



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

*Rex Jordan, Chair*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain*

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Monday, March 12, 2018

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Councilor Austin gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 15 - Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner ; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Keith Austin; E. O. "JR." Smith; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Frankie Hargis ; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw and Janees Taylor

**Absent** 1 - Wanda Hatfield

**Late Arrival** 1 - Victoria Vazquez

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Councilor Lay moved to approve the February 12th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - Bruce Davis

*Mr. Davis touched on some of their recent activities. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Buzzard requested an update with the grant for the pine trees. Councilor Warner voiced the need for us to have an agricultural arm. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired about a FFA program at Sequoyah High School. Mr. Davis reported at this time it seems the pine needles are worth more than the actual trees. Councilor Byrd inquired about the study he requested at the Bull Hollow meetings in regard to having cattle on one of our lease areas around Bull Hollow for a cattle operation. He requested that study be brought before the Council upon completion.*

2. Real Estate Services - Ginger Brown Reeves

*Ms. Reeves offered to address questions from the report provided.*

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

*Ms. Sara Hill offered to answer questions from Mr. Elkins report.*

4. Secretary of Natural Resources - Sara Hill

*Ms. Hill reported the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality media crew came to visit and learn about our programs. Our Fish and Wildlife Department co-sponsored an archery event where twenty-six schools participated. They will be doing a demonstration with an electric bus this month. She reported on the grant through the National Science Foundation which will allow students the opportunity to apprentice through the medicine keepers. She offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired if we also have testing for mold. Councilor Byrd inquired if we have input in the National Farm Bill. Councilor Austin inquired about the dates for the Oklahoma Conservation training.*

#### OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. [18-017](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF LAND IN TRUST - LANCASTER 160 ACRES  
**Councilor Hargis moved to approve and forward to Council this evening. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. Following some clarification the motion carried.**
2. [18-018](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CHEROKEE NATION TRUST LANDS TO MUTUAL-HELP HOME PARTICIPANTS IN TRUST  
**Councilor Shambaugh moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:30 p.m.**

#### STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Sara Hill</i>	<i>Chrissi Nimmo</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>
<i>G. V. Gulager</i>	<i>Bruce Davis</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>

*Ginger Reeves*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Tahlina Nofire Blakestad*

*Teddye Snell*