

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex 17675 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Daryl Legg, Chair

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Monday, June 19, 2023 4:00 PM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Co Chair Shotpouch called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Austin gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Dora Patzkowski; Julia Coates; Keith Austin; Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden; Candessa Tehee; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Victoria Vazquez; Danny Callison and Johnny

Kidwell

Absent 2 - Joe Deere and Daryl Legg

Late Arrival 2 - Wes Nofire and Mike Shambaugh

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Crittenden moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Jennifer Kirby

Ms. Kirby announced they are busy with emergencies from the storm over the past weekend. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Austin inquired what type of assistance is being offered to storm victims. Councilor Callison inquired about food replenishment from the storm. Councilor Shambaugh inquired about generators. Councilor Smith requested clarification on food loss if it came from our food distribution program.

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn announced on July 11th they will have the grand opening of the water treatment plant. He provided an update on the Indian Road project and the Dwight Mission Road project. He offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Todd Enlow

Mr. Enlow announced they held bid openings for five homes today. They are in the process of doing 75 replacement homes for citizens with their own property. The footers have been started on the new addition in Tahlequah. The dirt work has began in the Stilwell addition. The closing date for bids on the Muskogee addition has been extended. Applicants have been identified for 7 of the homes in the Mige Glory Addition. Mr. Enlow extended an invitation for the Council to visit the homes in the Mige Glory addition. He stated next month he would like to highlight the EARP Program. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Austin inquired as to the number of homes currently in some phase of construction. Councilor Smith inquired about the number of contractors since COVID. Councilor Shambaugh inquired if they would still consider mobile homes. Councilor Callison inquired about the cost per foot of a prefab home. Councilor Nofire inquired about the timeline for a construction crew to become TERO certified.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 23-029

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Councilor Sam moved to approve and forward to Council this evening. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Councilor Vazquez and Austin requested to be added as sponsors. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Shambaugh requested the Career Tech schools information be sent to the high schools within our reservation.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Crittenden moved to adjourn. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried. at 4:37 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Taralee Montgomery Todd Enlow Corey Bunch Jennifer Kirby Michael Lynn Chuck Hoskin Jr.

VISITORS PRESENT:

Teddye Snell

John Young