



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Dick Lay, Chair

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Monday, June 16, 2014

11:00 AM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lay called the meeting to order at 11:14 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Snell gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Cara Cowan Watts; Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis ; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Curtis Snell and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 3 - Julia Coates; Jodie Fishinghawk and David Thornton, Sr.

Late Arrival 3 - Janelle Fullbright; David Walkingstick and Joe Byrd

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve the May 12th regular session minutes. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

Ms. Lamb announced they are considering taking a veteran from each district to Washington DC for approximately three days. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the vacancies within her department. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the number of LIHEAP participants served and the Elders in Need Program.

2. Community Services - Ron Qualls

Chair Lay requested to wait on this report until the new business item is discussed regarding the IHP.

3. Housing Services - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper reported he attended a negotiated rule making session last week and are making some progress. Councilor Cowan Watts requested clarification on the number of homes built.

4. Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn reported they have opened bids on the Sequoyah High School intersection and the Wickliffe Bridge. They are working on a grant submission with the Federal Transit Administration for four additional compressed natural gas transit buses. He stated they are working in conjunction with the Attorney General's office, Administration and the Federal Transit Administration to have the FY2013 and FY2014 released to the tribe as these funds were lumped together with the UKB funds. They have an acquisition meeting scheduled for July 8th for the North East Ft. Gibson project. Councilor Glory Jordan inquired how close the bids received were to their estimates. Councilor Taylor inquired if any of the bids were from TERO vendors. Councilor Hargis requested an update on the Malloy Hollow road. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the amount of the transit funds being held up. He also inquired if the road for the new clinic in Jay was on the system. Councilor Garvin inquired how much of the North East Ft. Gibson road is in Cherokee county. Councilor Buzzard inquired how the demand on riders works for the transit program. Councilor Keener inquired if the new transit buses would add to the fleet or replace.

5. Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

6. Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

No one was present to report from Commerce.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to amend the agenda to consider the Community Service report and then the New Business item #2 at this time. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. Community Services - Ron Qualls

Mr. Qualls gave an overview of the Negotiated Rule Making sessions he has attended.

2. [14-056](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN TO THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Qualls requested both Gary Cooper and Ashley Canoe assist in the discussion regarding the Indian Housing Plan. He commented the major breakdown is listed on page 65. He stated it is a flat budget from last year. Chair Lay requested clarification on the changes from this IHP as compared to last years. Councilor Buzzard requested beginning with page 64 to go through the list and indicate which department handles that program. Councilor Cowan Watts requested the number of units also be provided. She also inquired if there is any carryover. Councilor Cowan Watts requested a table showing the programs, carryover, funds, units and department so that it is all on one page. Discussion was held if this needed to be forward to the Council meeting this evening or if it could wait one month. An overview was given of each program, the number of units and which department controls beginning on page 64. Once the overview was complete and questions were answered a motion was made by Councilor Glory Jordan to approve and forward to the Council meeting this evening. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors.

The motion to approve carried.

1. [14-057](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES TO THE U.S. DHHS, FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES PROGRAM, FOR VICTIMS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE

Councilor Glory Jordan moved to approve and forward to the Council meeting this evening. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried with all Councilors requesting to be added as sponsors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried at 12:42 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Marsha Lamb</i>	<i>Ron Qualls</i>	<i>Ashley Canoe</i>
<i>Michael Lynn</i>	<i>Billy Hix</i>	<i>David Pruitt</i>
<i>Gary Cooper</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>	<i>Anna Knight</i>
<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>John Paden</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Larry Horn</i>	<i>Lisa Long</i>	<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>
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