



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal  
Council  
17763 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final

### HEALTH SUB COMMITTEE - PUBLIC HEALTH

*Mike Dobbins, Chair*

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Tuesday, October 16, 2018

9:00 AM

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#### CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.**

#### INVOCATION

**Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.**

#### ROLL CALL

*Councilors Hatfield, Crittenden, Walkingstick, Hargis and Shambaugh all requested to be added as members of this subcommittee.*

**Present** 15 - Mike Dobbins; Mary Baker Shaw; Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Harley Buzzard; Rex Jordan; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez; Bryan Warner ; David Walkingstick; Frankie Hargis ; Mike Shambaugh; Shawn Crittenden and Wanda Hatfield

#### REPORTS:

*Dr. Charles Grim gave appreciation for the formation of this subcommittee.*

#### Adair County Life Expectancy Report - Dr. David Gahn

*Dr. David Gahn provided a handouts regarding the CDC report on the U.S. Small-area Life Expectancy Estimates Project: Methodology and Results Summary. This report shows a low life expectancy for Adair County more specifically Stilwell. He gave an overview of the report and the other handouts provided to show how the number were obtained and some of the issues with the data collected. Following numerous questions and clarification they discussed future plans to increase the life expectancy.*

#### Opioid Update - Dr. Roger Montgomery

*Dr. Roger Montgomery gave an overview of the opioid epidemic, the nationwide serious crisis and the Opioid Response Task Force. The Oklahoma Legislature is working toward a mandate on prescription opioids.*

OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

NEW BUSINESS

*None pending.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 10:09 a.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Charles Grim</i>	<i>David Gahn</i>	<i>John Young</i>
<i>Lisa Pivec</i>	<i>Roger Montgomery</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>
<i>Julie Anderson</i>	<i>Marcus Fears</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Tahlina Nofire Blakestad</i>	<i>Teddye Snell</i>
<i>Pam Sellers</i>	<i>Carolyn Allen</i>