



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

Tina Glory-Jordan, Speaker

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Monday, April 16, 2012

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Tina Glory-Jordan
Speaker of the Council

Speaker Glory-Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Snell gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

Present 17 - Buel Anglen; David Thornton, Sr. ; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Chuck Hoskin Jr. ; Curtis Snell; David Walkingstick; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Tina Glory Jordan; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STATE OF THE NATION

Bill John Baker
Principal Chief

Chief Baker announced he visited a Cherokee family's home which was completely destroyed in the tornado Sunday morning. This family had already been to the model homes and was hoping to receive one, their application is complete and it looks like they will be the first recipient of one of the homes. The airplane has been sold for \$1.58ml to a demolition company based in Albany, New York with the proceeds going to contract health. The comprehensive annual report for 2011 is complete and available online. The elder stipend of \$200 every six months is currently being worked out. Career Service employee and Director of Vocational Rehabilitation, Brenda Fitzgerald, was recently appointed by Governor Mary Fallan to the Oklahoma

Rehabilitation Council. The Job Corp currently has 271 students and is ranked #2 in the country for having facility at capacity. Chief Baker reported we were well represented on Cherokee Day at the Capital. More than 600 school children visited the Heritage Center during Indian Territory Days. He gave appreciation to the CNB employees who put in more than 140 volunteer hours working toward our new ancient village. He requested a moment of silence for those citizens whom we have lost over the last month. Deputy Chief Crittenden honored veterans Robert R. Ladd, John C. Richie, Johnny Richard Sanders and the late Jack C. Ballew.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to amend the agenda to include items 14 through 19 which were passed out of committee earlier today. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Housing Authority - David Southerland

Mr. Southerland announced the April board meeting will be held tomorrow at noon. The 2013 budget submitted by the President for the Indian Block Grant Program is the same as 2011 and 1012. The final negotiated rule making session for the new and revised regulations in NAHASDA will be the first week of May. Several of the new regulations will have a positive effect on the Cherokee Nation. Over 1,000 applications have been given out for the new housing program. Bids are due tomorrow for the construction of seven new homes in Muskogee.

Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton reported the net income on a consolidated basis for January was \$6.2ml and remitted \$233,000 to the Nation in tax collection. He gave an update on the major expansion projects. Cherokee Nation Businesses has been hosting free informative workshops titled "Interviewing for Success". The Cherokee Nation Cultural Tourism is preparing to open the Cherokee National Prison Museum on May 1st. Our subsidiary Mobility Plus is hosting a golf tournament to benefit the Kelley Todd Cerebral Palsy Center in Muskogee. The employees in Roland and Sallisaw participated in a food drive to help the Muskogee backpack program. The employment numbers for the month are 4,063 at CNB with 65.9% of those being Cherokee citizens, other Native Americans at 9.6% for a total Native American employment of 75.5%. Councilor Cowan Watts gave appreciation for the employment numbers. She inquired how the airplane would be accounted for since it was an asset of CNB and then came to the Cherokee Nation. Councilor Fishinghawk commended Mr. Slaton for the total positions hired being 100% Cherokee. Mr. Slaton commended the employees and stated they would be reporting record months for February and March.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

Education and Culture Committee

1. [12-041](#) **A RESOLUTION HONORING STEVEN PAUL JOBS FOR HIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE CHEROKEE PEOPLE IN BRINGING THE CHEROKEE LANGUAGE TO MODERN TOOLS**

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. Councilor Hoskin Jr. requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-49-12

Rules Committee

2. [12-046](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF JOSH KING AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-50-12
3. [12-047](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF BOBBY MAYFIELD AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Councilor Byrd moved to approve. Councilor Fullbright seconded the motion. Councilor Thornton requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-51-12
4. [12-048](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF SUSAN CHAPMAN PLUMB AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION FOUNDATION**

Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Councilors Garvin, Cowan Watts and Anglen requested to be added as sponsors. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-52-12
5. [12-051](#) **A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE, ENDORSE AND PROMOTE THE ALTERNATIVE ENERGY INITIATIVE DEVELOPED BY BRIAN BARLOW**

Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-53-12

6. [12-016](#)

A LEGISLATIVE ACT AMENDING TITLE 43 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED - CHILD SUPPORT; AMENDING CHAPTER 5 OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AND CHAPTER 6 CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES

Councilor Frailey moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclimation.

Enactment No: LA-12-12

7. [12-024](#)

AN ACT SHIELDING JOURNALISTS FROM DISCLOSING CERTAIN INFORMATION IN GOVERNMENT PROCEEDINGS

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. Councilor Fishinghawk requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yea: 17 - Buel Anglen;David Thornton, Sr. ;Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Chuck Hoskin Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Lee Keener Jr.;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Cara Cowan Watts;Julia Coates;Tina Glory Jordan;Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Enactment No: LA-13-12

8. [12-025](#)

AN ACT AMENDING THE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROJECTS ACT AS AMENDED; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclimation.

Enactment No: LA-14-12

9. [12-052](#)

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT 17-10; THE CHEROKEE NATION GENERAL CORPORATION ACT CREATING AN ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Yea: 14 - Buel Anglen;David Thornton, Sr. ;Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Chuck Hoskin Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Lee Keener Jr.;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Tina Glory Jordan;Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Nay: 3 - Meredith Frailey;Cara Cowan Watts and Julia Coates

Enactment No: LA-15-12

10. [12-054](#)

A LEGISLATIVE ACT AMENDING TITLE 68 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED - ADDING PROVISIONS FOR SALES TAX ADJUSTMENTS OF LICENSED TOBACCO RETAILERS

A motion was made by Councilor Jodie Fishinghawk, seconded by Councilor David Thornton, Sr. , that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unaimously by Voice Vote

Enactment No: LA-16-12

Executive and Finance Committee

11. [12-057](#) **A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE DONATION OF A LAPTOP COMPUTER FROM CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES TO THE INDIAN WOMEN'S POCAHONTAS CLUB**
- Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Enactment No: R-54-12
12. [12-049](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #20-11 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 - MOD 7; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
- Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. After some opposition was heard the motion to approve carried with the following roll call vote:
- Yea:** 12 - David Thornton, Sr. ;Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Chuck Hoskin Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Tina Glory Jordan;Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd
- Nay:** 5 - Buel Anglen;Meredith Frailey;Lee Keener Jr.;Cara Cowan Watts and Julia Coates
- Enactment No: LA-17-12
13. [12-050](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #21-11 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 - MOD 3; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
- Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Fullbright seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
- Yea:** 17 - Buel Anglen;David Thornton, Sr. ;Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Chuck Hoskin Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Lee Keener Jr.;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Cara Cowan Watts;Julia Coates;Tina Glory Jordan;Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd
- Enactment No: LA-18-12
14. [12-059](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS (BIA) TO REVISE AND UPDATE THE CHEROKEE NATION'S INVENTORY OF INDIAN RESERVATION ROADS**
- Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Enactment No: R-55-12

15. [12-060](#) **A RESOLUTION OF CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR A RURAL TRANSIT PROGRAM**
- Councilor Byrd moved to approve. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Enactment No: R-56-12
16. [12-061](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES TO THE DHHS, FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES PROGRAM, FOR VICTIMS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE**
- Councilor Fullbright moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Enactment No: R-57-12
17. [12-062](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OKLAHOMA OFFICE OF JUVENILE AFFAIRS, FOR EMERGENCY YOUTH SHELTER SERVICES, AND PREVENTION AND DIVERSION SERVICES**
- Councilor Anglen moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Enactment No: R-58-12
18. [12-068](#) **A RESOLUTION TO COMMENT THE PRESERVATION OF THE NEW ECHOTA HISTORICAL SITE AS A STATE PARK AND CELEBRATE ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY**
- Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Enactment No: R-59-12
19. [12-053](#) **A LEGISLATIVE ACT AMENDING TITLE ____ OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED - PROVIDING A LIMITED EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN PURCHASING LAWS**
- A motion was made by Councilor Hoskin Jr. , seconded by Councilor Baker, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried by the following vote.**
- Yea:** 16 - Buel Anglen;David Thornton, Sr. ;Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Chuck Hoskin Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Lee Keener Jr.;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Cara Cowan Watts;Julia Coates;Tina Glory Jordan;Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd
- Abstain:** 1 - Dick Lay
- Enactment No: LA-19-12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Several visitors in the audience were acknowledged.
Councilor Snell announced they would be having a community meeting in the Jay Community Building tomorrow from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Speaker Glory-Jordan announced District 1 would be having their Annual meeting in Hulbert on May 10th.**

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to adjourn. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on May 14th at 6:00 p.m. in the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.