



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Janees Taylor, Chair

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Thursday, August 25, 2016

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Buzzard gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Don Garvin; Frankie Hargis ; Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez; Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; David Walkingstick and Bryan Warner

Absent 2 - Curtis Snell and David Thornton, Sr.

Late Arrival 1 - Dick Lay

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve the July 12th regular session minutes. **Councilor Vazquez** seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton gave an update on the financials. They are preparing the 2017 outlook and forecast. He announced Margaretville is scheduled to open the casino portion of their new facility today. He provided an update on the projects including the new Grove casino, the gas pumps at Outpost #1 and the spa at Hard Rock. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the process for addressing companies whom there have been issues with in the past to keep them from receiving future bids. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the archive procurements being available online, the electronic sign at the Jay clinic, the restaurant at the Grove casino, the water and sewer line at the Grove casino, and the bidding on the promotional items. Councilor Hatfield requested and update on the

outlet mall. Mr. Slaton gave an update on Tahlequah Cherokee Plaza and reported there will once again be construction on the highway near Hard Rock. Councilor Garvin requested an update on the Arkansas gaming prospect. Chair Taylor commented on the much needed WRD renovation and the positive change in the numbers at CNI. Councilor Byrd requested the removal of some signage at Cherokee Springs.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Ms. Horn gave appreciation to the Council for the time and attention on the 2017 budget. She stated they are currently working on the 2016 year end close. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Hatfield inquired if the warehouse surplus was also for the At Large groups.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley gave an update on the upcoming job fairs including Buffalo Wild Wings and Taco Bueno. Ms. Kelley commented Casey's General Store has requested their assistance with a job fair. She announced a resource fair for recruitment purposes is scheduled for next Thursday and Friday. She commented on the holiday parade and the request for community participation. DeWayne Chuckaluck is the new Fire Coordinator. She gave an update on the office signs for Claremore and Sallisaw. Councilor Hargis inquired if there is a way to determine the number of Cherokees hired at the job fairs for Buffalo Wild Wings and Taco Bueno. Councilor Buzzard asked for clarification on the TERO bidding as asked during Mr. Slaton's report. He asked about the 3 EEOC complaints referenced in the report. Councilor Crittenden requested a hierarchy chart with contact information for Ms. Kelley's department. Councilor Hargis requested an update on the surgery tech classes.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight announced they received the grant for the Jay industrial park sewer, curbing and lighting. They will be holding some FSA Farm Service Agency trainings this fall in Jay, Claremore and Tahlequah. They are also working a new orientation packet for TERO vendors. She provided clarification on Councilor Buzzard's question in regard to TERO procurement by referring to a chart within her report. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Taylor inquired if the bid sheet has been revised in regard to the specification requirements. Councilor Vazquez inquired about the date for the Small Business Expo.

CONSENT ITEMS:

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve the list as provided. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

A new list was provided. Councilor Baker requested assistance to provide funds for the Heritage Center. He requested \$750 of his funds, Councilor Walkingstick donated \$100 and Councilor Hatfield donated \$750. Councilor Walkingstick requested \$500 to Tahlequah Public schools, \$500 to Woodall schools, \$500 to Keys schools, \$500 to Dry Creek community building, \$500 to the Tailholt community

building, and \$500 to Tenkiller. Councilor Crittenden inquired when is the last day to spend the funding. Councilor Walkingstick requested \$500 to SHS Alumni and \$250 to SHS senior trip. Councilor Baker moved to approve as amended. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

A new list was provided. Councilor Hargis moved to approve the new list as provided. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ROADS

Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Councilor Austin requested clarification on the bridge access funds.

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

Councilor Byrd commented on the popularity of the sports team funding and suggested possible changes to the program. Mr. Reece commented an additional \$10,000 is being transferred to this fund. Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [16-092](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO WORK FORCE IN CHEROKEE COUNTY
Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [16-093](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO CALVARY INDIAN BAPTIST CHURCH IN CHEROKEE COUNTY
Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. [16-094](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO MARYETTA SCHOOL IN ADAIR COUNTY
Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. [16-095](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT TO NATIVE AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP, INC. IN NOWATA COUNTY

Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
5. [16-096](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO JACKSON LAND TEAM, INC. IN DELAWARE COUNTY

Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
6. [16-097](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO SPAVINAW YOUTH CENTER IN MAYES COUNTY

Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
7. [16-098](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY BUILDING IN ADAIR COUNTY

Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
8. [16-099](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO MID-COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT IN ADAIR COUNTY

Councilor Baker moved to approve items 1 through 8 in Toto as they are all surplus donations. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried.
9. [16-100](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT AND SUBMISSION OF A THREE-YEAR PLAN FOR PL 102-477 ACTIVITIES

Councilor Byrd moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion and requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.
10. [16-101](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #17-15 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 - MOD. 11; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Austin moved to approve. Councilor Baker seconded the motion by acclamation. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Byrd commented he would speak to the Executive Branch and see if they want to move forward with the database and if not he would provide draft legislation.

Councilor Baker announced today is the 100th Anniversary of the National Park Service.

Councilor Walkingstick announced for Councilor Snell he would be having a community meeting this Saturday in the Kenwood community.

Councilor Walkingstick also announced the Miss Cherokee pageant would be held this Saturday.

Gayle Miller gave the details on the CN Holiday passes and parade lineup.

Ms. Barker Harrold announced the Nancy Ward activities during the holiday.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Garvin moved to adjourn. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:07 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Jody Reece</i>	<i>Tom Elkins</i>	<i>Jamie Cole</i>
<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>	<i>Anna Knight</i>
<i>Willard Mounce</i>	<i>Sara Hill</i>	<i>Ron Qualls</i>
<i>Debra Lack</i>	<i>Jon James</i>	<i>Nikki Limore</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Shawn Slaton</i>	<i>Teddy Snell</i>	<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>
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