



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Meeting Minutes Health Committee

Tuesday, October 14, 2008

10:00 AM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cobb called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Buzzard gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Bill John Baker; S. Joe Crittenden; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Buel Anglen; Jack D. Baker; Tina Glory Jordan; Jodie Fishinghawk; Harley Buzzard; Curtis Snell; Chris Soap; Bradley Cobb; Julia Coates and Chuck Hoskin, Jr.

Late Arrival 1 - Janelle Fullbright

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jack Baker made a motion to approve the September 16th regular session minutes. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Claremore Service Unit - Marty Smith

Mr. Marty Smith gave an overview of his written report.

2. Cherokee Nation Health Services - Melissa Gower

Ms. Melissa Gower provided the program for the Champions of Health Conference and handouts for the Healthy Nation and PACE programs. She announced they received numerous GPRAs awards this year. The drive thru flu shot at Hastings will be November 3rd through November 7th. There are currently 3126 participants enrolled in the pharmacy by mail program. They are looking to expand into the clinics as well. She announced Christine Gilliam the Survey Rediness Officer in Performance Improvement is the first professional in Oklahoma that has this certification and is currently only 1 of 54 in the entire Nation. The Annual Pow Wow Golf Classic is October 17 at Cherokee Hills Golf Course in Catoosa. The Women's Health Fair is this Friday in the dining room at Hastings from 9:00 to noon. The Caner Survivors dinner is October 25th at Northeastern.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING THE CHEROKEE NATION HEALTH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Sponsors: Councilor Bradley Cobb and Councilor Janelle Fullbright

Councilor Bill John Baker requested a friendly amendment on the second page of the plan where it says outpatient clinic to add "/inpatient". Councilor Cowan Watts didn't accept the friendly amendment. Councilor Bill John Baker referred to the veto message and the reference pertaining to the hospital being built as an inpatient facility and the need for an outpatient facility. Councilor Cowan Watts requested Ms. Gower's input. Ms. Gower agreed to the language or inpatient facility. Councilors Cowan Watts and Garvin accepted Ms. Gower's proposed language.

Councilor Cowan Watts moved for approval. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion.

After lengthy discussion Councilor Cowan Watts moved to recess until 2:00 p.m. today. Councilor Coates seconded the motion. Ms. Gower stated it would be extremely difficult for her to be here at 2:00 today with the grand opening of the recreation facility at Markoma.

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING THE CHEROKEE NATION HEALTH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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Councilor Cowan Watts moved to table. Councilor Coates seconded the motion. Councilor Cowan Watts called for the question. Councilor Glory-Jordan called point of order and inquired as to what is being tabled. Councilor Cowan Watts stated the entire agenda item, her motion and the amendment. Motion to table carried with Councilors Frailey and Bill John Baker opposed.

Councilor Frailey inquired as to how long the item would be tabled. Chair Cobb stated to next month. Councilor Coates explained the problem as if there were friendly amendments to be offered then the person who made the motion for approval would need to be present to either accept or decline the friendly amendments. The discussion was lengthy and carried out with no amendments offered. The Councilor who made the motion for approval had to leave for another appointment. Councilor Bill John agreed she would need to be present for friendly amendments but a motion for an amendment could be made and voted on separately.

Councilor Bill John Baker made a motion to take this resolution off of the table and continue discussion. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion failed roll call vote is as follows.

Yea: 8 - Bill John Baker; S. Joe Crittenden; David Thornton Sr. ; Meredith Frailey; Tina Glory Jordan; Jodie Fishinghawk; Bradley Cobb and Chuck Hoskin, Jr.

Nay: 8 - Don Garvin; Buel Anglen; Jack D. Baker; Janelle Fullbright; Harley Buzzard; Curtis Snell; Chris Soap and Julia Coates

Not In Room: 1 - Cara Cowan Watts

2. PRESENTATION OVERVIEW OF THE CHEROKEE NATION HOME HEALTH ORGANIZATION (discussion only)

Mr. Rick Richards gave an overview of the Cherokee Nation Home Health Program. He provided handouts of the Hospice program and the Advantage Waiver program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Cobb announced flu shots would be provided for the Council and staff on October 23rd at 12:30 here at the Council House.

Councilor Coates announced the Education and Culture meeting would begin at 1:30 instead of 1:00 p.m.

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING THE CHEROKEE NATION HEALTH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Sponsors: Councilor Bradley Cobb and Councilor Janelle Fullbright

Councilor Bill John Baker made a motion bring the Capitol health care improvement plan back off the table to vote on as amended no discussion. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Yea: 7 - Bill John Baker; S. Joe Crittenden; Tina Glory Jordan; Jodie Fishinghawk; Harley Buzzard; Bradley Cobb and Chuck Hoskin, Jr.

Nay: 6 - Don Garvin; Buel Anglen; Jack D. Baker; Curtis Snell; Chris Soap and Julia Coates

Not In Room: 4 - David Thornton Sr. ; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts and Janelle Fullbright

Councilor Bill John Baker made a motion to approve as amended. Councilor Coates seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Bill John Baker made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. Motion carried at 12:17 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Ida Webber Melissa Gower Gloria Grim
Rick Richards Gregg Simmons Melanie Knight
Marvin Jones*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Dr. Moble Marty Smith Robert Girty
Jim Ketcher*

APPROVAL / DISTRIBUTION

Minutes submitted by: Shelli Brittain, Legal & Legislative Coordinator

Motion to approve minutes made by: _____

Minutes attested and concurred by: _____

Date: _____