



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Keith Austin, Chair

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Thursday, April 27, 2023

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Austin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Callison gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin; Johnny Kidwell; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 2 - Julia Coates and Mike Shambaugh

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Chuck Garrett

Mr. Garrett reported on the monthly financials, the Gold Strike Casino in Tunica integration and commented the other businesses are all doing well. He provided a background as to why Cherokee Federal was created and then requested Steven Bilby give an update on the Cherokee Federal Businesses. Mr. Bilby provided his background then gave an update of Cherokee Federal through a PowerPoint presentation. Chair Austin inquired when we entered the top 20 list. Councilor Nofire requested clarification on how contracts are administered.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Janees Taylor

Ms. Taylor provided a copy of the PAFR, she announced the FY2022 is complete and reported on awards received. Councilor Kidwell gave appreciation for the reclassification clarification in the budget modifications.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight reported they have complete the VITA program for the year. Councilor Crittenden requested some bullet points about the Section 184 loan program.

CONSENT ITEMS:

No questions or concerns were voiced.

Mr. Jody Reece announced there is an increase in funding to the sports team funding in this budget modification.

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

ROADS

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

SPECIAL PROJECTS

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [23-020](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #29-22 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 - MOD. 6; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Callison moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [23-021](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #30-22 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 - MOD. 7; AND

DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley reported on the Summer Youth Program which started this Tuesday, they will take applications until May 19th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Patzkowski moved to adjourn. Councilor Callison seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:55 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Ami Sams
Janees Taylor
Jody Reece*

*Becca Isbell
Anna Knight*

*Taralee Montgomery
Samantha Hendricks*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Teddy Snell
Steven Bilby*

John Young

Chuck Garrett