



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

## Meeting Minutes

### Executive and Finance Committee

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Thursday, July 26, 2007

3:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

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#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Linda O'Leary called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

#### INVOCATION

Councilman Keen gave the invocation.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present** 12 - Bill John Baker; Audra Smoke-Conner; S. Joe Crittenden; Jackie Bob Martin; David Thornton Sr. ; Phyllis Yargee; Don Garvin; Linda Hughes-O'Leary; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Taylor Keen and Jack D. Baker

**Absent** 4 - Melvina Shotpouch; William G. "Bill" Johnson; Buel Anglen and Charles "Chuck" Hoskin

**Late Arrival** 1 - John F. Keener

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Bill John Baker moved for the approval of the minutes of the June 29th regular session. Councilor Jack D. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### REPORTS:

Financial Report/Secretary-Treasurer Report:  
Tamyse Leake

*Tamyse Leake reported assets are currently at 33%, liabilities are 22%. We are in good financial position and revenue is at 21% and expenditures are up 24% with most of this being in the health and education services. They have completed the budget books and will have them ready for council.*

Cherokee Nation Enterprise:  
David Stewart

*David Stewart they have results of the game purchase decision. The board authorized approximately \$16 million to buy games. They are approximately \$12 million ahead of budget and feel they will continue that trend throughout the remainder of the year. He gave a construction update on the Roland, West Siloam, and Catoosa projects.*

Cherokee Nation Industries:  
Dennis McLemore

*Dennis McLemore reported as of May 31st they have a gain of \$96,800, total sales is \$10,342,000, year to date income ended with a gain of \$1,944,000 and year to date total sales is \$101,447,000. Cash at the end of May is \$7,757,000, Accounts Receivable is*

\$12.3 million, net income is \$9 million, liability/accounts payable is \$8.5 million, and revolving line of credit with CNB is \$15 million. The note payable is at \$502,000 and net worth is \$10.4 million. The next board meeting is scheduled for August 16, 2007 from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Golf Course/Catoosa Casino in conjunction with Dr. Greenhalgh.

Historical Society:

Carey Tilley

Carey Tilley reported membership continues to climb and the program income has doubled. The total people served are up by 30% over what it was last year. They are making significant progress on the long term debt and they anticipate paying it off by the end of the year. Homecoming Art Show is scheduled to open August 25th with a reception on August 24th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and this features the best and most talented Cherokee artists.

Cherokee Nation Business:

Callie Catcher

Jim Carrington reported CNB is in the middle of the capital budgeting process working with CNE and CNI.

#### COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE:

CN Education Corporation \$11,250 Taylor Keen \$5250 Jack Baker \$6000  
Scholarships for students outside of CN

Native American Fellowship Inc. \$2500 Taylor Keen Emergency relief for North  
Coffeyville

Cedar Springs Baptist Church \$145 Phyllis Yargee Electrical Repair

David Miller \$1000 Linda O'Leary Church Ministry

\$500 Cara Cowan Watts

\$600 Jackie Martin \$300 Joe Crittenden \$300

Bell Community Organization \$1000 Jackie Martin \$500 Joe Crittenden \$500  
Bell Pow Wow

**Councilor Garvin moved for the approval. Councilor Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT:

Kansas Police Department \$1114.00 Melvina Shotpouch Equipment

**Councilor Garvin moved for the approval. Councilor Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

#### OLD BUSINESS

None.

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. MFT & MVT Road & Bridge Project Requests for FY2007.

Councilor Martin moved to approve the road and bridge project requests as presented in the packet. Councilor Keen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- 2. AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #26-06 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007 - Mod. 10; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Attachments: [07-108 FY2007 CBA amendment \(Mod 10\) - 08132007 as amended](#)

Councilor Keen moved for the approval of mod 10. Councilor Jack D. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilor Yargee made a motion to amend the agenda to include a donation request for Sequoyah County Emergency Management in the amount of \$4000. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. SEQUOYAH COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FLOODPLAIN

*Phyllis Yargee stated this request is to help fund a search and discovery dive team & swift water rescue team for Sequoyah County. This dive team will not just be for Sequoyah County but for any and all jurisdiction that are in need. This request will be funded from the general fund budget.*

Councilor Yargee moved for its approval and to add it to Mod. 10. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried with opposition from Councilor Cowan Watts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The next meeting date is tentatively scheduled for August 30th at 3:00 p.m.*

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Bill John Baker moved for adjournment. Councilor Keen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Tamsye Leake</i>	<i>Tonia Williams</i>	<i>Ginger Brown</i>
<i>Doug Evans</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Dennis McLemore</i>	<i>Carey Tilley</i>	<i>Brian Collins</i>
<i>Jim Carrington</i>	<i>Susan Ruckman</i>	<i>Shawn Slaten</i>
<i>Gina Olaya</i>	<i>David Stewart</i>	<i>Jim Ketcher</i>
<i>Rex Vann</i>		

APPROVAL / DISTRIBUTION

Minutes submitted by: Gayle Miller, Recording Secretary

Motion to approve minutes made by: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes attested and concurred by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_