



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Keith Austin, Chair

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Thursday, April 28, 2022

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Co Chair Sam called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Crittenden gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilors Austin and Coates attended remotely.

Present 15 - Rex Jordan; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Johnny Kidwell; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 1 - Wes Nofire

Late Arrival 1 - Candessa Tehee

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Shotpouch moved to approve the March minutes as submitted.
Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Chuck Garrett

Ms. Jarvis reported in the absence of Mr. Garrett. She provided an update on the March financials. She reported on the business development activities referred to as Projects Canoe and Ocean.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Janees Taylor

Ms. Taylor offered to answer questions from the report provided. She announced they are preparing for the FY2023 budgets and inquired if the Council would be okay with getting the budget information on a flash drive or prefer the two large binders. She stated she would coordinate with Shelli to determine preferences. The Comprehensive Financial Annual Report (CAFR) has been placed on your desks. Ms. Taylor provided clarification on the language program payments.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley provided handouts on the Summer Youth Leadership Program and the new Career Exploration Program. She provided highlights on the events happening at the Pryor Industrial Park. She also reported on the call center located in the Woodmark building. Ms. Kelley reported on both the career recruitment fairs and the job referral fairs scheduled. Chief has requested they work with housing construction as well as any other construction being done to help identify contractors and subcontractors. They will be holding construction fairs. She provided an update on the childcare and nursing needs. An update was given on the Career Service office locations and expansions. She offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Shambaugh inquired about job openings at the meat processing plant. He inquired about the timeline for the meat processing plant.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight provided an update on the Income Tax Prep Program. She offered to answer questions from the report provided.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Councilor Tehee inquired when the changes made to the Sports Team Applications and Policy go into effect. She inquired if there had been a change in the number of applications.

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. [22-037](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #43-21 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 - MOD. 3; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Deere made a motion to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. [22-038](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #44-21 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 - MOD. 7; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Legg made a motion to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Crittenden requested the Tiger family be kept in everyone's prayers.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:28 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Janees Taylor
Jody Reece*

*Diane Kelley
Camerin Fite James*

Anna Knight

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young

Teddy Snell

*Remote:
Molly Jarvis*