



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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

Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

*Dora Patzkowski, Chair
Danny Callison, Co-Chair*

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Monday, November 10, 2025

5:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Patzkowski called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Chair Patzkowski gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent 2 - Julia Coates and Joshua Sam

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Chuck Garrett

Chair Patzkowski announced Mr. Garrett would be reporting tonight at the Council meeting.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Janees Taylor

Ms. Taylor offered to answer questions from the report provided. She commented on the payments to those in need while the federal government is shutdown. Councilor Hall inquired about the number of applications received.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Mr. Palmer offered to answer questions from the report.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Mr. Highers offered to answer questions from the report.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Updated reports were provided. No questions or concerns were voiced.

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

ROADS

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

SPECIAL PROJECTS

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

25-111 AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #26-25 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 - MOD. 2 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**Councilor Callison moved to approve. Councilor Grass seconded the motion.
The motion carried with the following roll call vote:**

Yea: 14 - Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Joe Deere; Uriah Grass; Candessa Tehee; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Melvina Shotpouch; Kendra McGeady; Johnny Kidwell ; Kevin Easley Jr.; Dora Patzkowski and Danny Callison

Not In Room: 1 - Codey Poindexter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Hall seconded the motion. The motion carried at 5:08 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Janees Taylor
Jody Reece*

*Stephen Highers
Hunter Palmer*

*Ross Winn
Shella Bowlin*

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young