

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Council House 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jodie Fishinghawk, Chair

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Thursday, February 28, 2013

3:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hoskin Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin Jr.; David Thornton, Sr.; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Late Arrival 3 - Curtis Snell; Meredith Frailey and Jodie Fishinghawk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker moved to approve the January 29, 2013 regular session minutes. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Glory-Jordan made a motion to amend the agenda to move the old business and new business items prior to the reports. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS** 

1. TMP-250 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - GRAND GATEWAY FUNDS

Councilor Lay moved to table. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. TMP-251 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - CARRYOVER FUNDS

Councilor Lay moved to table. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. TMP-242 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING HEALTHCARE MASTER PLAN EXPANSION

Councilor Fishinghawk requested a status update. Ms. Connie Davis reported they have been meeting at least weekly since the resolution passed in October. She provided an overview and commented CNB has offered to help. Mr. Doug Evans announced the CNB Board of Directors has understood the need from the onset. He stated this is well within the means of the businesses financially and therefore the Board has endorsed participation and a willingness to participate in capital financing. He stated they would be utilizing their line of credit. Mr. Shawn Slaton stated this would allow the businesses to venture into government contracting business. He gave an overview of how the process would work.

After numerous questions and a lengthy discussion Councilor Fishinghawk made a motion to table to the end of this agenda. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. 13-033 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FOR
AN INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (ICDBG) APPLICATION
FOR THE CHEROKEE CORT MALL RETAIL INCUBATOR

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

2. 13-034 AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #37-12 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 OPERATING - MOD 6; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. Mr. Reece gave an overview of mod 6. Councilor Keener requested clarification on the NAHASDA funds.

The motion to approve carried by acclimation.

3. TMP-253 DISCUSSION: STATUS REPORT ON CLINIC EXPANSION LAND ACQUISITIONS

Councilor Fishinghawk moved to table. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## REPORTS:

Chair Hoskin Jr. requested very brief highlights be given on the reports.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Ms. Horn announced the sequestration will go into effect if there isn't a compromise in Washington D.C. tomorrow. She stated the Nation will move forward with a cost containment plan. She provided details of the cost containment plan. Several

questions were asked in regard to the sequestration and the cost containment plan.

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Thornton inquired about the status of the feasibility study. Councilor Byrd inquired if the name of Cherry Springs has changed and he encouraged them to move forward with that property the same as they did in Catoosa. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the cost of the sponsorship of the Bassmaster Classic.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley reported the residuals started two months ago at Job Corp. She introduced John Stroud who will be working in the northern area filling the vacancy of Ms. Dethridge and Molly Pettit will be in Sallisaw. Both Stroud and Pettit were recruiters. Councilor Cowan Watts requested an update on the TERO fees collected. Councilor Cowan Watts requested and agenda item next month to review the TERO fees collection and putting them back into training.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired if there has been an increase in defaults on mortgages or if we had any oversight on the Section 184 loan program.

# **CONSENT ITEMS:**

## T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Chair Hoskin Jr. entertained a motion to approve the TERO certifications with the exception of L&F Construction per the request of the TERO office. Councilor Baker made a motion to approve as the Chair recommended. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# CEMETERY RESTORATION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Chair Hoskin Jr. announced a revised list of cemetery applications has been provided. Councilor Byrd moved to approve. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE**

Chair Hoskin Jr. announced an updated list has been provided. Councilor Fishinghawk requested a correction on Rocky Mountain School to reflect the \$650 to be split between herself and Councilor Hargis. Chair Hoskin Jr. commented there are 4 additions for War Pony, Oklahoma Game Warden Association, Welch Little League and Adair Public School Foundation. Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve as amended. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

An updated list has been provided. Councilor Byrd moved to approve. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# **ROADS**

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

# **OLD BUSINESS**

# 3. <u>TMP-242</u>

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING HEALTHCARE MASTER

PLAN EXPANSION

Councilor Fishinghawk made a motion to table this to Health Committee on March 11th. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Baker moved to adjourn. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried at 5:48 p.m.

# STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Hembree	Elizabeth Odell	Lacey Horn
Diane Kelley	Anna Knight	Connie Davis
Bruce Davis	Jon Overacker	Terrisa Muskrat
Jody Reece	Shanon Buhl	Marsha Lamb

# VISITORS PRESENT:

Raymond Vann	Dianne Barker Harrold	Gina Olaya
Shawn Slaton	Doug Evans	Ruth Ann Weaver
Cheryl Cohenhour	Ollie Starr	Larry Horn
John Stroud		