



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.
Tahlequah, OK 74464

Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Kendra McGeady, Chair
Melvina Shotpouch, Co-Chair

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Monday, July 13, 2026

3:00 PM

Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Co Chair Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates; Danny Callison; Daryl Legg; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Johnny Kidwell ; Kendra McGeady; Melvina Shotpouch and Candessa Tehee

Late Arrival 2 - Uriah Grass and Joshua Sam

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Brittany Denny-Davis

Ms. Davis offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls inquired about the requirements, hours, and payment process for the respit program.

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn provided an update on the current projects. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls requested an update on the Iron Post and Snake Creek water projects. She inquired if the 4 Mile road project would effect the design of the Norwood School project. Councilor Deere inquired if they have side dig equipment. Chair McGeady inquired about the time frame for the Highway 59 project.

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Jerri Killer

Ms. Killer gave an update on the college housing applications and the current housing projects. She provided an update on the crisis shelter here in Tahlequah and announced the old concession stand on the property will become an animal shelter. She offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Deere requested an update on the Collinsville project. Councilor Callison inquired if the college housing information is available to share. Councilor Legg announced the Redbird Smith Housing Addition sign is missing letters.

Gadugi Corps - Shawn Crittenden

Mr. Crittenden reported all of the summer participants have returned home after six weeks of volunteer work. He announced college scholarship recipients are working off their volunteer hours with the Gadugi Corp. He provided an update on the operations crew then offered to answer any questions. Numerous Councilors commented on the Gadugi Corp and all of the good work they do.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. [26-060](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2027 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)
- Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. The motion carried. Councilors Blackfox-Qualls, Deere and Tehee requested to be added as sponsors.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Poindexter seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:22 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Brooke Neff</i>	<i>Channing Rogers</i>	<i>Michael Lynn</i>
<i>Shawn Crittenden</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Shella Bowlin</i>
<i>Sharon Swebston</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young

Jerri Killer