



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Thursday, April 25, 2024

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates attended remotely.

Present 17 - Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh; Victoria Vazquez; Johnny Kidwell; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr. and Julia Coates

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere moved to approve. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Ms. Taralee Montgomery offered to take questions on behalf of Marshal Buhl.

Office of the Attorney General - Chad Harsha

Mr. Harsha provided an update on pending litigation. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Callison requested clarification on a tax issue. Chair Shambaugh inquired if the car tag compact negotiations are still ongoing.

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

Ms. Terrapin offered to answer questions from the report.

Election Commission - Marcus Fears

Mr. Fears offered to answer questions from the report.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepton

Ms. Fonda Gritts offered to answer questions from the report in the absence of Ms. Swepton.

Self-Governance - Ashawna Miles

Ms. Montgomery offered to take back any questions in the absence of Ms. Miles.

Gaming Commission - Audra Imhoff

Ms. Imhoff offered to answer questions from the report.

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

Ms. Montgomery offered to take questions on behalf of Ms. Hendricks.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [24-032](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY FOR THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION AND THE CHEROKEE NATION
Councilor Vazquez moved to approve. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [23-065](#) AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE COURT ON THE JUDICIARY AS MANDATED UNDER ARTICLE 8 SECTION 5 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE CHEROKEE NATION
Councilor Kidwell moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried. Councilors Deere, Shotpouch and Coates requested to be added as sponsors.
3. [24-033](#) AN ACT AMENDING TITLE 43 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED AND TO FURTHER ADOPT THE FIRST MODERN DAY CHEROKEE NATION FAMILY PLANNING AND DISSOLUTION CODE
Councilor Patzkowski made a motion to table per the request of Judge Barteaux but requested time for Council to discuss if needed. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Callison seconded the motion.
The motion carried at 1:17 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Fonda Gritts</i>	<i>Chad Harsha</i>	<i>Audra Imhoff</i>
<i>Marcus Fears</i>	<i>Christina Justice</i>	<i>Luke Barteaux</i>
<i>Taralee Montgomery</i>	<i>Gwen Terrapin</i>	<i>Brooke Neff</i>
<i>Ashawna Miles</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>John Young</i>	<i>Teddye Snell</i>
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