



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Thursday, September 26, 2024

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates attended remotely.

Present 17 - Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh; Johnny Kidwell; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates and Kendra McGeady

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere moved to approve. Councilor Callison seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

No one was present to report.

Office of the Attorney General - Chad Harsha

Mr. Harsha provided an update on the wild life code amendment, the offer on the motor vehicle license compact, and commented they continue to monitor court cases. He offered to answer questions from the report. Chair Shambaugh inquired if the compact offer was a positive offer. Councilor Dobbins inquired how different our vehicle compact is from other tribes. Chair Shambaugh inquired about the status of an At Large citizen purchasing a vehicle and getting a Cherokee Nation tag. Councilor Callison requested an update on the state income tax case.

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

Ms. Terrapin offered to answer questions from the report.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepston

Deputy Secretary of State Duncan offered to take questions back to Ms. Swepston.

Gaming Commission - Audra Imhoff

Mr. Duncan offered to take back questions during Ms. Imhoff's leave.

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

Ms. Hendricks was not present to report. Mr. Duncan offered to take any questions. Chair Shambaugh requested the Committee be notified when the reporters will not be able to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. [24-081](#) AN ACT AMENDING TITLE 29, SECTION 108(D) OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED
Councilor Legg moved to withdraw at the request of Administration. Councilor Deere seconded the motion

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. [TMP-415](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: SELECTION OF TRIBAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

CULTURE COMMITTEE - CHAIR

CULTURE COMMITTEE - CO-CHAIR (IF NEEDED)
Co-Chair Kidwell made a motion to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion.

Co Chair Kidwell nominated Codey Poindexter for the Chair of Culture Committee. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilor Poindexter resigned his position as Co-Chair of Culture Committee.

Councilor Poindexter nominated Councilor Shotpouch as Co-Chair of Culture Committee. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- 2. [TMP-416](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - TRIBAL COUNCIL TRAVEL EXPENSE POLICY AMENDMENT

Councilor Easley made a motion to approve. Councilor Kidwell seconded the motion. Mr. Reece gave background for the agenda item and suggested raising the amount to \$550 bi-weekly. Following discussion Councilor Kidwell offered

a friendly amendment to increase the amount to \$750 per pay period. Councilor Easley accepted. The motion carried.

- 3. [24-093](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - TRIBAL COUNCIL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUNDING AMOUNT

Councilor Hall moved to approve. Councilor Dobbins seconded the motion. Mr. Reece gave background for the agenda item. Following discussion Councilor Legg moved to raise the amount to \$50,000. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. Councilor McGeady requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

- 4. [24-099](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF COLTON MONTGOMERY AS A GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION COMPREHENSIVE CARE AGENCY (PACE)

Councilor Legg moved to approve. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Mr. Montgomery was given a few moments to speak to the Council. Councilor McGeady requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

- 5. [24-094](#) THE HOUSING, JOBS, AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT PERMANENT AUTHORIZATION OF 2024

Councilor Tehee moved to approve. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls seconded the motion. Following a presentation from Chief Hoskin and Todd Enlow discussion was held. Councilor McGeady requested to be added as a sponsor. Councilor Kidwell requested clarification that it is the revised version provided that is being considered. Following confirmation the motion to approve carried.

- 6. [24-095](#) THE CHEROKEE NATION INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD REFORM ACT OF 2024

Councilor Shotpouch moved to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- 7. [24-096](#) AN ACT AMENDING TITLE 29 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED

Councilor Callison moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Tehee moved to adjourn. Councilor Callison seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:12 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Chad Harsha</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin, Jr.</i>
<i>Todd Enlow</i>	<i>Christina Justice</i>	<i>Jody Reece</i>
<i>Brooke Neff</i>	<i>Gwen Terrapin</i>	<i>Shella Bowlin</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

Colton Montgomery

John Young

Teddye Snell