



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.
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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Sasha Blackfox-Qualls, Chair
Ashley Grant, Co-Chair

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Monday, February 9, 2026

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Blackfox-Qualls called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Callison gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates; Dora Patzkowski; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Danny Callison; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Johnny Kidwell ; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch and Candessa Tehee

Absent 3 - Joe Deere; Uriah Grass and Kendra McGeady

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hughes moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

Dr. Jones gave report highlights including over six-hundred people attended their recent job fair. He reported they are in the process of changing from cherokee.org email addresses to cherokeehealth.org. He suggested if you have sent an email and haven't gotten a response to please resend. He reported on the staffing during the recent snow storm. He announced Todd Gourd and Elizabeth Odell are both here if there are any questions pertaining to the Oracle Resolution.

Cherokee Nation Public Health - Lisa Pivec & Dr. David Gahn

Ms. Pivec reported 2026 is the 30 year anniversary of the Wings walk and run program. She announced there is now an online Wings application. WIC will go live in April for

certifications. She announced Heart walks scheduled for the month. She provided an update for the WIC and Senior Farmers Market for Summer sign ups. She gave highlights on the ongoing vaccines. She offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Shotpouch inquired about the locations of the farmers markets.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

A. [26-012](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LIMITED CONSENT TO SUIT FOR A TRANSACTION INVOLVING CHEROKEE NATION AND ORACLE AMERICA, INC.
Co-Chair Grant moved to approve. Councilor Easley seconded the motion. Mr. Todd Gourd gave an overview of the Resolution. The motion to approve carried with no opposition.

B. [26-013](#) CHEROKEE NATION CLAREMORE OUTPATIENT AND EMERGENCY HEALTH CENTER ACT
Councilor Kidwell moved to approve. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. Councilor Patzkowski requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion to approve carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 14 - Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates; Dora Patzkowski; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Danny Callison; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Johnny Kidwell ; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch and Candessa Tehee

C. [26-014](#) PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLNESS FUND ACT - 2026 OPIOID SETTLEMENT AMENDMENTS

Councilor Legg moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 14 - Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates; Dora Patzkowski; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Danny Callison; Ashley Grant ; Clifton Hughes; Johnny Kidwell ; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch and Candessa Tehee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hughes moved to adjourn. Councilor Kidwell seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:16 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Elizabeth Odell</i>	<i>Steve Jones</i>	<i>Todd Gourd</i>
<i>Joshua Newton</i>	<i>Shella Bowliln</i>	<i>Lisa Pivec</i>
<i>Corey Bunch</i>	<i>Brooke Neff</i>	<i>Chelbie Turtle</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young