

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Curtis Snell, Chair

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Monday, July 15, 2013

8:00 AM

Legislative Conference Room

Speical Session

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Snell called the speical session to order at 8:15 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

- **Present** 9 Buel Anglen; Curtis Snell; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Janelle Fullbright; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Cara Cowan Watts and Frankie Hargis
- Absent 4 Meredith Frailey; Jodie Fishinghawk; David Walkingstick and Joe Byrd
- Late Arrival 4 Chuck Hoskin Jr.; David Thornton, Sr.; Julia Coates and Tina Glory

1. TMP-274 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: CHEROKEE NATION LANDFILL

Ms. Fan Robinson of the Cherokee Nation Waste Management Board introduced herself and the other two board members as Shaun Shepherd and Lou Ann Collins. She also introduced Jay Blake Fletcher of the Environmental Protection Commission and Jackie Woodward the Daily Inspector at the Landfill. Ms. Robinson announced they would be providing pictures as well as financial information today in addition to the packet of information that was provided at the last meeting. She commented at the last meeting she and Ms. Collins recommended a controlled closure however today the situation at the landfill is 100% better. She reported the new manager has addressed some immediate issues. Mr. Jamie Clinton, the Landfill Manger provided a power point of before and after pictures of the landfill. Ms. Robinson provided an update on the current equipment, buildings and employees. She gave an overview of the budget needed if it is determined the landfill is to remain open. Mr. Shepherd provided handouts of financial information and gave a brief overview of the information provided. Ms. Robinson commented it will take a lot of funding no matter which decision is made. Mr. Shepherd discussed recycling options. Ms. Robinson gave an overview of the issues with cell #2 which need to be corrected. She also stated a comprehensive plan has been provided in the handouts. She introduced Ed Fite from the Environmental Protection Commission. Councilor Hargis inquired as to

how long the landfill could operate as is and what the Board recommends. Ms. Robinson stated her recommendation would be to keep it open if the right management is present. She recommended each Council member visit the Landfill. Chair Snell suggested tabling this discussion for one month to allow the Council time to review the documents provided. Councilor Hargis inquired if the Board has considered having a community meeting to gather their input prior to the Council making a decision. Mr. Fite of the Cherokee Nation Environmental Protection Commission gave a brief overview of their opinion of the landfill.

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to table for one month at which time a determination is made to keep the landfill open or close. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried to table for one month to the next regular Resource committee meeting.

Chair Snell introduced Mr. Gene Flynn of Bethel Energy. Mr. Flynn introduced Mr. Lynn Daniels who would give a power point presentation regarding a leased energy plant and plasmafication. Mr. Daniels gave a brief history of his background and the companies. He provided a handout of the power point presentation. Councilor Coates commented this presentation should be to CNB not the Tribal Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

At the completion of the presentation Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Long Bruce Davis Tom Elkins

Terrisa Muskrat Sara Hill Courtney Roark Thompson

VISITORS PRESENT:

Fan Robinson Lou Ann Collins Shaun Shepherd Jay Blake Fletcher Gene Flynn Jackie Woodward

Jamie Clinton Patricia Carpenter Ed Fite

Lynn Daniels Farrell Prater Dianne Barker Harrold