



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

Tina Glory-Jordan, Speaker

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Monday, May 13, 2013

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Tina Glory-Jordan
Speaker of the Council

Speaker Glory-Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

Present 16 - Buel Anglen; David Thornton, Sr. ; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Chuck Hoskin Jr. ; Curtis Snell; David Walkingstick; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Janelle Fullbright; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Tina Glory Jordan; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Absent 1 - Jodie Fishinghawk

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Hoskin Jr. made a motion to amend the agenda to move the State of the Nation address to the end of the agenda and to add 4 items passed out of committees earlier today as new business items 8 -11. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the April 22, 2013 regular session minutes. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CHEROKEE WARRIOR VETERAN AWARDS

S. Joe Crittenden
Deputy Principal Chief

Deputy Chief Crittenden honored Veteran Leland Buckner who is deceased and his eight Veteran sons; Bobby Buckner (deceased), Mosey Buckner (deceased), Alan Buckner, Paul Buckner, Posey Orville Buckner, Gerald Lynn Buckner, Billy Buckner and Vernon C. Buckner.

PRIVILEGE OF THE SPEAKER

Speaker Glory-Jordan stated she was taking privilege of the chair to recognize some young people and their accomplishments. Councilor Byrd requested the Sequoyah High School Principal introduce the Gates Scholarship recipients. She introduced Ms. Augusta Smith our College and Career Teacher who is retiring. Ms. Smith introduced the six Gates scholars for Sequoyah High School this year.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to amend the agenda to move the State of the Nation to immediately following the passage of this motion. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STATE OF THE NATION

Bill John Baker
Principal Chief

Chief Baker apologized for his lateness but felt it was important to attend the Immersion School Graduation. He stated it was an honor to be elected as the President of the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes over the last month. They have broken ground on a new and expanded facility for the Jack Brown Center. Chief Baker announced he recently met with the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture to discuss the Keepseagle settlement and the Cherokee Nation's commitment to revitalizing the role of Native Americans Agriculture place in today's society and the opportunities available for both the Cherokee Nation and CNB. He gave an update on the new tribal citizenship card. During Senator Udall's visit he was shown our successes in housing, education and health care programs. The One Fire Center for survivors of domestic violence has been officially opened in downtown Tahlequah. He remembered Frank Squirrel, who passed over the last month; he was a Cherokee war veteran, a member of our Cherokee Color Guard and retired from the U.S. Navy. He requested a moment of silence to remember him and others who have passed over the last month.

He recognized Council Attorney Dianne Barker Harrold for winning the 2013 National Crime Victim Service Award from the U.S. Department of Justice.

ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Housing Authority - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper announced the next board meeting will be held on Thursday at 5:30. They will start taking application for the College Housing Assistance on July 1st. He gave an update on the Community Shield Insurance program.

Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton reported on February results and announced they contributed over \$500,000 to the Tax Commission. The expansion projects are wrapping up. They received a \$1.5ml contract for CNI. CNI was recently honored as a 2013 gold supplier for the second consecutive year. Cherokee Nation Technology Solutions was awarded a \$5.1ml contract from the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. He gave an update on the CNB employee volunteer efforts. Mobility Plus will host a charity golf tournament at the Muskogee Country Club benefiting the cerebral palsy center in Muskogee. He recognized Cherokee Hills Golf Club employee Jimmy Maurjo for recently being honored as an outstanding alumni at Oaks Mission. He announced they have promoted Cherokee citizen Rusty Stamps to General Manager at Siloam Springs. Currently CNB has 4,415 employees with 73.3% of those being Cherokee, 7.2% other Native American for a total Native American employment of 80.5%.

OLD BUSINESS

1. [13-044](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ROY J. HAMILTON AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CORPORATION**

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to table for one month. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Rules Committee

1. [13-047](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF AMBER LYNN GEORGE AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION FOUNDATION**

Councilor Byrd moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. Councilors Lay, Hargis and Walkingstick requested to be added as sponsors. The motion to approve carried with no opposition.

Enactment No: R-040-13

2. [13-061](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF STEVEN M. WILSON AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION TAX COMMISSION**
- A motion was made by Councilor Chuck Hoskin Jr. , seconded by Councilor Joe Byrd, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unaimously by Voice Vote
- Enactment No: R-041-13
3. [13-062](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF GLENDON KAY WATKINS AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
- A motion was made by Councilor David Walkingstick, seconded by Councilor Joe Byrd, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unaimously by Voice Vote
- Enactment No: R-042-13
4. [13-065](#) **A RESOLUTION HONORING JEFF STANCIL FOR HIS WORK AND DEDICATION TO PRESERVE CHEROKEE HISTORY AND CULTURE**
- Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion to approve carried with no opposition.
- Enactment No: R-043-13
5. [13-049](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE WIND ENERGY EVALUATION LEASES AND WIND RESOURCE LEASES TO CHILOCCO WIND FARM, LLC**
- A motion was made by Councilor Chuck Hoskin Jr. , seconded by Councilor Cara Cowan Watts, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unaimously by Voice Vote
- Enactment No: R-044-13

Executive and Finance Committee

6. [13-063](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINANCIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR CHEROKEE NATION**
- Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. After questions were asked the motion to approve carried with no opposition.
- Enactment No: R-045-13
7. [13-064](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #37-12 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 - MOD. 8b; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
- Councilor Lay moved to approve as amended with the substitute language

included. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The substitute language is the addition of Oklahoma Indian Summer for \$3,000 and the Delaware Indian Pow Wow for \$2,000 under Contributions and Donations. The motion to approve carried by acclimation.

Enactment No: LA-13-13

8. [13-081](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT AND SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION TO SECURE FUNDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE FOR HEALTH FACILITIES

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried with no opposition.

Enactment No: R-046-13

9. [13-071](#)

AN ACT RELATING TO A NINETY DAY PRESCRIPTION MANDATE

A motion was made by Councilor Fullbright, seconded by Councilor Walkingstick, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried by the following vote.

Yea: 12 - Buel Anglen;David Thornton, Sr. ;Don Garvin;Chuck Hoskin Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Dick Lay;Janelle Fullbright;Cara Cowan Watts;Tina Glory Jordan;Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Nay: 4 - Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Lee Keener Jr. and Julia Coates

Enactment No: LA-14-13

10. [13-068](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FOR TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM BRIDGE FUNDING FOR BRIDGE #108 OVER MURPHY CREEK, MAYES COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

A motion was made by Councilor Meredith Frailey, seconded by Councilor Lee Keener Jr., that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unanimously by Voice Vote

Enactment No: R-047-13

11. [13-070](#)

A RESOLUTION CREATING OVERSIGHT AND EXPENDITURE CONTROL OF FUNDS FOR YOUTH SPORTS AND COUNTY LIVESTOCK AUCTION ACTIVITIES BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A motion was made by Councilor Joe Byrd, seconded by Councilor Don Garvin, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unanimously by Voice Vote

Enactment No: R-048-13

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Byrd commented the Cherokee language is very unique in that there are

no curse words or a word for goodbye. Cherokee being his first language and dear to his heart he voiced concern and is totally opposed to a word being created in the Cherokee language for goodbye.

Councilor Walkingstick announced a community meeting will be held on May 21st at Dry Creek.

Councilor Lay announced a community meeting on May 16th at Locust Grove, May 21st at Dewey, and May 23rd at Nowata.

Councilor Hargis congratulated Keisha Worley who graduated from Oklahoma City University recently and will start work at CNI next week.

Speaker Glory-Jordan requested everyone keep Dr. Neil Morton and his family in their thoughts and prayers.

Ms. Dianne Barker Harrold gave appreciation for the ability to serve them.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Garvin moved to adjourn. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried at 7:31 p.m.

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 10th at 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.