



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
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## Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

*Mike Shambaugh, Speaker*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain Coke*

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Monday, February 12, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

Mike Shambaugh, Speaker of the Council

**Speaker Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain Coke, Legal & Legislative Coordinator

**Present** 16 - Johnny Kidwell ; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh; Victoria Vazquez; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr. and Julia Coates

**Absent** 1 - Joshua Sam

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**Councilor Legg moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### STATE OF THE NATION

Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief

*Chief Hoskin reported the At Large meetings were held in Florida last week. He provided highlights from the legislation approved for the Durbin Feeling Language Center, the signing of the lease for the new Dählonegah shool, supporting small businesses grants, the heirloom seed program, and the boom in capital investment. Chief Hoskin spoke about Governor Stitt's State of Address, the opening of the State Legislature, Cherokee Day at the Capitol, and items of importance to the Cherokee Nation. He announced the Martin Luther King parades were rescheduled to this Saturday and next Monday. Black History Month will be celebrated on the 16th at Greenwood. Chief requested the Cherokee Ambassadors and the Youth Council introduce themselves. The Youth Council Summit will be held on June 13th.*

## CHEROKEE WARRIOR VETERAN AWARDS

Bryan Warner, Deputy Principal Chief

and

S. Joe Crittenden, Secretary of Veterans Affairs

*Deputy Chief Warner and Secretary of Veteran Affairs Crittenden honored Veterans Raymond E. Cantrell and Johnny Phillip Prather with Cherokee Medals of Patriotism.*

## ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*None pending.*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

## Monthly Reports:

## Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Chuck Garrett

*Mr. Garrett announced they would be reporting on some of their latest recruiting strategies at the next Executive & Finance Committee. They welcomed the President and CEO of the Alzheimer's Association. He reported on the Power of Purpose, and also their participation with Cherokee Nation Public Health in a coat drive. He offered to answer questions from the report provided.*

## OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

## NEW BUSINESS

*None pending.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Multiple Councilors requested remembrance and prayers for Cherokees who have passed from this life over the last month.*

*Councilor Shotpouch announced at the Speaker's Meeting a group from a tribe in Wisconsin attended and they only have one speaker remaining and she is 95 years old. She gave appreciation for our language preservation efforts.*

*Councilor Tehee gave appreciation for the Youth Council and Ambassadors presence and for speaking Cherokee.*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Tehee moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the**

**motion. The motion carried at 6:47 p.m.**

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, March 11th at 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.