



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

E.O. "Junior" Smith, Chair

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Monday, August 11, 2025

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Poindexter gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Legg moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Poindexter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Management Resources - David Moore

Mr. Moore offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls inquired if there was an update on the Lost City project.

Real Estate Services - Ginger Reeves

Ms. Reeves offered to answer questions from the report.

Secretary of Natural Resources - Christina Justice

Ms. Justice extended an invite to the upcoming Environmental Programs Conference. She offered to answer questions from the report.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [25-078](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT / SERVICE LINE AGREEMENT TO OZARKS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION TO SUPPLY ELECTRIC SERVICES ACROSS USA IN TRUST LAND FOR CHEROKEE NATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF MIKE AND JENNIFER TAYLOR IN SEQUOYAH COUNTY

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

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Patzkowski moved to amend the agenda to allow a Discussion and Possible Action item the recommendation of a district court location. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. The motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - RECOMMENDATION FOR DISTRICT COURT LOCATION

Chief of Staff Bunch gave a presentation of the Recommendation for District Court Location handout. He announced Attorney General Harsha, John Asbill and Judge Barteaux are with him for any questions. He stated the report analysis show Catoosa would be the best location for an additional district court location. He offered to answer questions from the presentation. Councilor Callison inquired about the number of court rooms. Councilor Dobbins inquired if they still use the Muskogee for the juvenile proceedings. Councilor Patzkowski inquired about the acreage at the Catoosa location. Councilor Shambaugh commented on the issues with the current Jay District Court location. Councilor McGeady inquired if they keep track of missed court dates due to the lack of transportation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Coates requested a vote be taken to approve the minutes.

Councilors Tehee and Shambaugh commented on their time served with Chair Smith as a Councilor.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:31 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Ginger Reeves
Christina Justice*

*Corey Bunch
Luke Barteaux*

*David Moore
Canaan Duncan*

Chad Harsha

John Asbill

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young
Ashley Grant

Teddy Snell
Clifton Hughes

Uriah Grass