



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Thursday, June 27, 2024

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Poindexter gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates attended remotely.

Present 16 - Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch;
Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh; Victoria Vazquez;
Johnny Kidwell ; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Codey Poindexter;
Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr. and Julia Coates

Absent 1 - Daryl Legg

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

REPORTS:

Chair Shambaugh requested Chief Hoskin come forward with some announcements prior to the reports.

Chief Hoskin announced the State of Arkansas issued a Gaming License to the Cherokee Nation this morning. He also announced Taralee Montgomery will be resigning her current position as of July 26th. She will continue to work in a consulting role.

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Marshal Buhl reported they are preparing for our National Holiday events. He commended the EMS staff. He offered to answer question from the report provided. Chair Shambaugh inquired as to the current number of marshals on staff and the goal

number.

Office of the Attorney General - Chad Harsha

AG Harsha provided an update on the Constitutional Convention question presented to the people. They continue to monitor criminal cases. He reported on the reform of the Major Crimes Act and upcoming revisions to the Criminal Code. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Kidwell inquired if there were any highlights to share from the town hall meeting yesterday. He also requested an update on the car tag compact negotiations. Chair Shambaugh inquired if a recent court case reversal pertaining to weapons would effect us.

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

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

Tax Commission - Sharon Sweptson

Ms. Sweptson gave highlights from the report then offered to answer questions. Councilor Dobbins inquired how long the paper tags are good.

Gaming Commission - Audra Imhoff

Ms. Imhoff gave highlights from the report then offered to answer questions.

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

Ms. Hendricks gave highlights from the report including the Summer Interns. She offered to answer questions from the report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. [24-033](#) AN ACT AMENDING TITLE 43 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED AND TO FURTHER ADOPT THE FIRST MODERN DAY CHEROKEE NATION FAMILY PLANNING AND DISSOLUTION CODE
Councilor Patzkowski moved to table indefinitely. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [24-055](#) AN ACT AMENDING TITLE 19 "COUNCIL", CHAPTER 4, SECTION 38
Councilor Kidwell moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. [24-056](#) THE CHEROKEE NATION LIVESTOCK PROTECTION ACT OF 2024
Councilor Callison moved to approve. Councilor Kidwell seconded the motion. Councilor Tehee requested to be added as a sponsor. Councilor Easley offered a friendly amendment to strike paragraphs 3 and 4 under definitions and to strike paragraphs C, D, E and G from Section 41. Chair Shambaugh requested

clarification from Attorney Young. The motion carried.

3. [24-058](#)

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT 45-21 RELATING TO CODIFYING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR SEQUOYAH SCHOOLS

Councilor Tehee moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. Attorney Young gave clarification for the amendment. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Shambaugh commented on getting the license to game in Arkansas, stating all of those involved did a great job protecting our investment.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Shotpouch seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Chad Harsha
Audra Imhoff
Sharon Swepston
Sheila Bowlin*

*Brooke Neff
Shannon Buhl
Chuck Hoskin Jr.
Gwen Terrapin*

*Samantha Hendricks
Taralee Montgomery
Corey Bunch*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Teddye Snell

John Young