



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Council House  
17763 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

*Meredith Frailey, Chair*

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Thursday, June 30, 2011

1:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

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### CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Frailey called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Councilor Crittenden gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

- Present** 13 - Bradley Cobb; Buel Anglen; Cara Cowan Watts; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Harley Buzzard; Jack D. Baker; Janelle Fullbright; Jodie Fishinghawk; Julia Coates; Meredith Frailey; S. Joe Crittenden and Tina Glory Jordan
- Absent** 4 - Bill John Baker; Chris Soap; Chuck Hoskin, Jr. and Curtis Snell

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Councilor Cobb moved to approve the May 26th regular session minutes as presented. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Sharon Wright

*Ms. Wright offered to answer questions from the report provided. She provided an update on the grand larceny case in the Adair County area. Councilor Glory-Jordan inquired if the inventory assessment was contracted out and if so the contract amount. Ms. Wright stated it was contracted through the DOI using federal funds. Chair Frailey read an email from the Assistant Police Chief in Pryor regarding the heroic efforts of Marshal John Ketcher.*

Office of the Attorney General - Diane Hammons

*Ms. Hammons as a follow-up from questions last month gave an update on their outside counsel budget. Ms. Susan Work gave an update on the COBELL fairness hearing held last week in Washington D. C. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested a*

*summary in writing.*

Election Commission - Brenda Walker

*No one was present to report.*

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepton

*Ms. Swepton offered to answer questions from the report provided.*

Self-Governance - Vickie Harvey

*Ms. Angela Thompson reported in the absence of Ms. Harvey. She announced the Nation was the first tribe requested to participate in a child care pilot project in assisting in reducing improper payments. She offered to answer questions.*

Gaming Commission - Jamie Hummingbird

*Ms. Tracy Asher provided a gaming update in the absence of Mr. Hummingbird. She announced the May compact fee payments totaled \$1.3ml and the June NIGC payment was \$130,000. Groundbreaking ceremonies were held at the Ft. Gibson and Ramona facilities. This Friday off-track facilities will open at the Sallisaw property. She offered to answer questions from the report.*

Codification - Todd Hembree

*Mr. Hembree wasn't present to report.*

Registrar Citizenship Data Update - Todd Enlow

*Mr. David Justice offered to answer questions in the absence of Mr. Enlow. Councilor Cowan Watts requested the next report include a clear definitive answer as to if the deadlines would be met for the 2013 elections.*

Youth Leadership Council - Todd Enlow

*Ms. Kendall Horton representing District 4 of the Youth Leadership Council offered to answer questions from the report provided.*

## OLD BUSINESS

1. [11-050](#) AN ACT ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NAMING OF BUILDINGS OR FACILITIES OF THE CHEROKEE NATION AND ITS ENTITIES

*Ms. Ragsdale announced she has a draft policy ready to review with Councilor Hoskin Jr.*

**Councilor Brad Cobb made a motion to table this item to the next Rules Meeting. Councilor Joe Crittenden seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.**

**Yea:** 13 - Bradley Cobb; Buel Anglen; Cara Cowan Watts; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Harley Buzzard; Jack D. Baker; Janelle Fullbright; Jodie Fishinghawk; Julia Coates; Meredith Frailey; S. Joe Crittenden and Tina Glory Jordan

Office of the Attorney General - Diane Hammons

*Ms. Fishinghawk stated the election law states an absentee ballot has to be marked in permanent ink and must be notarized. The instructions on the ballot said to use a #2 pencil when marking your ballot. She inquired how it is determined to disregard one part of the law and keep the other. Ms. Hammons commented during the hearings over the past few weeks this question was asked. The Commission at that time stated the AES put to use the #2 pencil because the ballot machines read the carbon based #2 pencil better but will also read permanent ink. This is a mistake, what the effect of this mistake is will ultimately have to be determined by the Supreme Court.*

## NEW BUSINESS

1. [11-083](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RENOMINATION OF DEACON TURNER AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION FOUNDATION  
**Councilor Julia Coates made a motion to approve. Councilor Jack Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.**  
**Yea:** 13 - Bradley Cobb; Buel Anglen; Cara Cowan Watts; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Harley Buzzard; Jack D. Baker; Janelle Fullbright; Jodie Fishinghawk; Julia Coates; Meredith Frailey; S. Joe Crittenden and Tina Glory Jordan
  
2. [11-084](#) AN ACT REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A "PESTICIDE APPLICATION NOTIFICATION SYSTEM ACT"  
**Councilor Cara Cowan Watts moved for the approval. Councilor Brad Cobb seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclimation.**  
**Yea:** 13 - Bradley Cobb; Buel Anglen; Cara Cowan Watts; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Harley Buzzard; Jack D. Baker; Janelle Fullbright; Jodie Fishinghawk; Julia Coates; Meredith Frailey; S. Joe Crittenden and Tina Glory Jordan

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Chair Frailey announced the inauguration for the next term is August 14th and the two days following, August 15th and 16th are our meeting days. She inquired if the committee would like to move the meetings back a week to the 22nd and allow the week of the 15th for orientation activities.*

*Councilor Cowan Watts moved to change the Council and committee dates for August to the 22nd and the 23rd. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

*Chair Frailey announced a Special Rules meeting would need to be scheduled to name and vote on the committee chairs. Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to set the Special Rules meeting at 10:00 a.m. on August 18th. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to adjourn. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:50 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

*Diane Hammons  
Patrick Hill  
Susan Work*

*Sharon Wright  
David Justice  
Angela Thomspson*

*Sharon Swepston  
Paula Ragsdale  
Tracy Asher*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Kendall Horton*

*Gina Olaya*