



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Curtis Snell, Chair

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Monday, December 16, 2013

4:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Co Chair Hargis called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Ex-officio Member, John Masters was present.

Present 12 - Julia Coates; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis ; Don Garvin; David Thornton, Sr. ; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 2 - Jodie Fishinghawk and Curtis Snell

Late Arrival 3 - Janelle Fullbright; David Walkingstick and Cara Cowan Watts

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker moved to approve the November 12, 2013 regular session minutes. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - Bruce Davis

Mr. Davis gave appreciation to everyone for a great year and offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Buzzard requested a copy of the policy for the grazing leases. Councilor Keener inquired if they needed assistance with the Collinsville Food Distribution Center opening.

2. Real Estate Services - Ginger Brown

Ms. Brown offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Buzzard inquired if the property in Jay would be placed in trust status.

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

Mr. Wayne Isaacs offered to answer questions from the report provided in the absence of Mr. Elkins. Councilor Thornton inquired about licensing companies for water for the Cherokee Nation from our creeks. Councilor Cowan Watts requested a status update on the Illinois River water studies.

4. Veteran's Building Status Update - Bruce Davis

Mr. David Moore provided an update on the remaining items and anticipated a grand opening could be held in a couple of months. Councilor Glory Jordan inquired about the gutter leaks. Councilor Garvin requested an update on the art. Councilor Byrd requested they look at the leaks at the Markoma gym.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [13-133](#) FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON ORCHARDS, FARMS, BUFFALO ACQUISITIONS, CATTLE MANAGEMENT, TRUCKING COMPANY, GARDENING AND OTHER RESOURCE DEPARTMENT PROJECTS
Councilor Buzzard requested the study be done possibly using carryover dollars. Councilor Glory Jordan commented she has spoken to CNB as they are doing a comparable study and might be able to include this within that study without any or little cost. Mr. Bruce Davis commented the USDA has formed a team to do a study for a ten year long range plan for Natural Resources which included the cows, buffalo and gardening. We haven't received the study back at this time from the USDA. Councilor Buzzard requested a report each month from Mr. Davis on the status of the study. Councilor Buzzard requested some research on the pines in Delaware County.
Councilor Buzzard moved to table. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Glory Jordan announced the Council Social is tomorrow following our Rules committee meeting. She requested the Council members stay and help serve the employees as they come through.

Councilor Garvin announced the possibility of the Council group picture being taken in January on Council meeting day.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Byrd moved to adjourn. Councilor Glory Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried at 5:03 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Long *Wayne Isaacs* *David Moore*
Elizabeth Odell *Bruce Davis*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Curtis Austin *Debra Scott* *Dianne Barker Harrold*