

### INVOCATION

Councilor Lay gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 15 - Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Frankie Hargis ; Curtis Snell; Janees Taylor; David Thornton, Sr. ; Victoria Vazquez; Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Bryan Warner

**Absent** 2 - Don Garvin and Wanda Hatfield

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Thornton moved to approve the May 16th regular session minutes. Councilor Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilor Baker moved to approve the May 16th PAC minutes. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

*Mr. Slaton reported on the financial activity for April. They selected the Childers Architect Firm to do the design on the Tahlequah project. Donna Edmondson was selected as the architect to design the Sprung replacement. He reminded everyone of the opening of Sequoyah's Cabin next week. They completed the sewer project at WRD in Claremore. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Walkingstick inquired if all CNB employees get quarterly bonuses, CNI specifically. He requested an update on new economic development in the Cherokee Plaza. Councilor Warner requested further clarification on the opening event for the*

*Sequoyah Cabin. Councilor Byrd inquired about the status of a possible renovation to the Restaurant of the Cherokees. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the possibility of opening a non-gaming family activity facility such as an amusement park. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the timeline for the Sprung structure remodel. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the use of the Woodmark building. He requested the donations list pertaining to the recently passed resolution to be included in the monthly reports to the Council.*

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

*Ms. Horn offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Lay inquired if all accounts within a departments budget are included in the reports provided to the Council. Councilor Baker requested clarification on the tribal historic preservation funds referred to on page 14 of the account.*

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

*Ms. Kelley gave an update on the Summer Youth Program and the Summer Intern program. They have been working with CNB in regard to potential businesses in the Tulsa area. She provided an update on other potential businesses and job opportunities within our jurisdictional area. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilors Buzzard and Lay requested clarification on the Cooper-Flintco relationship in regard to TERO.*

Commerce - Anna Knight

*Ms. Shay Smith reported in the absence of Ms. Knight. She pointed out as of last Friday they have implemented a prioritization schedule for the Mortgage Assistance program until the end of this fiscal year. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Anglen requested the application and prioritization policy be emailed. Chair Taylor inquired about a program that provided \$1,000 down payment assistance.*

#### CONSENT ITEMS:

##### T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

*Councilor Vazquez moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

##### COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

*A new list was provided. Mr. Reece reported a change on the Sequoyah High School request to reduce the amount to \$200. He also announced additional requests for Councilor Anglen as follows: Tulsa County Cherokee Association \$2,000, Rogers County Cherokee Association \$2,000, and the Victory Cherokee Association for \$2,000. Councilor Hargis moved to approve as amended. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

##### LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

*A new list was provided. Chair Taylor requested the addition of \$1,000 to the Salina Police Department. Councilor Hargis moved to approve as amended. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

ROADS

*Mr. Reece reported an additional request from Councilor Thornton in the amount of \$24,300 to the Cherokee National Parks in Sallisaw. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

*A list was not provided to approve.*

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

*Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

*Councilor Baker requested the livestock policy be on the Rules agenda next month for review and possible amendment to allow all Cherokees showing within our jurisdiction be eligible.*

OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. [17-067](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION SECURITY DEPARTMENT TO DONATE EQUIPMENT TO THE STILWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT IN ADAIR COUNTY  
**Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
  
2. [17-068](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #23-16 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 - MOD. 9a; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY  
**Councilor Austin moved to approve revised mod. 9a. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. Mr. Reece gave an overview of the modification requested. The motion to approve carried by acclamation.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Chair Taylor announced the PAC meeting will start in a few minutes.*

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 12:57 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Jody Reece</i>	<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>Jamie Cole</i>
<i>Connie Chandler</i>	<i>Danny Tanner</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>
<i>Suzanne Drywater</i>	<i>Willard Mounce</i>	<i>Jennifer Pigeon</i>
<i>John Paden</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin, Jr.</i>
<i>Kim Teehee</i>	<i>Rachel Fore</i>	<i>Brandon Scott</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Shawn Slaton</i>	<i>Teddy Snell</i>	<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>
<i>Trisha Pebbles</i>	<i>Ashley Dill</i>	