



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Chuck Hoskin Jr., Chair

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Tuesday, December 11, 2012

9:00 AM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hoskin Jr. called the meeting to order at 9:52 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin Jr. ; Curtis Snell; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Jodie Fishinghawk; Tina Glory Jordan; Janelle Fullbright; Dick Lay; Lee Keener Jr.; David Walkingstick; Julia Coates; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Absent 1 - David Thornton, Sr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Hoskin Jr. announced the minutes were not available for approval.

REPORTS:

Chair Hoskin Jr. announced they would dispense with reports due to time constraints and limit to questions only.

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

No questions were asked.

Office of the Attorney General - Todd Hembree

Attorney General Hembree offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Cowan Watts requested an update on the UKB cases. Councilor Byrd inquired as to the amount of expense to date on the UKB cases.

Election Commission - Bill W. Horton

No one was present for the Election Commission.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepton

Ms. Swepton offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Cowan Watts requested an update on the implementation on the Veteran's Tax Relief. Councilor Walkingstick inquired as to the number of retail smoke shops. Ms. Swepton announced all of the Cherokee Nation tag offices will be closed tomorrow for staff training.

Election Commission - Bill W. Horton

Ms. Earls offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired if there had been a resolution of the issues discovered with the At Large in district voter letter. She inquired if the website had been updated as discussed.

Self-Governance - Vickie Hanvey

Ms. Hanvey provided an update on some National Self-Governance issues. She provided a handout of information regarding the contract support cost settlement. She suggested we pursue a statutory exemption. Councilor Byrd suggested this be a topic of discussion at the Five Tribes meeting coming up in January. Councilor Fishinghawk requested a copy of the reports from the lobbying firms be provided to the Council monthly. Councilor Cowan Watts requested an update on the CDC issues. Ms. Hanvey reported the office of Inspector General was here last week to review our Roads Program. They are in the process of finalizing the updated agreement with the Federal Highway Program regarding the new legislation for Map21.

Gaming Commission - Jamie Hummingbird

Mr. Hummingbird gave an update on the December 4th Ft. Gibson casino opening. Councilor Byrd commended Mr. Hummingbird and his staff. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about gaming issues with the two upcoming agenda items. Councilor Keener requested an update on online gaming.

Codification - Todd Hembree

Mr. Hembree reported the contract is signed and West is working on the product now. He requested a letter from the Council to be inserted in the front of the printed volumes.

Registrar Citizenship Data Update - David Justice

No one present to report.

Tribal Youth Council -

Mr. Patrick Hill announced none of the Youth Council was able to attend today due to conflicts with school. He offered to answer questions. Councilor Coates inquired about the sponsor for Miss Cherokee. Councilor Keener inquired if the Youth Council

would be attending the Unity Council. Councilor Cowan Watts invited the Youth Council to attend the January 12th scholarship presentation. She requested an agenda item on the January Executive & Finance committee for the Youth Council to attend the Unity Conference.

OLD BUSINESS

1. [12-107](#) AN ACT RELATING TO DRUG TESTING FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS

Councilor Byrd moved to table items 1 and 2 until January. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [TMP-230](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - LIQUOR SALES IN SMOKE SHOPS

Councilor Byrd moved to table items 1 and 2 until January. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [12-157](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF _____ AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CHEROKEE NATION WASTE MANAGEMENT, LLC

Chair Hoskin Jr. withdrew items 1 and 2 at the request of the Administration.
2. [12-158](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF _____ AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CHEROKEE NATION WASTE MANAGEMENT, LLC

Chair Hoskin Jr. withdrew items 1 and 2 at the request of the Administration.
3. [12-159](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF BUCK GEORGE AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC

Councilor Byrd moved to approve. Councilor Fullbright seconded the motion. Councilors Fullbright, Lay, Walkingstick, Glory-Jordan, Hargis and Fishinghawk requested to be added as sponsors. Attorney General Hembree provided a formal introduction of Mr. George. Councilor Glory-Jordan disclosed that she and Mr. George are cousins and that the Attorney General stated there isn't a conflict of interest.

After several questions were asked of Mr. George the motion to approve carried with no opposition.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Hoskin Jr. inquired if anyone had an objection with moving the January Rules and Executive & Finance committee meetings from Thursday, January 31st to Friday, February 1st. No objections were heard.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. The motion carried at 10:55 a.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Todd Hembree
Jamie Hummingbird
Dianna Turtle*

*Patrick Hill
Diane Kelley
Vickie Hanvey*

*Sharon Swepston
Chelsea Wilson
Anna Knight*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Gina Olaya
Natalie Ostrander*

*Doug Bane
Lindsay Earls*

*Dianne Barker Harrold
Buck George*