



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Janees Taylor, Chair

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Thursday, August 27, 2020

3:30 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 3:55 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Austin gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez; Harley Buzzard; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mary Baker Shaw; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh; Canaan Duncan; Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Joe Deere; Keith Austin and Julia Coates

Late Arrival 2 - Joe Byrd and Dora Patzkowski

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere moved to approve the July regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Tralynna Scott

Treasurer Scott offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Shay Smith offered to answer questions from the report provided. She gave an overview of the upcoming virtual holiday. Chair Taylor inquired about Oklahoma being given funding to disburse to businesses effected by COVID-19.

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Chuck Garrett

Mr. Garrett reported they are still overcoming the effects of the pandemic. All operations are open at this time. He provided an update on the federal contracting business. They are offering free COVID testing for all employees and their family member over the age of fourteen. The Saline Courthouse Museum is now open. They will be hosting drive in movie nights during the holiday at the One Fire Field. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Nofire inquired about a property purchase in Vinita. Councilor Dobbins requested an update on gaming in Arkansas.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Chair Taylor let Ms. Kelley's report stand.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Chair Taylor requested the consent items be approved in Toto. Councilor Duncan made the motion to approve all consent items in Toto. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried. Councilor Shambaugh made a motion to amend to add three road projects. The friendly amendment was accepted.

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. [20-049](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #14-19 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 - MOD. 3; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Deere made a motion to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. [20-047](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #15-19 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 - MOD. 12; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Jordan made a motion to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:13 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Taralee Montgomery *Chrissi Nimmo* *Todd Enlow*

Remote:

Shay Smith *Michael Lynn* *Tralynna Scott*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tim Brown *Teddye Snell*

Remote:

Chuck Garrett