



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Curtis Snell, Chair

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Monday, May 10, 2010

4:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Councilor Snell called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Soap gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Ex-officio member, John Masters, was not present at this meeting.

Present 15 - Bill John Baker; Bradley Cobb; Buel Anglen; Chris Soap; Chuck Hoskin; Curtis Snell; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Harley Buzzard; Jack D. Baker; Jodie Fishingham; Julia Coates; Meredith Frailey; S. Joe Crittenden and Tina Glory Jordan

Late Arrival 2 - Cara Cowan Watts and Janelle Fullbright

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Bill John Baker moved to approve the April 12, 2010 regular session minutes. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - Angela Drewes

Mr. Pat Gwin reported in the absence of Ms. Drewes. Mr. Gwin gave an overview of the highlights in the report provided. Councilor Buzzard inquired why the Salina Dental Clinic was rebid and how bids were received from the first bid process. Mr. Gwin stated he would ask Ms. Espinol to contact him with the information.

2. Real Estate Services - Linda Donelson

Ms. Donelson offered to answer questions from the written report provided. Councilor Crittenden requested an update on the possibility of an auxiliary fire station in Bunch. Ms. Donelson stated they have been unable to reach the gentleman but

are under the consensus it may be a good idea to have a sub fire station at this location. Councilor Fishinghawk requested an update on the Sally Bull Hollow logging issue. Ms. Donelson stated they are still working with the BIA and at this time there is not a forestry person on staff at the BIA. Councilor Jack D. Baker inquired about the lease on the Ancient Village at the Heritage Center. Ms. Donelson stated they are in the process of determining how to do the lease. Councilor Glory-Jordan inquired if the paragraph on the Wills had been provided as requested. Ms. Donelson stated she would try to provide it this week.

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

Mr. Elkins reported all of the staff was up to speed on the EPA's new renovation, repair and painting rule which went into effect on the 15th of last month except the supervisors who had to do an additional four hours of training. The supervisors have now completed the additional training hours required. He announced they will be providing the hazardous materials training next week for the 25 – 30 gulf cleanup jobs. Councilor Buzzard requested an update on the gas station conversions. Mr. Elkins stated he has met with the Department of Energy and will speak again tomorrow to hopefully finalize the agreement. He confirmed these are stimulus funds and must be obligated within eighteen months of last September.

OLD BUSINESS

1. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF TRUST LAND WITHIN THE JURISDICTIONS OF THE CHEROKEE NATION
Councilor Cowan Watts stated after research with the Council Attorney and the Realty staff it has been determined a bigger initiative is needed. There is a need for a probate code, a code for land donation, and a review of the Arkansas Riverbed purchases.
Councilor Cowan Watts moved to table for one month. Councilor Jack D. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR AN INDIAN GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (GAP) GRANT PACKAGE
(Chair Snell surrendered the gavel to Councilor Bill John Baker for temporary Chairmanship.) Councilor Snell moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. Councilor Glory-Jordan offered a friendly amendment to forward this item to Full Council tonight. The motion to approve with the friendly amendment carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Snell announced the next meeting would be held on June 14th at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Thornton moved to adjourn. Councilor Bill John Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried at 4:35 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Pat Gwin

Tom Elkins

Linda Donelson

VISITORS PRESENT:

Todd Hembree