



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
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## Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

*Joe Byrd, Speaker*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain Coke*

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Thursday, May 27, 2021

4:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### SPECIAL SESSION CALLED BY CHIEF HOSKIN

#### CALL TO ORDER

Joe Byrd

Speaker of the Council

**Speaker Byrd called the meeting to order at 4:59 p.m.**

#### INVOCATION

**Speaker Byrd gave the invocation.**

#### ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain Coke

Legal & Legislative Coordinator

**Speaker Byrd read into the record the Remote Attendance Act to allow Council remote attendance during a pandemic.**

**Councilor Coates attended remotely.**

**Present** 17 - Mike Shambaugh; Mike Dobbins; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Joe Byrd; Victoria Vazquez; Harley Buzzard; Canaan Duncan; Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin and Julia Coates

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### [21-053](#)

#### **A RESOLUTION EXPRESSLY DETAILING THE CHEROKEE NATION'S PLAN TO EXECUTE FUNDING UNDER THE U.S. TREASURY'S GUIDANCE FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT**

##### **Sponsors:**

Canaan Duncan, Janees Taylor, Victoria Vazquez, Keith Austin, Rex Jordan, Dora Patzkowski, E. O. "JR." Smith, Daryl Legg, Shawn Crittenden, Joe Deere, Julia Coates, Mike Shambaugh, Mike Dobbins, Joe Byrd and Harley Buzzard

**Councilor Taylor made a motion to approve the revised version provided**

during committee. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-026-21

**21-055**

**AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #17-20 AUTHORIZING THE  
COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 -  
Mod. 8A;  
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**Sponsors:** Janees Taylor

**Councilor Crittenden moved to approve Mod. 8A substitute. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. Mr. Jody Reece provided a handout and gave a brief explanation. The motion to approve carried by voice vote with Councilor Nofire opposed.**

Enactment No: LA-27-21

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Councilor Duncan announced these two items just passed will be signed following adjournment for all those who want to participate.*

*Councilor Shambaugh commented the Governor's offices is petitioning for \$10ml for lawsuits against Indian tribes. He also announced the resignation of Oklahoma Attorney General Mike Hunter.*

*Councilor Shaw announced Tulsa is under tornado watch, be careful on your way home.*

*Councilor Crittenden requested for his records the vote count on the two items just passed. Councilor Nofire gave clarification for his no vote.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilor Taylor moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried at 5:04 p.m.**

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 14th, 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.