

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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

Meeting Minutes - Final

HEALTH COMMITTEE

Dr. Mike Dobbins, Chair

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Monday, August 12, 2024	1:00 PM	Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Chair Dobbins gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 17 - Mike Shambaugh; Mike Dobbins; Candessa Tehee; Victoria Vazquez; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Danny Callison; Johnny Kidwell; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr. and Julia Coates

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Mr. Valliere reported their COVID tests are up. He gave other highlights from the report along with an update on the dental assistant vacancies. He offered to answer questions from the report.

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

Dr. Jones gave highlights from the report. He announced they celebrated Health Clinic Week this week. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls inquired if they are still utilizing adaptive work force. She also inquired as to the number of contracts. Councilor Coates inquired if we test for syphilis and if consent is required. She requested to see the consent forms used and inquired if they are explained to the patient prior to signing. Councilor Kidwell requested the consent form be sent to the Council. Councilor Smith inquired about the hospital completion date. Chair Dobbins inquired if the contractors were given incentive to complete on time.

Cherokee Nation Public Health - Lisa Pivec & Dr. David Gahn

Ms. Pivec gave highlights from the report. She offered to answer any questions. Councilor Shotpouch inquired if smoking was allowed at the new community buildings. Councilor Legg commented on the Marble City Commnity Center. Councilor Hall commented on how wonderful the EBT program is at the farmers market. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls requested on the behalf of her constituents to have a wing walk or run in Hulbert. Chair Dobbins inquired about the HIV statistics. He also asked the difference in commercial and traditional tobacco.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Tehee moved to adjourn. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:27 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Pivec Corey Bunch Steve Jones Shella Bowlin Brooke Neff Janees Taylor

VISITORS PRESENT:

George Valliere John Young Carl Murray

Teddye Snell