



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Curtis Snell, Chair

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Tuesday, February 21, 2017

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Snell called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis ; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell; Victoria Vazquez; Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner ; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Keith Austin

Late Arrival 1 - David Thornton, Sr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the January 16th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - Bruce Davis

Mr. Davis commended the Facilities group for the festivities at the Hastings ground breaking. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Crittenden inquired about elders having issues with roaches. Councilor Buzzard requested an aquaponics system in Jay next to the community garden. Councilor Byrd inquired about the aquaponics and the greenhouses providing food for the elders and the nutrition centers.

2. Real Estate Services - Ginger Brown Reeves

Mr. Joel Bean reported in the absence of Ms. Reeves. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Buzzard requested assistance for a probate issue for a full blood elder.

- 3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

Mr. Elkins gave highlights from their underground storage tank program.

- 4. Secretary of Natural Resources - Sara Hill

Ms. Hill gave an overview of the issue at Sequoyah Fuels. He reported on the Bridge a Gap conference currently being held at Hard Rock in Tulsa. She offered to answer questions. Councilor Anglen inquired about information on the Diamond Pipeline. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the artifact testing in the soil. Councilor Lay requested an agenda for the Bridge a Gap Conference. Councilor Garvin inquired about an update on the cleanline.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. [17-017](#) A RESOLUTION AGREEING TO ACCEPT THE UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE - SOUTHERN REGION'S APOLOGY FOR DAMAGES TO A TRAIL OF TEARS SITE IN THE CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST
Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors. The motion to approve and forward to Council this evening carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Walkingstick inquired about a Native American mural going on a bridge near Ft. Smith.

Chair Snell gave appreciation to all the Council and the Nation who supported him and the family during the recent loss of his wife.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Vazquez moved to adjourn. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:32 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Tom Elkins</i>	<i>Joel Bean</i>	<i>Courtney Jordan</i>
<i>G. V. Gulager</i>	<i>C. Duncan</i>	<i>Sara Hill</i>
<i>Bill John Baker</i>	<i>Bruce Davis</i>	<i>Taylor Alsney</i>
<i>Chad Harshaw</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Teddy Snell</i>	<i>Jay Neugin</i>	<i>E. O. Smith</i>
<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>		

