



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

Tina Glory-Jordan, Speaker

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Monday, October 15, 2012

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Tina Glory-Jordan
Speaker of the Council

Speaker Glory-Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Fullbright gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

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

Late Arrival 1 - Julia Coates

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Baker moved to approve the September 17, 2012 regular session minutes. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STATE OF THE NATION

Bill John Baker
Principal Chief

Principal Chief Baker introduced the newly elected Youth Council. He requested a few moments of silence to remember those who have passed over the last month. They began the month with offering the new photo ID badges which have your C.D.I.B. and membership card all in one. Last week they met with the new Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives during a visit to the Cherokee Nation. He announced the new emergency room expansion at Hastings Hospital is complete. Healthy Nations and the Wings Program are hosting a 5K run in Kenwood this next Saturday. The Cherokee Elder Care and The Talking Leaves Job Corp are teaming

up for an event this Friday on the Court House Square for a Breast Cancer Awareness event. The Cherokee Nation will celebrate Veteran's Day on Friday, November the 9th with a celebration at our Warriors Memorial.

CHEROKEE WARRIOR VETERAN AWARDS

S. Joe Crittenden
Deputy Principal Chief

Deputy Chief Crittenden honored Veterans Jimmy Hammer, Leon Hammer and Raymond Yahola Jr.

ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Housing Authority - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper announced the September Housing Authority board meeting will be held next Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. They are working hard to have a smooth transition in moving housing services back to the Housing Authority. He gave an update on the new home program and the Community Shield Insurance program. Councilor Thornton requested both Marble City and Belfonte are remembered when housing additions are considered. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired how many homes have been built to date.

Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton reported their fiscal year ended on September 30th, he gave appreciation to the employees for a great and successful year. The new Ramona facility and the new portion of the Hard Rock casino have opened with great success. The Ft. Gibson facility is scheduled to open the later part of November or first of December. The new hotel tower at Hard Rock will open in mid-December. Cherokee Nation Industries received an award for Outstanding Minority Supplier of the Year. Cherokee Nation Construction Services was recently awarded their largest contract to date in the amount of \$35ml. The Cherokee Art Market held this past weekend was a great success. The Cherokee Nation was named the Tribal Destination of the Year. The Cherokee Nation Businesses was awarded nine Bronze Quail awards and the Where the Casino Money goes also received awards. They have 4,155 employees with a Cherokee percentage of 69.4%, other Native Americans at 8.1% for a total Native American employment of 77.5%. Councilor Keener requested an update on the Jay Laundry. He also requested the policy regarding the Tribal Council attending events. Councilor Fullbright requested an update on the feasibility study in Sequoyah County. She also inquired about expanding the parking lot at Sequoyah's home. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired if the Cherokee employment report was blue card citizenship only. She also inquired about the Vice President and above positions. She requested an organization chart. Councilor Fishinghawk requested a report showing the tribal employment for a year ago at this time. Councilor Byrd gave appreciation for the hospitality of the staff at Hard Rock during

the silent auction event held by the Cherokee Nation Foundation.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to amend the agenda to add five items passed out of Health Committee earlier today. 1) Nomination of Dr. Roger Montgomery to the Home Health Board, 2) Nomination of Elmer Tadpole to the Home Health Board, 3) Nomination of Dr. Roger Montgomery to the Comprehensive Care Agency Board, 4) Nomination of Elmer Tadpole of the Comprehensive Care Agency Board, and 5) a Resolution supporting and endorsing the Cherokee Nation Health Capital Improvement Plan. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

Rules Committee

1. [12-111](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DAWNENA MACKY AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CORPORATION**

Councilor Lay moved to approve. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-90-12

2. [12-121](#) **AN ACT RELATING TO CHEROKEE NATION GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP CODE**

Councilor Frailey moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be included as sponsors. The motion carried by acclamation.

Enactment No: LA-39-12

3. [12-108](#) **A LEGISLATIVE ACT REPEALING THE SUNSHINE ETHICS ACT AND ALL SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS AND CREATING A NEW ETHICS ACT ENTITLED "THE CHEROKEE NATION EHTICS ACT OF 2012"**

Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. After lengthy discussion was held the motion to approve carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 10 - David Thornton, Sr. ;Chuck Hoskin Jr. ;Curtis Snell;David Walkingstick;Dick Lay;Jodie Fishinghawk;Janelle Fullbright;Tina Glory Jordan;Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Nay: 5 - Don Garvin;Jack D. Baker;Meredith Frailey;Lee Keener Jr. and Julia Coates

Abstain: 2 - Buel Anglen and Cara Cowan Watts

Enactment No: LA-40-12

Executive and Finance Committee

4. [12-126](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #37-12 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 - MOD. 1; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Councilor Fishinghawk moved to approve. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried with Councilor Keener opposed.

Enactment No: LA-41-12

5. [12-137](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DR. ROGER MONTGOMERY AS A GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INCORPORATED**

Councilor Frailey moved to approve items 5 through 9 in Toto. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-91-12

6. [12-136](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ELMER TADPOLE AS A GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INCORPORATED**

Councilor Frailey moved to approve items 5 through 9 in Toto. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-92-12

7. [12-135](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DR. ROGER MONTGOMERY AS A GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION COMPREHENSIVE CARE AGENCY (PACE)**

Councilor Frailey moved to approve items 5 through 9 in Toto. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-93-12

8. [12-134](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ELMER TADPOLE AS A GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION COMPREHENISVE CARE AGENCY (PACE)**

Councilor Frailey moved to approve items 5 through 9 in Toto. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-94-12

9. [12-138](#) **A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING THE CHEROKEE NATION HEALTH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACT**

Councilor Frailey moved to approve items 5 through 9 in Toto. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-95-12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Keener announced in Collinsville on October 27th a hog fry would be held at the Victory Cherokee Organization building.

Several Councilors introduced visitors in the audience.

Councilor Byrd announced the District 1 annual community meeting would be held tomorrow night at the Tahlequah Community Building.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Byrd moved to adjourn. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried at 7:08 p.m.

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13th at 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.