

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Cherokee Nation Complex 17675 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Dr. Mike Dobbins, Chair

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Monday, May 13, 2024 1:00 PM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Chair Dobbins gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Mike Shambaugh; Mike Dobbins; Candessa Tehee; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Danny Callison; Johnny Kidwell; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere and Kevin Easley Jr.

Late Arrival 3 - Victoria Vazquez; E. O. "JR." Smith and Julia Coates

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Tehee moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Commander Carl Murray reported in the absence of Mr. Valliere. He reported on their celebration of Nurses Week, the replacement of their air handler, their new electric vehicle, and one of their nurses receiving the Daisy Award. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Callison inquired about the number of beds and average patient number at their facility.

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

Dr. Jones reported they began extended hours at the clinics for patients and offer the option for employees to work four days of ten hour shifts. He reported on the revenue, the EOB cyber attack and a survey. He highlighted the volunteer efforts of Wilma's Warriors at the Stilwell clinic. This week is Hospital Week. Councilor Legg gave

praise to the emergency room. He inquired if the new hospital would have inpatient rehab. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls inquired about the current primary C-Section rate and if they had considered twelve months postpartum care. Councilor Deere inquired if we recruit dental hygienist from the University of Oklahoma. Councilor Shambaugh requested a list of drugs available to citizens.

Cherokee Nation Public Health - Lisa Pivec & Dr. David Gahn

Ms. Pivec provided an update from the report and offered to answer questions.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None pending.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None pending.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Dobbins announced the first Native Medical School Graduation will be held tomorrow at the Choeta Center.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Tehee moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:23 p.m.

# STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Pivec Steve Jones Taralee Montgomery
Brooke Neff Corey Bunch David Moore

# VISITORS PRESENT:

Carl Murray John Young Teddye Snell