



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

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Thursday, September 29, 2011

1:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Anglen called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Keener gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Bill John Baker; Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin, Jr.; Curtis Snell; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Cara Cowan Watts; Jodie Fishinghawk; Tina Glory Jordan; Janelle Fullbright; Dick Lay; Lee Keener Jr. and David Walkingstick

Late Arrival 2 - David Thornton Sr. and Julia Coates

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Sharon Wright

Mr. Pat Ragsdale reported Ms. Wright is out on medical and offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Councilor Garvin made a motion to amend the agenda to have discussion and possible action in regard to the voting places during this election. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion failed with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 7 - Buel Anglen; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Cara Cowan Watts; Janelle Fullbright; Lee Keener Jr. and Julia Coates

Nay: 7 - Bill John Baker; Chuck Hoskin, Jr. ; Curtis Snell; Jodie Fishinghawk; Tina Glory Jordan; Dick Lay and David Walkingstick

Late Arrival: 1 - David Thornton Sr.

Office of the Attorney General - Diane Hammons

Ms. Hammons announced in addition to the regular report a timeline of happenings within the Freedman case has also been provided. She offered to answer questions. Councilor Keener requested additional happenings since the timeline was provided be emailed to the Council and to the community groups. Councilor Coates requested an opinion on the replacement of spoiled absentee At Large ballots.

Codification - Todd Hembree

No one was present from the Election Commission; Mr. Hembree announced they did submit the Carter report. Councilor Cowan Watts voiced concern for the District 2 timeline not being approved by the Council. Mr. Hembree stated he would communicate this to the Election Commission. Councilors also raised question about additional voting precincts through the 8th of October. Mr. Hembree read a portion of Judge Kennedy's order.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepston

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

Self-Governance - Vickie Hanvey

Ms. Hanvey reported a hearing was held on September 22nd in regard to Title IV amendments where the DOI testified they agreed with the language as written. She announced they are working on a supplemental contract disputes claim for Indian Health Service to include any third party revenue. They are also trying to file a CDA claim for contract support costs for 2005 as the statute of limitations runs out on the 30th of this month.

Gaming Commission - Jamie Hummingbird

Mr. Hummingbird provided his report and offered to answer questions.

Election Commission - Susan Plumb

Mr. Hembree announced there was no report to be given as everything is yet to settle down. He stated he would meet with Mr. Nason Morton as soon as practical and get the codification process rolling again. Councilor Cowan Watts announced it has been discovered that the impeachment act needs to be brought current with the constitution and will be presented as a special Rules meeting.

Registrar Citizenship Data Update - Todd Enlow

Mr. Enlow provided a handout of a map show the status update. They met with EODD last week, they have received the data from Sequoyah County, McIntosh County should be received next week and Adair County should be received within the

next thirty days. He reminded everyone that once the new fiscal year begins they will establish the contract to do Nowata County.

OLD BUSINESS

1. [11-092](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF KIMBERLY TEEHEE AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION FOUNDATION
Ms. Paula Ragsdale announced the Administration would be withdrawing this nomination as there appears to be a conflict.

2. [TMP-157](#) TRIBAL COUNCIL TRAVEL EXPENSE POLICY - ANNUAL REVIEW (Discussion and Possible Action)
Councilor Cowan Watts requested written feedback from Councilors who wish to submit changes. Councilor Thornton raised questions about the federal guidelines and driving personal vehicles. Mr. Ragsdale stated he would review the federal guidelines and provide feedback. Councilor Cowan Watts commented research would be provided prior to the meeting next month. She requested Councilor Thornton work with Mr. Hembree to develop draft language for submission.
Councilor Cowan Watts moved to table to next month. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [11-112](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS (CNEP) TO DONATE ONE XRF TO THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS (EBCI) IN NORTH CAROLINA
Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve items 1 and 2 in Toto. Councilor Jack D. Baker seconded the motion. Councilor Keener requested corrections to both resolutions in the 6th paragraph to read XRF. The motion carried.

2. [11-113](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS (CNEP) TO DONATE ONE XRF TO CHEROKEE-CRC (C-CRC)
Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve items 1 and 2 in Toto. Councilor Jack D. Baker seconded the motion. Councilor Keener requested corrections to both resolutions in the 6th paragraph to read XRF. The motion carried.

3. [11-114](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS AND TO APPOINT THE TRIBAL DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES
Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. [11-115](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF FCC CONSTRUCTION PERMITS
Chair Anglen requested Mr. Stewart introduce this resolution. It was requested for the cost of the permits to be provided along with the original intent for the permits prior to the Council meeting. Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve. Councilor Jack D. Baker seconded the motion. The motion for

approval carried with the following roll call vote:

- Yea:** 9 - Bill John Baker; Buel Anglen; Curtis Snell; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Cara Cowan Watts; Janelle Fullbright; Lee Keener Jr. and Julia Coates
- Nay:** 6 - Chuck Hoskin, Jr. ; David Thornton Sr. ; Jodie Fishinghawk; Tina Glory Jordan; Dick Lay and David Walkingstick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Keener moved to adjourn. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:12 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

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| <i>Pat Ragsdale</i> | <i>Paula Ragsdale</i> | <i>Patrick Hill</i> |
| <i>Jon Overacker</i> | <i>Mike Miller</i> | <i>Vicki Hanvey</i> |
| <i>Melanie Knight</i> | <i>Sharon Swepston</i> | <i>Sherry Chenault</i> |
| <i>Robert Garcia</i> | <i>Todd Enlow</i> | <i>Sara Hill</i> |
| <i>Jamie Custer</i> | <i>Doug Evans</i> | <i>Susan Work</i> |
| <i>Diane Hammons</i> | | |

VISITORS PRESENT:

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| <i>Todd Hembree</i> | <i>Jamie Hummingbird</i> | <i>David Stewart</i> |
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