

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Council House 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jodie Fishinghawk, Chair

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Thursday, October 25, 2012

3:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fishinghawk called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Snell gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin Jr.; Curtis Snell; David Thornton, Sr.; Jack D. Baker; Jodie Fishinghawk; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Absent 1 - Julia Coates

Late Arrival 5 - Don Garvin; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Janelle Fullbright and David Walkingstick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the September 27th regular session minutes. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Chair Fishinghawk announced due to time constraints written reports would be accepted. All questions should be submitted by email.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Commerce - Anna Knight

Historical Society - Karen Cooper

Cherokee Nation Foundation - Kimberlie Gilliland

CONSENT ITEMS:

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CEMETERY RESTORATION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Mr. Evans announced a revised list has been provided with additional requests. Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Mr. Evans provided an amended list of community assistance requests. Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to added two additional items: Native American Fellowship Inc. \$800 Councilor Frailey, \$850 Councilor Lay, \$850 Councilor Hoskin Jr. and \$500 to the Noweta Community Organization from his funds. Councilor Cowan Watts questioned the Natchez Nation request. Councilor Cowan Watts moved to accept with the exception of the line item for Natchez Nation and for it to be tabled to the next month. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. After discussion was held Councilor Hoskin Jr. made a motion to amend and restore the request for the Natchez Nation. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried with Councilor Cowan Watts abstaining.

The motion to approve as amended carried with Councilor Cowan Watts abstaining.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to add \$1,500 to the Craig County Emergency Management. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ROADS

Mr. Evans announced there is one amendment to the roads report in the packet. He gave an overview of the report provided and offered to answer questions regarding balances. He stated the only allocated balance not yet identified is the vehicle tax apportionment from the prior year revenues and the law enforcement. Theses balances will come forward in February.

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve the roads as amended. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. TMP-232 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - CONTRACT SUPPORT COST SETTLEMENT

Councilor Lay moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. After discussion was held and questions were raised Councilor Byrd moved to table indefinitely. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. The motion carried by a voice vote with Councilors Lay, Cowan Watts, Thornton and Fishinghawk opposed.

2. TMP-233 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - CHEROKEE PHOENIX

Councilor Keener requested the Cherokee Phoenix report to the Council on a quarterly basis. He asked Mr. Pollard about the advisory board. Councilor Cowan Watts requested a ledger be kept of those who notify them they cannot afford the paper.

Councilor Keener requested the Phoenix report back in January.

3. TMP-234 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - MOTION TO MOVE \$60,000 FROM PUBLIC SCHOOL OUTREACH TO THE CHEROKEE HERITAGE CENTER

Councilor Baker made a motion to move \$50,000 from public school outreach to the Cherokee Heritage Center. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. Dr. Neil Morton provided an overview of the impact to the public school outreach program if this were to be approved. After several questions were asked and discussion was held Councilor Hargis called for the question. The motion failed by voice vote.

4. 12-132 AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #37-12 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 - MOD. 2; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Evans gave an overview of the mod. 2 request. Councilor Garvin moved to approve. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclimation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Hoskin Jr. requested a standing ovation be given to Mr. Evans. Councilor Glory-Jordan announced a reception with cake and punch would be held immediately following this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried at 5:04 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Doug EvansElizabeth O'DellDianna TurtleLacey HornBryan PollardDr. Neil MortonJody ReeceTodd HembreeBill John Baker

VISITORS PRESENT:

Dianne Barker Harrold