



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Thursday, October 27, 2022

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates attended remotely.

Present 16 - Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Johnny Kidwell ; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh and Victoria Vazquez

Late Arrival 1 - Shawn Crittenden

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jordan made a motion to approve both the regular and special sessions. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Marshal Buhl reported on new vehicles and the first transport of inmates to the Texas facility. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Patzkowski inquired about any updates on the Girl Scout murders. Councilor Smith inquired about the process for the inmates in Texas on getting their medications.

Office of the Attorney General - Sara Hill

AG Hill reported they are preparing for the Brackeen case hearing in November and the different ways it can be viewed. She provided an update on the other cases that are currently pending.

Councilor Coates inquired if there could be Cherokee Nation observers in the courtroom during the Brackeen hearing and if the public could attend. Chair Shambaugh inquired if the Governor is challenging the gaming compact again.

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

AG Hill offered to take back any questions for Ms. Terrapin.

Election Commission - Marcus Fears

Mr. Fears reported on the absentee ballots, the filing period and the 2023 election timeline being available on their website and soon to be out in the Phoenix. He offered to answer questions from the report.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepston

Ms. Swepston offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Self-Governance - Ashawna Miles

Ms. Miles offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Gaming Commission - Janice Purcell

Ms. Purcell offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

Ms. Hendricks offered to answer questions from the report provided.

OLD BUSINESS

1. [22-048](#) A LEGISLATIVE ACT AMENDING TITLE 21, SECTION 1835.1 AND CREATING TITLE 21, SECTION 1835.2 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED - RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY

Councilor Jordan moved to approve the substitute version provided. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Following discussion the motion to approve carried with Councilor Nofire opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [22-081](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS AND TO APPOINT THE TRIBAL DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES

Councilor Legg moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [22-082](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RENOMINATION OF KENDRA MCGEADY AS MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

Councilor Vazquez moved to withdraw. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the

motion. The motion carried.

- 3. [22-083](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN SPARKS AS MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. Mr. Sparks was given a few moments to speak. The motion carried. Councilors Kidwell, Crittenden and Tehee requested to be added as sponsors.

- 4. [22-084](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF RICK DOHERTY TO THE BOARD MEMBER SEAT OF THE CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION BOARD COMMISSIONER

Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Sam seconded the motion. Mr. Doherty was given a few moments to speak. The motion carried. All Councilors except Councilor Nofire requested to be added as sponsors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Tehee requested prayers for the family of a constituent who recently passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Dobbins moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:47 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Taralee Montgomery</i>	<i>Samantha Hendricks</i>	<i>Shannon Buhl</i>
<i>Sara Hill</i>	<i>Marcus Fears</i>	<i>Sharon Swepston</i>
<i>Connie Parnell</i>	<i>Ashwana Miles</i>	<i>Janice Purcell</i>
<i>Tina Glory Jordan</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>John Young</i>	<i>Teddye Snell</i>	<i>Rick Doherty</i>
<i>John Sparks</i>		