



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

*Dick Lay, Chair*

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Monday, August 11, 2014

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Lay called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Councilor Snell gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 12 - Julia Coates; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Cara Cowan Watts; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis ; Don Garvin; David Thornton, Sr. ; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell and Victoria Vazquez

**Absent** 1 - Jodie Fishinghawk

**Late Arrival** 4 - Tina Glory Jordan; Janelle Fullbright; David Walkingstick and Janees Taylor

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Councilor Baker moved to approve the July 14th regular session minutes.  
Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### REPORTS:

1. Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

*Ms. Lamb provided an update on the clothing voucher program and the number of applications given to date. They are still in planning on the Veteran's trip to Washington D. C. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the Tulsa and Rogers County advocate.*

2. Community Services - Ron Qualls

*Mr. Qualls gave an update on the Community Cultural Outreach program. Councilor Coates requested clarification on the number of At Large groups. She also inquired how the picnic dates are chosen. Councilor Coates inquired if there are social media policies for the staff of the CCO program. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about a*

*waterline agreement compacts with the Delaware and possibly the UKB. Mr. Billy Hix gave an overview of the agreement with the Delaware tribe.*

3. Housing Services - Gary Cooper

*Mr. Cooper gave an update on the Negotiated Rule Making sessions. Just prior to Congress going into recess the NAHASDA reauthorization passed out of the House Financial Service Committee. They will be accepting college housing applications through the 15th of this month. Councilor Cowan Watts requested clarification on the number of homes built to date. She also requested a tour of the homes being built in her area. Councilor Coates inquired about rental assistance process for the elderly and handicapped. Councilor Buzzard inquired if the Negotiated Rule Making still uses Census data. Mr. Cooper gave a list of houses by county.*

4. Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

*Mr. Lynn gave an update on the Cherokee Nation Industrial Park in Stilwell, the SHS intersection, the Tenkiller School road and the NE Ft. Gibson road. Councilor Glory Jordan inquired about the beetle issue on the NE Ft. Gibson road. She also requested clarification on the Hulbert/Lost City road project. She inquired about Cedar Hollow 1 and 2 being terminated. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the burden of the intersection construction at SHS during the Cherokee National Holiday. Councilor Snell inquired about the right of way responsibility of a road project once a road is complete. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the Jay clinic road. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about any funding with the UKB in regard to roads or transit. Councilor Byrd inquired about Coffey Hollow Road. Chair Lay inquired about the turn off to the Ochelata Clinic.*

5. Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

6. Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

*Ms. Shay Smith offered to answer any questions from the report provided. Councilor Cowan Watts requested clarification on the MAP numbers provided in the report. Ms. Smith reported there has been a change in the FICA scoring module. The change will not include medical debt collection. The collections beginning in the fall will not be calculated in the credit score. Councilor Buzzard requested a list of foreclosures in his area.*

OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. [TMP-316](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: REHAB EMERGENCIES

**Mr. David Pruitt gave an update on the rehab issue. After discussion was complete Councilor Buzzard requested this item be withdrawn.**

2. [TMP-317](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: MAINTAINING TRUST AND/OR RESTRICTED STATUS WHEN BUILDING HOMES

**Councilor Cowan Watts moved to table for one month. Councilor Coates seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Vazquez moved to adjourn. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn carried at 3:45 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Elizabeth Odell</i>	<i>Linda Donelson</i>	<i>Marsha Lamb</i>
<i>David Pruitt</i>	<i>Ron Qualls</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>
<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>	<i>Tom Elkins</i>	<i>Leroy Qualls</i>
<i>Michael Lynn</i>	<i>Shay Smith</i>	<i>Lacey Horn</i>
<i>Diane Kelley</i>	<i>Billy Hix</i>	<i>Tyler Thomas</i>
<i>David Moore</i>	<i>Dr. Gloria Sly</i>	<i>Bill Andoe</i>
<i>Bruce Davis</i>	<i>G. V. Gulager</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>	<i>Janice Randall</i>	<i>Rob Daugherty</i>
<i>Gary Cooper</i>		