



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Joshua Sam, Chair

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Thursday, June 26, 2025

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sam called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Poindexter gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates attended remotely.

Present 16 - Johnny Kidwell ; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh; Joshua Sam; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates and Kendra McGeady

Absent 1 - Daryl Legg

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Shotpouch moved to approve. **Councilor Patzkowski** seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Chuck Garrett

Mr. Garrett reported on the May financials. He provided a federal contracting update and a gaming update for Arkansas. They have approximately 70 summer interns at CNB. He offered to answer questions from the report.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Janees Taylor

Ms. Taylor gave an update on the payroll issue today. The Annual Financial Resources Training was held for 2 days this week. They are currently in the process of wrapping the single audit. She offered to answer questions from the report.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Mr. Palmer reported in the absence of Ms. Kelley. He stated Ms. Kelley is in a meeting pertaining to Job Corp. He provided an update on Job Corp. He offered to answer questions from the report.

Commerce - Anna Knight

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

CONSENT ITEMS:

No questions or concerns were voiced.

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. [25-062](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS ITEMS TO SOUTHERN CHEROKEE HELPERS
Councilor Dobbins moved to approve. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [25-063](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS ITEMS TO MARYETTA PUBLIC SCHOOL
Councilor Poindexter moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. [25-064](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS ITEMS TO CALVARY INDIAN BAPTIST CHURCH

 Councilor Tehee moved to approved. Councilor McGeady seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. [25-065](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS ITEMS TO NATIVE AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP, INC (NAFI)

 Councilor McGeady moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. [25-066](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS ITEMS TO NATIVE AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP, INC (NAFI)

 Councilor McGeady moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6. [25-067](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #34-24 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 - MOD. 9.5 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

 Councilor Easley moved to approve. Councilor Poindexter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

7. [25-068](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #33-24 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 - MOD. 7; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

 Councilor Smith moved to approve. Councilor Poindexter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

8. [25-069](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #34-24 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 - MOD. 10; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

 Councilor Kidwell moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Callison announced the total donation to the 5th Year Scholarship Program at RSU was \$7,883 from the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Tehee moved to adjourn. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:18 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Brooke Neff</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Jamie Cole</i>
<i>Janees Taylor</i>	<i>Hunter Palmer</i>	<i>Samantha Hendricks</i>
<i>S. Joe Crittenden</i>	<i>Jody Reece</i>	<i>Anna Knight</i>

Stephanie Isaacs

Chad Harsha

VISITORS PRESENT:

Chuck Garrett

John Young

Teddye Snell