



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Janees Taylor, Chair

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Wednesday, January 17, 2018

12:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Lay gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Buel Anglen; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Bryan Warner ; Janees Taylor; Joe Byrd; Victoria Vazquez; Frankie Hargis ; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mary Baker Shaw; Mike Dobbins and Mike Shambaugh

Absent 1 - Keith Austin

Late Arrival 3 - Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield and Harley Buzzard

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve the December 12th regular session minutes. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton reported they have finished their fourth quarter very strong. He announced the possibility of gaming in Arkansas is being considered again. He explained the determinate it would have on our Roland and West Siloam facilities if anyone else but us opened a gaming facility in to locations being considered in Arkansas. Once again this would have to go through the State of Arkansas ballot process. He presented the options we have at this point. Lengthy discussion was held on the possibilities and what was done the last time this issue arose. Councilor Baker Shaw asked if CNE gave TERO preference. She inquired how the local entertainment is booked and if we have a booking agent. She inquired about the Native American and Cherokee employment of our technology companies.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Ms. Horn reported the auditors are on site. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Lay inquired about the contract support cost settlement dollars being used for the shortage in the concurrent enrollment funds once the settlement is received. He inquired about the amount of shortfall within the concurrent enrollment.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Brenda Fitzgerald reported in the absence of Ms. Kelley. They are doing interviews for the two new grants received. They are gearing up for summer youth. They will be doing job shadowing next month for the business tech students. Chair Taylor inquired if a selection has been made for the Pryor office. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired about technology training. Councilor Crittenden requested assistance with a truancy issue in Adair County.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Byrd announced the continuing resolution being negotiated in Washington doesn't include the special diabetes program.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight provided a handout pertaining to the Section 184 Loan Program. She gave an update on the CNB TERO numbers within the report. Councilor Walkingstick requested clarification on the map and the Isave program.

CONSENT ITEMS:

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

A new Community Assistance list was provided. Mr. Reece requested the addition the following items for Councilor Warner: Marble City Community Organization for \$500 and Muldrow Cherokee Community Organization \$500. Councilor Smith requested the addition of the Vian Peace Center for \$500. Councilor Warner moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Reece announced the law enforcement funds are in the budget modification today and once passed at the Council meeting will add an approximate \$32,000 to each Councilor.

ROADS

Mr. Reece announced the addition of a Roads project for Councilor Jordan. Councilor Lay moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

Councilor Warner moved to approve the new list provided. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

Councilor Vazquez made a motion to approve. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [18-003](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM TO DONATE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT TO THE UNITED WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT FOUNDATION IN CHEROKEE COUNTY
Councilor Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Warner seconded the motion. Councilor Crittenden requested clarification.

CONSENT ITEMS:

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Councilor Walkingstick made a motion to reconsider the community assistance items. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilor Walkingstick moved to include \$500 to the Tailholt community from himself and \$250 each from Councilors Byrd and Jordan. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. [18-004](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #25-17 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 - MOD. 2; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Hatfield moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclamation.
3. [18-005](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #26-17 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 - MOD. 5; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclamation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Lay seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:09 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>Howard Paden</i>	<i>Jody Reece</i>
<i>Jamie Cole</i>	<i>Ryan Mackey</i>	<i>Chad Harsha</i>
<i>Willard Mounce</i>	<i>Tammy Dry</i>	<i>Rob Daugherty</i>
<i>Brenda Fitzgerald</i>	<i>Taylor Alsney</i>	<i>Anna Knight</i>
<i>Suzanne Drywater</i>	<i>Ron Etheridge</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Solen Deerinwater</i>	<i>Shawn Slaton</i>	<i>Teddy Snell</i>
<i>Tahlina Nofire Blakestad</i>		