



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

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Kevin Easley, Jr., Deputy Speaker

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Thursday, February 26, 2026

3:30 PM

Tribal Council Offices

SPECIAL SESSION CALLED BY CHIEF HOSKIN

CALL TO ORDER

Johnny Jack Kidwell, Speaker of the Council

Speaker Kidwell called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Callison gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain Coke, Legal & Legislative Coordinator

Present 15 - Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Candessa Tehee; Uriah Grass; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Melvina Shotpouch; Kendra McGeady; Danny Callison; Johnny Kidwell and Kevin Easley Jr.

Absent 2 - Julia Coates and Joshua Sam

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Hoskin gave a brief overview of each item on the Special agenda.

26-012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LIMITED CONSENT TO SUIT FOR A TRANSACTION INVOLVING CHEROKEE NATION AND ORACLE AMERICA, INC.

Sponsors: Johnny Kidwell, Kevin Easley, Sasha Blackfox-Qualls and Ashley Grant

Councilor Blackfox-Qualls made a motion to approve. Councilor Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-07-26

26-013

CHEROKEE NATION CLAREMORE OUTPATIENT AND EMERGENCY HEALTH CENTER ACT

Sponsors: Johnny Kidwell, Kevin Easley, Sasha Blackfox-Qualls, Ashley Grant, Joe Deere, Danny Callison and Dora Patzkowski

Councilor Easley moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 15 - Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Candessa Tehee; Uriah Grass; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Melvina Shotpouch; Kendra McGeady; Danny Callison; Johnny Kidwell and Kevin Easley Jr.

Enactment No: LA-08-26

26-014

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLNESS FUND ACT - 2026 OPIOID SETTLEMENT AMENDMENTS

Sponsors: Daryl Legg, Johnny Kidwell, Kevin Easley, Joshua Sam, Lisa Hall, Dora Patzkowski, Sasha Blackfox-Qualls, Candessa Tehee, Uriah Grass, Ashley Grant, Codey Poindexter, Clifton Hughes, Melvina Shotpouch, Kendra McGeady, Joe Deere, Danny Callison and Julia Coates

Councilor Grant moved to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 15 - Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Candessa Tehee; Uriah Grass; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Melvina Shotpouch; Kendra McGeady; Danny Callison; Johnny Kidwell and Kevin Easley Jr.

Enactment No: LA-09-26

26-018

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO LEASE A PORTION OF TRIBAL TRUST LAND TO THE AMO HEALTH CENTER IN SALINA TO THE CITY TOWN OF SALINA AND TO SUPPORT THE RESERVATION UNLEASED PORTIONS IN SUPPORT OF CHEROKEE NATION COMMUNITY, CULTURE AND LIFEWAYS, PROGRAMS OR SERVICES INCLUDING TO LEASE A PORTION TO THE OLD SALINE CHEROKEE ASSOCIATION

Sponsors: Clifton Hughes, Lisa Hall, Danny Callison and Dora Patzkowski

Councilor Hall moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-08-26

26-016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS (BIA) TO REVISE AND UPDATE THE CHEROKEE NATION'S INVENTORY OF TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

Sponsors: Lisa Hall, Clifton Hughes, Sasha Blackfox-Qualls and Johnny Kidwell

Councilor McGeady moved to approve. Councilor Hughes seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-09-26

26-021

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #25-25 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPTIAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 - MOD. 3; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Dora Patzkowski

Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 15 - Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Candessa Tehee; Uriah Grass; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Melvina Shotpouch; Kendra McGeady; Danny Callison; Johnny Kidwell and Kevin Easley Jr.

Enactment No: LA-10-26

26-022

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #26-25 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 - MOD. 5 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Dora Patzkowski

Councilor Callison moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 15 - Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Candessa Tehee; Uriah Grass; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Melvina Shotpouch; Kendra McGeady; Danny Callison; Johnny Kidwell and Kevin Easley Jr.

Enactment No: LA-11-26

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several Councilors requested prayers for the families of citizens who have passed over the past month.

Councilor Deere announced a joint community meeting with Councilor Grant this coming Monday.

Speaker Kidwell commented on the event held today at NEO University where they were presented with a \$50,000 grant..

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, March 9th at 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:43 p.m.