

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex 17675 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Dick Lay, Chair

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Thursday, November 13, 2014

2:30 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lay called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Taylor gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Julia Coates; Janelle Fullbright; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis; Don Garvin; David Thornton, Sr.; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 1 - Jodie Fishinghawk

Late Arrival 2 - Tina Glory Jordan and Cara Cowan Watts

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the October 13th regular session minutes. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

Ms. Lamb gave appreciation to the Council for their participation in the Veteran's Day activities. She reported they are busy with applications for LIHEAP, the Youth Community Grant and the Coat Vouchers. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Keener inquired about the elder advocate for the Northern area. Councilor Glory Jordan requested clarification on the Coat Voucher Program.

2. Community Services - Ron Qualls

Mr. Qualls requested Mr. David Pruitt give and update on the Weatherization Program and the Rehab Program. He stated they still need contractors. Councilor Hargis inquired about the Self-Help Program. Councilor Glory Jordan inquired how many homes were being worked on in house.

Housing Services - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper provided an update on NAHASDA. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the new home applicants on the list with no land. Councilor Cowan Watts requested tours of the homes being built in her area. Councilor Garvin requested he look at property owned by the Cherokee Nation in his area for possible new home sites.

4. Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

Mr. Ron Qualls reported in the absence of Mr. Lynn. He announced the traffic lights at Sequoyah High School will be turned on next Tuesday. They will be opening pre-bids for the CNI Industrial Park for some road work. Councilor Garvin inquired about Ross road. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the roads at Sequoyah High School being included in our road inventory.

- 5. Public Comments: Road Issues Michael Lynn
- 6. Commerce Housing Report Anna Knight

Mr. Stephen Highers reported in the absence of Ms. Knight. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on the MAP numbers reported.

OLD BUSINESS

1. TMP-317 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: MAINTAINING TRUST AND/OR RESTRICTED STATUS WHEN BUILDING HOMES

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to table for one more month. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Lay adjourned the meeting at 3:14 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Marsha LambBruce DavisBarbara ForemanGary CooperDavid PruittRob DaughertyRon QuallsCanaan DuncanLinda DonelsonDr. Gloria SlyJohn CompelubeTammy MillerStephen Highers

VISITORS PRESENT:

Teddye Snell Janice Randall Dianne Barker Harrold

Brandon Caruso