

## **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

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# Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Joe Byrd, Chair

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Thursday, October 30, 2014

1:00 PM

**Tribal Council Offices** 

## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Byrd called the meeting to order at 1:17 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Snell gave the invocation.

## ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Cara Cowan Watts; Tina Glory Jordan; Janelle Fullbright; Dick Lay; Lee Keener Jr.; David Walkingstick; Julia Coates; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Don Garvin; Frankie Hargis; Curtis Snell; Janees Taylor; David

Thornton, Sr. and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 1 - Harley Buzzard

Late Arrival 1 - Jodie Fishinghawk

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker moved to approve the September 25th regular session minutes. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## REPORTS:

Councilor Glory Jordan requested due to the lengthy agenda the reports be waived and stand on their written reports submitted. Councilor Cowan Watts made a motion to accept the written reports with the exception of the Gaming Commission and the Marshal Service. Councilor Glory Jordan seconded the motion with a friendly amendment for the report to follow the new business items. The motion carried.

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Office of the Attorney General - Todd Hembree

Codification - Todd Hembree

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepston

Self-Governance - Vickie Hanvey

Gaming Commission - Jamie Hummingbird

Human Resources - Nason Morton

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None pending.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. 14-097 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JAMES AMOS AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Councilor Fullbright moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. All Councilors with the exception of Coates and Keener requested to be added as sponsors. After questions were asked the motion for approval carried.

2. 14-098 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF J. ANTHONY YATES AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

Councilor Fullbright moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. All Councilors with the exception of Councilors Keener and Coates requested to be added as sponsors. After questions were asked of Mr. Yates the motion to approve carried with no opposition.

3. 14-099 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL WATKINS, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC

Councilor Glory Jordan moved to approve the revised resolution provided. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion and requested to be added as a sponsor. After some discussion was held the motion to approve carried with Councilors Coates and Cowan Watts abstaining.

4. 14-100 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF BUCK CHARLES GEORGE, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEORKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC

Councilor Thornton moved to approve the revised resolution provided.

Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. Councilors Thornton,

Walkingstick, Byrd, Snell, Hargis, Vazquez and Fishinghawk requested to be added as sponsors. After discussion was held and questions were asked of Mr. George the motion to approve carried with Councilor Coates abstaining.

5.	<u>14-101</u>	A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF BOB BERRY, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC
		Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve the revised resolution. Councilor Glory Jordan seconded the motion. Councilors Hargis and Fishinghawk requested to be added as sponsors. Following questions of Mr. Berry the motion to approve carried with Councilors Coates, Cowan Watts and Keener opposed.
6.	14-102	A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF BRENT TAYLOR, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC
		Councilor Glory Jordan moved to approve the revised resolution. Councilor Hargis requested to be added as a sponsor. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. Following discussion the motion to approve carried with Councilors Garvin, Keener, Coates and Cowan Watts opposed and Councilor Taylor abstaining.
7.	<u>14-103</u>	A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF HAROLD "SAM" RAY HART, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC
		Councilor Fullbright moved to approve the revised resolution. Councilor Hargis requested to be added as a sponsor. Councilor Glory Jordan seconded the motion. Following discussion the motion to approve carried with Councilor Coates abstaining.
8.	<u>14-104</u>	A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF GARY COOPER, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC
		Councilor Glory Jordan moved to approve the revised resolution. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion and requested to be added as a sponsor. Following discussion the motion to approve carried with Councilor Coates abstaining.
9.	<u>14-105</u>	A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPONTMENT OF JERRY HOLDERBY, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC
		Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve the revised resolution. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. Councilors Hargis, Walkingstick, Thornton, Fishinghawk and Fullbright requested to be added as sponsors. The motion to approve carried with Councilor Coates abstaining.
10.	<u>14-106</u>	A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DEACON TURNER, AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC
		Councilor Hargis moved to approve the revised resolution. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. Councilor Hargis requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion to approve carried with Councilor Coates abstaining.
11.	14-107	A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MAXIE THOMPSON AS AN EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION
		Councilor Glory Jordan announced she received a resignation letter from Mr. Austin and stated this appointment is to fill the remainder of that appointment. She made a motion to nominate Mr. Maxie Thompson for this position on the Editorial Board. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion. After questions to Mr. Thompson and discussion was held the motion carried with Councilors Coates, Keener and Cowan Watts opposed.

## 12. <u>TMP-320</u>

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: GUIDELINES FOR DISTRICT COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND MAIL OUT EXPENSES USING CHEROKEE NATION FUNDS

Councilor Glory Jordan commented this has been placed on the agenda as a gentle reminder of the policies for community meetings especially during political season. She moved to table this item. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Mr. Tanner addressed questions of Councilor Cowan Watts regarding K2.

Chair Byrd recognized former Councilor Melvina Shotpouch.

Gaming Commission - Jamie Hummingbird

Mr. Hummingbird gave an update on the recently held Oklahoma Tribal Gaming Regulator's Conference. He provided an update on the Ft. Gibson issue recently. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the implementation of the letter received from the NIGC. She requested a section be added to the monthly report on the status of the implementation. Councilor Taylor inquired about the impact of the mergers and buyouts of the machine vendors. Councilor Thornton inquired about the trainer Liz Homer. Chair Byrd inquired about us becoming self-regulated and the cost. Councilor Glory Jordan requested clarification of the letter provided along with the process. Councilor Glory Jordan requested a report next month if anyone had consulted with the NIGC from the Gaming Commission staff regarding the application or the terms of the letter.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Thornton moved to adjourn. Councilor Glory Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:08 p.m.

## STAFF PRESENT:

Canaan Duncan	Vickie Hanvey	Jamie Hummingbird
Todd Hembree	Kelly Myers	Jami Custer
Chuck Hoskin Jr.	Nason Morton	Rhonda Trumbla
Tracy Asher	Danny Tanner	

## VISITORS PRESENT:

Dianne Barker Harrold	Maxie Thompson	Gary Cooper
Buck George	Jerry Holderby	Shawn Slaton
Teddye Snell	Dan Carter	Anthony Yates
Bob Berry	Linda Flores	Melvina Shotpouch