

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Curtis Snell, Chair

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Monday, September 13, 2010

4:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Snell called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Bill John Baker gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Bill John Baker; Buel Anglen; Cara Cowan Watts; Chris Soap; Chuck Hoskin; Curtis Snell; David Thornton Sr.; Don Garvin; Harley Buzzard; Jack D. Baker; Jodie Fishinghawk; Julia Coates; S. Joe Crittenden and Tina Glory Jordan

Absent 2 - Bradley Cobb and Janelle Fullbright

Late Arrival 1 - Meredith Frailey

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Garvin moved to approve the August 16, 2010 regular session minutes. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - Angela Drewes

Ms. Paula Ragsdale offered to answer questions from the Management Resources report in the absence of Ms. Drewes. Councilor Cowan Watts requested the Claremore Federal building is placed on a maintenance schedule even though it isn't technically ours. Mr. Pat Ragsdale commented they have spoken to the BIA as they are the owners of the building in regard to its maintenance and upkeep.

2. Real Estate Services - Linda Donelson

Ms. Donelson reported the smoke shop lessee continue to do good business as they have had a couple of shops able to double their lease payments. A shop in Adair

County changed lessees for additional money. There may be two shops closing, one is in a poor location as it is close to a Creek shop and has a safety issues. The other is closing as they have decided they no longer want to be in the smoke shop business. Three shops closed due to the taxes being too high. Councilor Fishinghawk requested an update on the Sally Bull Hollow logging issue. Ms. Donelson announced they spoke to the Bureau last week and the forester has a report ready for the solicitor. They received indications of approximately \$10,000 for two acres of damages. Councilor Cowan Watts requested a copy of the Federal regulations regarding no destroying headstones be given to the Council. Councilor Glory-Jordan announced she never received the information requested pertaining to the amount of funds remaining in the Arkansas Riverbed monies. She stated she received a report showing all of the lands bought with Arkansas Riverbed funds and the amount of purchase. Mr. Ragsdale announced the remaining balance is approximately \$7.2ml per last year's audit report with approximately \$4ml not obligated at this time. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested the information by email. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested information about the closing on property purchased in Cherokee County. Ms. Donelson commented it was the car lot located next to the Court Mall on main street of Tahlequah. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested clarification as to the agreement for Councilor's to be notified prior to closing on properties. She requested notification be given to the Council members of the district within which the property is being closed on to allow them the information needed to be able to answer questions of the public. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested she and Councilor Bill John Baker be provided with the information pertaining to this sale. Ms. Donelson announced they had been authorized to attend an auction in Deleware County for 20 acres and in Sequoyah County for 160 acres.

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

Mr. Elkins announced they are assisting the Landfill as they are looking into constructing a landfill gas recovery system to recover the methane. He offered to answer questions from the written report provided.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO LEASE TRUST LAND TO TAHLEQUAH HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Soap seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Snell announced the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 11th at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to adjourn. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. Motion carried at 4:35 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Tom ElkinsMelanie KnightGinger BrownPat RagsdaleLinda DonelsonPaula Ragsdale

VISITORS PRESENT:

Ollie Starr Todd Hembree