



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Council House
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jodie Fishinghawk, Chair

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Thursday, August 30, 2012

3:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fishinghawk called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Lay gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin Jr. ; Curtis Snell; David Thornton, Sr. ; Don Garvin; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Joe Byrd

Absent 2 - Jack D. Baker and Frankie Hargis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve the July 26th regular session and the July 26th TERO subcommittee minutes. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Ms. Horn offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the possibility of a \$5ml dividend coming from CNB.

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton presented financials for the month of June. The expansion at Ramona was opened on Tuesday with a record day. The grand opening for Ramona will be held on September 17th. They are still looking to open casino 3 at Catoosa in mid-September with the hotel portion opening in the later part of November or first of

December. Ft. Gibson is also scheduled to open in the later part of November. Their budget will be presented to the board for approval by the end of the month for final approval in September. He offered to answer questions from the reports provided. Councilor Cowan Watts requested opening dates be resent to the Council. She inquired about the major personnel changes recently taken place.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to enter executive session. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:20 p.m.

Councilor Anglen moved to exit executive session at 4:40 p.m. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried. Chair Fishinghawk announced no motions were made during executive session.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley announced they held an open house today at Career Services. She announced the training for the TERO vendors on the new law will begin in the middle of September. Vocational Training is taking applications for the fall semester. Two-hundred students graduated at Job Corp last Friday. Recruitment for the specialized training for plumbing, electrical, masonry and carpentry has begun. The business classes began last month. She gave an update on some of the different companies they have been meeting with.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight offered to answer questions from the report provided.

CONSENT ITEMS:

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

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

CEMETERY RESTORATION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve the revised handout. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Mr. Evans provided a revised list for approval and requested a typo be corrected from Salina Fire Department to Salina First Baptist Church. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested the Hulbert Community Building request be removed as this entry is in duplication. She added a request from herself for \$500, and Councilors Walkingstick, Byrd and Snell \$300 each for the Cowboy Regional Rodeo Finals. Councilor Hoskin Jr. added the Vinita Public Schools Special Education Program in the amount of \$1,500. Councilor Glory-Jordan reminded the Council these funds do not carryover and there is only one more month in which to use the funds available.

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve as amended. Councilor Byrd

seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Mr. Evans gave an update on the law enforcement balances and announced these funds do carryover. Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve the request submitted. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ROADS

There were no roads to present this month.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [12-105](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #20-11 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 OPERATING - MOD 12; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Evans reported there are a few changes to the mod requested by the Administration. He gave an overview of the mod package and provided an explanation of the request to pull two budgets related to the Sequoyah High gym from the mod by Administration. There is also a request related to the general assistance fund on self-governance out of the Human Service Group in the amount of \$45,000 for end of year commitments.

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Fishinghawk announced the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 27th at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Byrd moved to adjourn. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:55 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Sara Hill</i>	<i>Anna Knight</i>	<i>Doug Evans</i>
<i>Dianna Turtle</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>	<i>Jon Overacker</i>
<i>Jerry Snell</i>	<i>Marsha Lamb</i>	<i>Jody Reece</i>
<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>Connie Chandler</i>	<i>Jami Custer</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

Shawn Slaton

Natalie Fullbright Ostrander

Carolyn Allen

Harvey Chaffin

Bill Horton

Larry Horton

Dianne Barker Harrold

Shawna Calico