

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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

Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Rex Jordan, Chair

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Monday, May 13, 2019 2:00 PM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Warner gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner; Keith Austin; E. O. "JR." Smith; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; Janees Taylor and Canaan Duncan

Late Arrival 4 - Wanda Hatfield; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Victoria Vazquez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Anglen moved to approve the April 15th regular session minutes. Councilor Dobbins seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - David Moore

Mr. Moore offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Taylor inquired about the baby buffalos. Councilor Crittenden requested an update on the wood for elders and the gardens. He inquired if there are time clocks at the field locations. Councilor Buzzard inquired about Mr. Moore's involvement at the new health outpatient clinic at Hastings. He requested clarification on the contractor, if they are TERO, and if TERO preference was given on the project. He voiced concern for having to go back and rebuild the Muskogee Clinic, the Redbird Clinic and the Mankiller Clinic. He asked who the architect and contractor was for each of the projects. He questioned the responsibility of the repairs. Councilor Crittenden inquired if these contractors and/or architects can still obtain bids. Councilor Shaw gave appreciation for getting the generator to the clinic in Nowata. She inquired if there is a protocol in place to check and service the generators.

2. Real Estate Services - Ginger Brown Reeves

Mr. Reeves inquired about the land locked property in Jay. He voiced concern for the amount of restricted land in our jurisdiction. He also inquired if Oak Hill Piney is on restricted status. Councilor Byrd talked about the possibility to form a land committee to discuss our restricted lands. Ms. Reeves suggested waiting for approximately six months until the TAMS project is complete. Councilor Walkingstick requested the purchase price of fifty-four acres in Salina.

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

Mr. Elkins offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Shaw inquired about the number of water wells in our jurisdictional area. Councilor Crittenden inquired about eliminating mold. Councilor Buzzard asked about the water testing at the Tahlequah Park.

4. Secretary of Natural Resources - Sara Hill

Ms. Hill reported they have entered into an MOU with the State of Oklahoma to try to recover funds put into Sequoyah Fuels for the removal of the toxic waste. She provided an update on the electric vehicle grant. They have purchased an electric school bus. She gave an update on the ongoing poultry issue and announced the deadline for the moratorium. She gave an update on the fish and wildlife licenses. Environmental Programs has held five household disposal events and have 2 more events scheduled. Pharmaceutical bins were provided at the events to the communities that did not already have them. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife are considering changing the American Bearing Beatle from endangered to threatened. They have received word from the National Park Service that our Plan Gathering Agreement has been signed to allow our medicine keepers to gather plants from the Buffalo River. Councilor Shambaugh inquired about the poultry issue.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 19-029 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO LEASE TRIBAL TRUST LAND TO THE CHERRY TREE RURAL WATER DISTRICT, INC., CONTAINING 0.75

Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Duncan seconded the motion. The motion carried with no opposition.

2. 19-030 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF EASEMENT FOR RIGHT OF WAY - USA IN TRUST FOR CHEROKEE NATION TO MACK & SARAH FLYNN FOR INGRESS, EGRESS & UTILITIES LOCATED ON CMS UNIT 12

Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Duncan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. 19-031 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF LAND IN TRUST - WILL ROGERS HEALTH CENTER

Councilor Lay moved to approve. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. A request was made to forward to the Council meeting that evening. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Taylor moved to adjourn. Councilor Duncan seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:56 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Chrissi Nimmo Taryn King Brandon Scott
Tom Elkins Sara Hill David Moore
Taylor Alsney Joel Bean Ginger Reeves
Todd Enlow

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tahlina Nofire Blakestad Teddye Snell Gary Cooper