



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Rex Jordan, Chair

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Monday, April 16, 2018

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Rex Jordan; Buel Anglen; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Keith Austin; E. O. "JR." Smith; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Frankie Hargis ; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; Janees Taylor and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 2 - Wanda Hatfield and Bryan Warner

Late Arrival 1 - Shawn Crittenden

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis made a motion to approve the March 12th regular session minutes. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - Bruce Davis

Mr. David Moore offered to answer questions in the absence of Mr. Davis. Councilor Smith inquired about the buffalo roundup. Councilor Buzzard requested an update on the pine trees. He inquired if we still have the chipper and the saw mill. Councilor Baker Shaw gave thanks for the Hastings Topping out paperweight. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the Sequoyah Creek Park project.

2. Real Estate Services - Ginger Brown Reeves

Ms. Reeves offered to answer questions from the report provided.

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

Mr. Elkins gave highlights from the report provided. He offered to answer questions. The Annual Environmental Festival will be held at the Pryor Industrial Park this year. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on the Teehee property referenced in the report. Councilor Baker Shaw requested clarification on the lead outreach materials given to the clinic. She also inquired about tar creek. Councilor Anglen inquired about the smelter site in Collinsville.

4. Secretary of Natural Resources - Sara Hill

Ms. Hill reported the EPA released the models for the Illinois River Watershed for the TMDL Study. She also provided highlights on the upcoming environmental festival. She provided an update on the ethno botany and the regional native American policy for fish and wildlife. She, Pat Gwin and Dawnea Squirrel have been meeting with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife in regard to the red wolf. The annual free trash day was recently held at the Landfill in support of the Adair County trash off day. Ms. Hill announced the Tribal Historic Review under the FCC has issued a new report in which they have decided to completely remove the smaller cell phone towers from federal undertaking. In regard to NAGPRA they continue to work with the Peabody Museum of Archeology to have some Cherokee remains returned home for burial. She provided an update on the Keepseagle case. They attended the Tribal Environmental Summit for Region 6 held in Dallas. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the status of a State bill allowing a school to transfer property to a nonprofit or a tribe. He also inquired if the tribe would be able apply for a portion of the Keepseagle funding.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [18-029](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF LAND FROM OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Councilor Hargis made a motion to approve. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [18-030](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF LAND IN TRUST - BECK'S MILL 39.2 ACRES IN DELAWARE COUNTY
Councilor Shambaugh moved to table. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Taylor moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:28 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Taylor Alsney
Bill John Baker
Sara Hill

David Moore
S. Joe Crittenden
Ginger Reeves

Canaan Duncan
Ethan Green
Tom Elkins

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tahlina Nofire Blakestad

Teddye Snell