



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Janees Taylor, Chair

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Monday, July 31, 2017

11:00 AM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Baker gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Janees Taylor; David Thornton, Sr. ; Buel Anglen; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay and David Walkingstick

Absent 2 - Victoria Vazquez and Keith Austin

Late Arrival 4 - Don Garvin; Frankie Hargis ; Curtis Snell and Bryan Warner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker made a motion to approve both the June 20th PAC and regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Garrett reported in the absence of Mr. Slaton. He gave highlights from the May financials. They are in their budget season for next year. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on some of the financials given. Chair Taylor commented on the aggressiveness of their budgeting process. She inquired about the transition period of the President having an effect on the government contract short fall. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the charitable contribution list being provided to the Council. Mr. Jody Reece gave clarification on to the location of the report. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about ways to build more homes. He inquired about the debt of CNB.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Mr. Jamie Cole reported in the absence of Ms. Horn. He announced their annual financial resources training was held last Wednesday which included a component from risk management this year. He offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley reported they have completed a review with the Department of the Interior on public law 102-477. She provided flyers for upcoming job fairs in the Mid America Industrial Park, the Port of Catoosa, a construction job fair, and a flyer of information for the upcoming Cherokee National Holiday parade. They continue to work with potential businesses and employment opportunities. She gave highlights from the recently held Summer Youth Employment program. They are submitting a grant to day on developmental employment initiatives and are reviewing another grant for women in apprenticeship. She reminded everyone of the fast approaching Cherokee National Holiday and the National Congress of American Indians conference. She reported the Day Training program will start again soon. Chair Taylor inquired about the re-entry grant submitted.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight reported on their lending. They are in the middle of holiday planning. The Commerce staff has been requested by the USDA to submit a grant proposal for a cooperative technical assistance grant. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the lending amounts for the small business loans. Councilor Lay inquired about the loan jurisdictional area. He also inquired about the funding source. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the Adair County Credit Association.

CONSENT ITEMS:

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Chair Taylor stated a new list has been provided. Councilor Baker requested the \$2,500 to the CNF be removed as it is a duplicate request. Councilor Hargis requested the addition of the 4H FFA Booster Club in Stilwell for \$500. Mr. Reece announced he has the following additions; Councilor Anglen for \$2,000 to the Sperry Merchants and \$2,000 to the Skiatook American Legion Post 13. Councilor Snell to the Piney Church \$1,000, Lone Prairie Church \$1,000, Elm Prairie Church \$1,000, Leach School \$1,000, Twin Oaks Baptist Church \$1,000 and the Steely Baptist Church \$741. Councilor Jordan requested the following items to be split between himself and Councilors Byrd and Walkingstick; Keys FFA \$1,000, Lowery \$500, Briggs \$500, Okay \$1,000, Hulbert FFA \$1,000, Norwood \$500, Shady Grove \$500, Tahlequah FFA \$1,000, Peggs \$500, Grand View \$500, and Woodall \$500. Councilor Walkingstick requested the Olive Baptist Church for \$150 needs to be removed and put toward the Dry Creek community building. Chair Taylor questioned some of the requests on the

list date back to May and show they haven't been paid. Councilor Anglen requested some clarification on a W9 issue. Councilor Crittenden requested to add \$300 to the request submitted by Councilor Hargis for the Old Greenleaf Baptist Church. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

No new requests were submitted.

ROADS

Mr. Reece requested the addition of the Will Rogers Junior High project for Councilor Austin. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the criteria for the sports team funding and possible amendments.

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

No new requests were submitted.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [17-081](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ROADS DEPARTMENT TO DONATE EQUIPMENT TO THE BARON BAPTIST CHURCH IN ADAIR COUNTY
Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [17-082](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #22-16 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 - MOD. 6; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. [17-083](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #23-16 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 - MOD. 10a: AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:06 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Jamie Cole
Jody Reece
Diane Kelley
Cheryl Parish*

*Connie Chandler
Ron Etheridge
Suzanne Drywater*

*Chrissi Nimmo
Anna Knight
Canaan Duncan*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Chuck Garrett
Dianne Barker Harrold*

E.O. Smith

Mary Baker Shaw