

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Dick Lay, Chair

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Monday, March 14, 2016 2:00 PM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Speaker Byrd called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Warner gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Janees Taylor; Frankie Hargis; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell; Victoria Vazquez; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Bryan Warner and Keith Austin

Absent 5 - Harley Buzzard; David Thornton, Sr.; Dick Lay; Rex Jordan and David Walkingstick

Late Arrival 1 - Buel Anglen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the February 16th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

Ms. Lamb provided handouts for a welcome home for the veterans of the Vietnam war era and a tentative draft of the clothing voucher schedule. She requested any proposed scheduled changes be submitted soon to her and the contact person listed on the schedule. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Hargis inquired about the family caregivers program referred to in the report. Councilor Crittenden requested an update on the status of the Community Youth Grant funds and process. Ms. Lamb commented they are looking to make some policy changes to the Community Youth Grant.

2. Community Services - Ron Qualls

Mr. Qualls gave an update on the status of the ICDGB grant. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Warner inquired about the water and sanitation for the new homes and the existing homes. Councilor Snell requested clarification on some applications for rehab.

3. Housing Services - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper provided an update on the Housing Rehab transfer from the Nation to the Housing Authority. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Warner inquired if they had taken over the homes in Roland and requested any details pertaining to those homes. Councilor Byrd inquired about the placement of the Rehab employees in the area offices.

4. Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn gave an update on the current road projects. He attended the Tribal Advisory Board for ODOT last week where discussion was held regarding the impact the budget cuts they will be experiencing. He urged the Council to call or have the county commissioners call his office if they have any questions about road projects. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Garvin requested additional information about the bats on the Ft. Gibson road project. Councilor Snell inquired about the starting point for the Leach Kenwood project. Councilor Byrd inquired about the Johnson Prairie road.

- 5. Public Comments: Road Issues Michael Lynn
- 6. Commerce Housing Report Anna Knight

Ms. Knight announced they are in the planning stages of doing some homeowner fairs that will take place during the summer. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Byrd inquired about an ANA grant.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 16-028 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS (BIA) TO REVISE AND UPDATE THE CHEROKEE NATION'S INVENTORY OF TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. Mr. Lynn gave a brief explanation of the proposed changes. The motion to approve carried with no opposition to send to Council this evening.

2. 16-029 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried with a request to forward to Council this evening.

3. <u>16-030</u>

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE 2016 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN RELATED TO HUD-VASH RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Councilor Anglen moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors. The motion to approve carried with the request to move to Council this evening.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:35 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Marsha LambChuck Hoskin Jr.Elizabeth OdellMichael LynnWillard MounceChad HarshaJohn PadenCanaan DuncanBilly HixAnna KnightDavid PruittRon Qualls

VISITORS PRESENT:

Gary Cooper Teddye Snell Dianne Barker Harrold