

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Cherokee Nation Complex 17675 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jodie Fishinghawk, Chair

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Thursday, November 13, 2014

10:30 AM

**Tribal Council Offices** 

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Fullbright gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Don Garvin; Frankie Hargis; Janees Taylor; David Thornton, Sr. and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 1 - Jodie Fishinghawk

Late Arrival 3 - Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Curtis Snell

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Taylor requested the date for the PAC sub be changed to October 30th from October 13th as stated on the minutes (Upon research of the PAC sub meeting held in October the correct date is the 13th, therefore the date shouldn't be changed to the 30th as motioned). Councilor Garvin moved to approve the October 30th minutes as requested. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton reported on the September results as well as the year end. He gave an update on the current clinic and casino construction projects. He announced they worked with Sequoyah High School and was able to supply the dorms with commercial washers and dryers. He offered to answer questions from the reports

provided. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about a timeline for the Tahlequah Cherokee Springs project and the outlet mall project. She inquired how the Woodmark building would be utilized now. Councilor Coates inquired if the land has been placed in trust for the Tahlequah Cherokee Plaza. She also inquired if there is an alternate plan if the outlet mall doesn't work out to offset the new Margaretville.

Speaker Glory Jordan announced to the Council if they didn't have an exemption on file for the random drug testing the drug testers are here set up and ready.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Ms. Horn offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley announced they have construction fairs going on today in Councilor Lay's District. She commented there are upcoming fairs in Jay and Stilwell. She reported they have been working closely with the employees of the soon ending TRG project. She gave an update on the upcoming job possibilities in the area. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Hargis inquired when the Stilwell office would be updated. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the pay scale for the Macy's project.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Mr. Stephen Highers offered to answer questions from the report provided during the absence of Ms. Knight.

# **CONSENT ITEMS:**

### T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CEMETERY RESTORATION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Councilor Fullbright requested the addition of the Barber Cemetery in Sequoyah County. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

A revised community assistance list was provided. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. Councilor Glory Jordan requested the addition of Hulbert FFA for \$1,000 split three ways between herself and Councilors Byrd and Walkingstick. The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Mr. Jody Reece gave an overview of the submitted request. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**ROADS** 

No new requests were submitted.

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

No new requests were submitted.

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

No new requests were submitted.

### AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Fullbright moved to amend the agenda to include a resolution donating surplus office equipment to the Moffett Police department. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

14-114

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO MOFFETT POLICE DEPARTMENT IN SEQUOYAH COUNTY

Councilor Fullbright moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried to forward to full Council this evening.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None pending.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. <u>14-113</u>

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #25-14 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015 - MOD. 3a; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Reece gave an overview of the proposed Mod. 3a. Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve and forward to full Council this evening. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion.

### AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Lay requested to go back to the Community Assistance requests. Councilor Glory Jordan moved to amend the agenda to reconsider the Community Assistance. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE** 

Councilor Lay made a made a motion to add and approve \$2,000 to the Bartlesville Rotary. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion

carried.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Taylor announced Thanksgiving lunch will be provided today at the Head Start at 11:30.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried at 11:18 a.m.

# STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Hembree	Lacey Horn	Jody Reece
Shannon Buhl	Tom Elkins	Canaan Duncan
Chuck Hokin Jr.	Sara Hill	Connie Chandler
Diane Kelley	Jamie Cole	Laura Adair

# VISITORS PRESENT:

Shawn Slaton	Teddye Snell	Dianne Barker Harrold
Gina Olaya		