



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

Mike Shambaugh, Speaker

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Monday, July 11, 2022

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mike Shambaugh
Speaker of the Council

Speaker Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain Coke
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

Present 17 - Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Johnny Kidwell; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh and Victoria Vazquez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Deere moved to approve the June minutes. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STATE OF THE NATION

Chuck Hoskin, Jr.
Principal Chief

Chief Hoskin reported we are strong due to recent events. He commented on the recent elections and the court decision on Castro Huerta case. He reported on the recent celebration of the expansion of the Wilma P. Mankiller Clinic. He announced he and his family attended the Dwight Birdwell Medal of Honor Ceremony. He commented the Council wouldn't regret confirming the nomination of Derrick Vann as our Registrar. He commented on how proud he is of our Finance Department as they are paying off the debt incurred to build our Out Patient Clinic early. Lastly he commented on the legislation before the Council this evening that would dedicate a

park just down the road in honor of Chief Mankiller.

CHEROKEE WARRIOR VETERAN AWARDS

S. Joe Crittenden
Secretary of Veterans Affairs

Deputy Chief Warner spoke of the great honor and privilege to present these medals of patriotism to the family of Roy Boney Sr., to Leo Boney, and Bruce Jacobs. Deputy Chief Warner announced the Warrior Flight is planned for November this year.

ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Chuck Garrett

Ms. Jarvis reported in the absence of Mr. Garrett. She reported on the world premiere of the first film made at the Cherokee Nation Studios "Land of Gold". The recent unveiling of "The Heart of Claremore" mural was held in Claremore. The next National Treasure to be featured at the Saline Courthouse Museum is Dennis Sixkiller. Ms. Jarvis announced last month CNE was able to reach an agreement with MGM Resorts International to purchase the operation of the Gold Strike in Tunica, Mississippi. She announced Cherokee Nation Management and Consulting received the Vanguard Award for Superior Leadership at the 2022 Global Impact Awards.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

AMEND THE AGENDA

Deputy Speaker Vazquez made a motion to amend the agenda to include items 8 through 18 passed out of committee earlier today. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rules Committee

1. [22-045](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF LINDSEY EARLS AS AN EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE PHOENIX**

Sponsors: Victoria Vazquez, Dora Patzkowski, Joe Deere, Candessa Tehee and Keith Austin

Councilor Austin made a motion to approve. Councilor Sam seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-026-22

2. [22-046](#)

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING A TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION SELF-GOVERNANCE COMPACT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Sponsors: Mike Shambaugh, Candessa Tehee, Mike Dobbins, Rex Jordan, Victoria Vazquez, Dora Patzkowski and Keith Austin

Councilor Dobbins made a motion to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-027-22

3. [22-047](#)

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSLY AGREEING TO CHOICE OF LAW AND BINDING ARBITRATION AND AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE USE OF RANK ONE SPORTS WEBSITE

Sponsors: Dora Patzkowski, Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez, Candessa Tehee and Shawn Crittenden

Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-028-22

4. [22-052](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN LENDING TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, L.L.C., A CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, AND AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Sponsors: Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez, Dora Patzkowski, Johnny Kidwell, Keith Austin, Joe Deere, E. O. "JR." Smith, Danny Callison, Rex Jordan, Julia Coates, Candessa Tehee, Joshua Sam and Shawn Crittenden

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

Enactment No: R-029-22

Executive and Finance Committee

5. [22-049](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE

TO DONATE SURPLUS ITEMS TO ADAIR COUNTY 911

Sponsors: Shawn Crittenden, Joshua Sam, Mike Shambaugh, Dora Patzkowski and Victoria Vazquez

Councilor Sam moved to approve. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-030-22

6. [22-050](#)

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #43-21 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 - MOD. 4; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Keith Austin, Joshua Sam, Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez and Dora Patzkowski

Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: LA-21-22

7. [22-051](#)

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #44-21 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 - MOD. 9; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Keith Austin, Joshua Sam, Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez and Dora Patzkowski

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

Enactment No: LA-22-22

8. [22-053](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF FREDDIE FERRELL AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Sponsors: Mike Dobbins, Rex Jordan, Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez, Candessa Tehee and Joe Deere

Councilor Dobbins moved to approve. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-031-22

9. [22-054](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DIANA STITES ELROD AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Sponsors: Mike Dobbins, Rex Jordan, Mike Shambaugh, Daryl Legg, E. O. "JR." Smith and Joe Deere

Councilor Legg moved to approve. Councilor Dobbins seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-032-22

10. [22-055](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF KATHY ADAIR AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Sponsors: Mike Dobbins, Rex Jordan, Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez, Candessa Tehee, Joe Deere and Daryl Legg

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

Enactment No: R-033-22

11. [22-056](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF CYNTHIA MYERS AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Sponsors: Mike Dobbins, Mike Shambaugh, Rex Jordan, Joe Deere, Johnny Kidwell and Daryl Legg

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

Enactment No: R-034-22

12. [22-057](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ROBERT STOVER AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Sponsors: Mike Dobbins, Mike Shambaugh, Rex Jordan, Joe Deere and Johnny Kidwell

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

Enactment No: R-035-22

13. [22-058](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DERRICK VANN A CHEROKEE NATION REGISTRAR

Sponsors: Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez, Dora Patzkowski, Rex Jordan, Joshua Sam, Joe Deere, Daryl Legg, Danny Callison, E. O. "JR." Smith, Melvina Shotpouch, Shawn Crittenden, Keith Austin, Johnny Kidwell and Mike Dobbins

Councilor Coates moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-036-22

14. [22-059](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF

CERTAIN LOAN DOCUMENTS AND LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY TO THE UNITED STATES FARM SERVICE AGENCY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND THE BANK OF OKLAHOMA IN CONNECTION WITH THE HEIRS' PROPERTY RELENDING PROGRAM (7 CFR Part 769, Subpart B)

Sponsors: Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez, Dora Patzkowski, Melvina Shotpouch, Joshua Sam, Shawn Crittenden, Joe Deere, Candessa Tehee and Keith Austin

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-037-22

15. [22-060](#)

THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF WILMA P. MANKILLER CAPITOL PARK ACT

Sponsors: Candessa Tehee, Rex Jordan, Shawn Crittenden, Joshua Sam, Mike Shambaugh, Dora Patzkowski, Johnny Kidwell, Melvina Shotpouch, Joe Deere, Victoria Vazquez, Julia Coates, Danny Callison, Keith Austin, Mike Dobbins and Daryl Legg

Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: LA-23-22

16. [22-063](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HOSPITAL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez, Dora Patzkowski, Rex Jordan, Mike Dobbins, Joe Deere, Johnny Kidwell, Danny Callison, Melvina Shotpouch and Candessa Tehee

Councilor Callison moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-038-22

17. [22-061](#)

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #43-21 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 - MOD. 5; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Keith Austin, Joshua Sam, Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez and Dora Patzkowski

Councilor Austin moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: LA-24-22

18. [22-062](#)

**AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #44-21 AUTHORIZING
THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR
2022 - MOD. 10; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Sponsors: Keith Austin, Joshua Sam, Mike Shambaugh, Victoria Vazquez and
Dora Patzkowski

**Councilor Sam made a motion to approve. Councilor Legg seconded the
motion. The motion carried.**

Enactment No: LA-25-22

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilors requested prayers for the families of lost citizens during the last month.

*Councilor Coates invited everyone to the At Large Community Meeting this weekend in
New Mexico and Colorado.*

Councilor Austin wished a Happy 100th Birthday to Winifred Dudley.

*Councilor Deere announced a community event at the Owasso High School Cafeteria
tomorrow and Wednesday at the Catoosa Cafeteria.*

*Councilor Tehee recognized a SHS Graduate, Ryan Helsey, who has been selected to
the MLB All Star Team.*

*Speaker Shambaugh announced the swearing in of Registrar Vann will be held
immediately following the conclusion of this meeting out by the large seal in the lobby.
Secretary of State Jordan commented on the Registration staff present to honor their
boss.*

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Crittenden moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the
motion. The motion carried at 6:40 p.m.**

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, August 15th at 6:00 p.m. at the
tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.