



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Thursday, March 31, 2022

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Patzkowski gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilors Coates and Dobbins attended remotely.

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

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve the March minutes as submitted.
Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Marshal Buhl reported their special operations team has been very active over the last month. They are in the middle of hiring at this time. Councilor Callison inquired about law enforcement retirement for the Marshals. Councilor Patzkowski commended the Marshals for the youth hunt for foster children.

Office of the Attorney General - Sara Hill

Ms. Hill reported they would file an Amicus Brief in Castro Huerta on Monday. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Shambaugh commented on the meeting the Attorney General's office held with the Police Chief's in Delaware County.

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

Ms. Terrapin reported there are three FOIA requests and no GRA requests to date and none are outstanding. The website has been updated.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepston

Ms. Swepston offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Shambaugh inquired about the Jay office staffing.

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

Ms. Hendricks highlighted some successes including the online employee training courses, the new hire orientation processes and being able to apply for a position by text. She offered to answer questions from the report.

Gaming Commission - Janice Purcell

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

OLD BUSINESS

1. [22-017](#) A RESOLUTION DEMONSTRATING SUPPORT FOR UNITED STATES SENATE BILL 1265 THE "FOURTH AMENDMENT IS NOT FOR SALE" ACT
Councilor Nofire made a motion to table for a month. Councilor Kidwell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [22-023](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHNNIE EARP AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST AUTHORITY
Councilor Shotpouch made a motion to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. Mr. Earp made a few comments. Councilors Legg, Austin, Callison and Deere requested to be added as sponsors. The motion to approve carried.
2. [22-024](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF FY22 SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM: SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND AFTERCARE APPLICATION TO INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES
Councilor Vazquez moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors. Councilor Nofire requested a copy of the application once submitted. The motion to approve carried.
3. [22-025](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF FY22 SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM: SUICIDE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND POSTVENTION APPLICATION TO INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES
Councilor Vazquez moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors. The motion carried.

4. [22-027](#) THE HOUSING, JOBS, AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2022

Councilor Legg made a motion to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. Councilor Vazquez requested Chief Hoskin speak on this Act. The motion carried.
5. [22-026](#) A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE SECOND ARPA SPENDING FRAMEWORK UNDER THE CHEROKEE NATION COVID-19 RESPOND RECOVER AND REBUILD PLAN AND AMENDING RESOLUTION 26-21

Councilor Sam made a motion to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.
6. [22-028](#) AN ACT REVISING AND RESTATING TITLE 26 ("ELECTIONS") OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED

Councilor Smith made a motion to approve the substitute revision provided. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. Councilors commented on inconsistencies and voiced concerns on several different sections. Councilor Nofire suggested another work group be formed. He questioned where the changes stemmed from. Council Attorney Young commented any changes made must go to the BIA for approval prior to the election.

Following additional discussion Councilor Vazquez moved to table for a month. Councilor Austin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
7. [TMP-399](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: CHEROKEE NATION SPORTS TEAMS FUNDING PROGRAM ASSISTANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Councilor Callison made a motion to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. Mr. Jody Reece provided a list of changes proposed by the work group that met this morning. He went over the list and requested they be voted on in total. Councilor Austin offered a friendly amendment for appeals to be submitted in writing within sixty days from being notified of being ineligible. The friendly was accepted. Following discussion and clarification, the proposed changes with the friendly were accepted with no opposition.
8. [TMP-400](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: CHEROKEE NATION JUNIOR LIVESTOCK PREMIUM AUCTION FUNDING PROGRAM ASSISTANCE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Councilor Jordan made a motion to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. Mr. Reece provided a list of changes proposed by the work group that met this morning. Following discussion and clarification the proposed changes were accepted with no opposition.
9. [TMP-401](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: FORMATION OF A TRIBAL COUNCIL WORK GROUP FOR REDISTRICTING

Councilor Deere made a motion to enter discussion. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. Councilor Deere gave an overview and background for the agenda item.

Following discussion Councilor Austin made a motion to form a work group of Council Committee Chairs who are not up for re-election. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The Work Group will consist of Councilors Shotpouch, Crittenden, Dobbins, Shambaugh, Vazquez, Austin and Jordan. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Nofire announced Sequoyah High School student Zack Cooper was selected for the 2022 Bass Masters High School All State Fishing Team.

Councilor Austin recognized the passing of a citizen in his district.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Patzkowski moved to adjourn. Councilor Nofire seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:57 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Anna Knight</i>	<i>Shannon Buhl</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>
<i>Sara Hill</i>	<i>Jody Reece</i>	<i>Samantha Hendricks</i>
<i>Corey Bunch</i>	<i>Janees Taylor</i>	<i>Kevin Stretch</i>
<i>Janice Walters</i>	<i>Howard Paden</i>	<i>Camerin Fite James</i>
<i>Gwen Terrapin</i>	<i>Sharon Swepston</i>	

Remote:
Marcus Fears

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>John Young</i>	<i>Teddye Snell</i>	<i>Jerri Killer</i>
<i>Johnnie Earp</i>		

Remote:
Dana Geib