



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

Meredith Frailey, Speaker

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Monday, December 12, 2011

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Meredith Frailey
Speaker of the Council

Speaker Frailey called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Lay gave the invocation.

SWEARING IN OF DISTRICT 2 COUNCIL MEMBER

Speaker Frailey announced we now have a special event which is the swearing in of our newly elected District 2 Councilor, Frankie Hargis by Justice Darrell Dowty.

ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

Present 16 - Buel Anglen; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Chuck Hoskin, Jr. ; Curtis Snell; David Walkingstick; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Tina Glory Jordan and Frankie Hargis

PRESENTATION

Speaker Frailey announced a special presentation of the Golden Paddle Award at the request of Mr. Tom Elkins from Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs. Mr. Elkins introduced Dr. Delia Hoak of the Illinois River Water Management who will be presenting the award. Ms. Hoak presented the 2011 Golden Paddle Award to Principal Chief Bill John Baker on behalf of the Cherokee Nation and the Environmental Programs.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Anglen moved to approve the November 14th regular session minutes. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to amend the agenda to add item #11 a resolution regarding the W.D. Mayo site on the Arkansas Riverbed which passed out of Resource Committee this afternoon. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STATE OF THE NATION

Bill John Baker
Principal Chief

Principal Chief Bill John Baker commented at the winding down of this very eventful year it brings to mind the blessings of Christmas and Thanksgiving. He announced over 1,600 angels have been adopted from the Angel Tree but there is still a need for teen and pre-teen supplies. They will continue to accept underwear and socks at Cherokee First. He recognized the Mayor of Collinsville and the Manager of Collinsville who have joined with Health Nations to make a law to have their park smoke free. Chief Baker commented in regard to a rumor by saying as long as everyone shows up for their job and does their job they are safe. He took a moment to remember those friends and family whom we have lost over the last month. Deputy Chief Crittenden recognized veterans Jimmy and Robert Bacon who are brothers as Cherokee Warriors.

ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Housing Authority - David Southerland

Mr. Southerland announced the next Housing Authority Board meeting will be held on the 20th at noon. They have been monitoring the movement of housing funding bill. The funding for the 2012 Indian Housing Block Grant has been signed by the President at the same funding level as 2011. He recognized the Community Services employees who worked on the float for the Stilwell Christmas parade as they won 1st Place. He offered to answer questions from the report.

Cherokee Nation Business, Inc - David Stewart

Mr. Stewart reported on the September's year end results. He stated from a financial stand point it was a fantastic year. He provided an update on the current projects. He announced their employees bought approximately 600 gifts for the Angel Tree.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

Community Services Committee

1. [11-125](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO HUD FOR AN ICDBG GRANT; APPROPRIATING MATCHING FUNDS AND CERTIFYING ADHERENCE TO PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS**

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Enactment No: R-82-11

Rules Committee

2. [11-126](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF BRENT TAYLOR AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC**

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. After a few questions of Mr. Taylor the motion to approve carried. Councilor Jack D. Baker stated he would like to make an amendment to the nomination that just passed. The amendment would be that the appointment would be subject to final top secret facility clearance level being granted to Cherokee Nation Businesses and Cherokee Nation Technology Services. Council Attorney Hembree stated since the resolution has already passed someone would need to make a motion to reconsider passage, add the amendment then pass again. Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to reconsider. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Councilor Baker restated his amendment and moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion.

The motion to approve as amended carried unanimously.

Enactment No: R-83-11

3. [11-127](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF BOB BERRY AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC**

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. Councilor Walkingstick requested to be added as a sponsor. Councilor Jack D. Baker offered the same friendly amendment. The friendly amendment was accepted.

The motion to approve carried unanimously.

Enactment No: R-84-11

4. [11-128](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF REX EARL STARR AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC**

A motion was made by Councilor Glory Jordan, seconded by Councilor Fishinghawk, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried by the

following vote.

Yea: 12 - David Thornton Sr. ;Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Chuck Hoskin, Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Tina Glory Jordan and Frankie Hargis

Nay: 4 - Buel Anglen;Lee Keener Jr.;Cara Cowan Watts and Julia Coates

Enactment No: R-85-11

5. [11-129](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF TOMMYE SUE BRADSHAW WRIGHT AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. Councilor Baker's friendly amendment was accepted. Councilor Walkingstick requested to be added as a sponsor.

After several questions were asked the nomination of Ms. Wright carried with Councilor Keener opposed.

Enactment No: R-86-11

6. [11-130](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MICHAEL WATKINS AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. Councilor Baker's friendly amendment was accepted. Councilor Walkingstick requested to be added as a sponsor.

The motion to approve carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 13 - David Thornton Sr. ;Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Chuck Hoskin, Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Cara Cowan Watts;Tina Glory Jordan and Frankie Hargis

Nay: 3 - Buel Anglen;Lee Keener Jr. and Julia Coates

Enactment No: R-87-11

7. [11-131](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF LACEY A. HORN AS TREASURER FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION

Councilor Thornton moved to approve. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. Councilors Lay and Walkingstick requested to be added as sponsors.

The motion to approve carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 12 - Buel Anglen;David Thornton Sr. ;Don Garvin;Chuck Hoskin, Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Cara Cowan Watts;Tina Glory Jordan and Frankie Hargis

Nay: 4 - Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Lee Keener Jr. and Julia Coates

Enactment No: R-88-11

8. [11-135](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF SHANNON D. BUHL AS MARSHAL FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION**
- Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Councilor Walkingstick requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried unanimously.
- Enactment No: R-89-11
9. [11-132](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT 16-96, PROVIDING THAT THE CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL AND PRINCIPAL CHIEF SHALL BE THE ENTITY THAT REPRESENTS THE OWNERSHIP INTEREST OF CORPORATIONS OR ENTITIES OWNED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**
- Councilor Thornton moved to approve and add language to Section 5 (A) (b) to read "It would take two-thirds majority of the Council to take any action pursuant to this Section." Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. Councilor Hargis requested to be added as a sponsor.*
- The motion to approve as amended carried by acclamation.**
- Enactment No: LA-27-11

Executive and Finance Committee

10. [11-133](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #20-11 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 - MOD 3; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
- Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to approve Mod 3 with the \$200,000 for LIHEAP funding which was passed out of committee today. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclamation.
- Enactment No: LA-28-11
11. [11-151](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A SPECIAL GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-ENERGY AND MINERALS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**
- A motion was made by Councilor David Thornton Sr. , seconded by Councilor Don Garvin, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unaimously by Voice Vote
- Enactment No: R-90-11

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several Councilors remembered by acknowledgement friends and family who have passed over the last month.
Councilor Cowan Watts announced she would be hosting a scholarship presentation on January 14th at the Claremore Fair Board building.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to adjourn. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried at 7:03 p.m.

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, January 16th at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, W.W. Keeler Complex.