



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Council House
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Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Tina Glory-Jordan, Acting Chair

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Monday, January 16, 2012

2:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Councilor Glory-Jordan called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Walkingstick gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Curtis Snell; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Tina Glory Jordan; Julia Coates; Jodie Fishinghawk; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Frankie Hargis

Late Arrival 5 - Buel Anglen; David Thornton, Sr. ; Janelle Fullbright; Cara Cowan Watts and Chuck Hoskin Jr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to approve the December 12th regular session minutes. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

Ms. Lamb announced they have received an additional increase in LIHEAP funding in the amount of \$450,449.00 for a total of \$979,791.00. This will allow them to help the elderly, disabled and provide a cooling program for the summer but will not allow a supplemental payment to be made. Councilor Fishinghawk requested an update on the coat vouchers. Ms. Lamb announced the new LIHEAP blankets will be available in approximately two months. They do have some of the previous blankets with the NSU Seminary for sale at this time. The Nowata nutrition site will have a walk through Thursday with an opening at the end of the month. They are waiting on bids to begin the process at the Collinsville nutrition site. Councilor Cowan Watts requested the District 5 Councilors be emailed following the scheduled meeting with the findings in regard to the Collinsville nutrition site. Ms. Lamb announced they are now taking bids for the CDC in Stilwell. She provided a report for the Angel Tree showing the numbers served by county. She commented they are looking at doing

the Angel Tree differently next year. Ms. Lamb provided a report on the clothing vouchers. She provided an update on the Veteran's center. She announced the Human Services department is doing a customer service satisfaction survey for the month of September.

2. Community Services - David Southerland

3. Housing Services - David Southerland

Mr. Southerland gave the disclosures for the month. He reported they are looking to set up the low rent housing, the home ownership program, and the new development of homes under the Housing Authority. The Board approved Mr. Southerland to locate an attorney to provide direction. They intend to use the Cherokee Nation financial programs and reporting. A special board meeting will be set within the next two weeks to revise the procurement policy and to set up a development budget. Councilor Snell inquired if the new housing program would allow the local schools to participate in impact aide program.

4. Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn requested direction in regard to how to split the tribally funded roads monies with the new 5 Districts. Councilor Hoskin Jr. commented the issue may become more complicated before it gets better as we will soon be going to 15 Districts.

5. Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

6. Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight gave a few highlights from the report provided. She commented they are gearing up for tax preparation season. They will be moving their Collinsville office into shared space with the tag office. She offered to answer questions from the report provided.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending

NEW BUSINESS

1. [12-004](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REVISION OF THE FY 2012 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN
Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. Handouts of the changes were provided. He gave an overview of the summary of changes presented. Councilor Cowan Watts requested a list of where our current rental units are located, how many we have and their average occupancy rate over the last five years. After several additional questions Councilor Walkingstick called for the question.

The motion to approve carried with no opposition.

2. [12-005](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO ADMINISTRATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FOR AN ANA-SEDS GRANT; APPROPRIATING MATCHING FUNDS AND CERTIFYING ADHERENCE TO PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Rick Gassaway gave an overview of the grant application. Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve. Councilor Lay seconded the motion. The motion carried with a request to move forward to Council tonight.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Glory-Jordan announced the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 13th at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Thornton moved to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:05 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Marsha Lamb</i>	<i>Anna Knight</i>	<i>Michael Lynn</i>
<i>David Southerland</i>	<i>Gary Cooper</i>	<i>Rick Gassaway</i>
<i>Amy Woodruff</i>	<i>Doug Evans</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Raymond Vann</i>	<i>Charles Dry</i>	<i>Todd Hembree</i>
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