

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Council House 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Meeting Minutes - Draft EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jodie Fishinghawk, Chair

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Thursday, March 28, 2013

3:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Co Chair Hoskin Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:41 p.m.

**INVOCATION** 

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin Jr.; Curtis Snell; David Thornton, Sr.; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Julia Coates; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; David

Walkingstick; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Late Arrival 2 - Meredith Frailey and Cara Cowan Watts

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the February 11, 2013 reconvened session and the February 28, 2013 regular session minutes. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### REPORTS:

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to dispense with the verbal reports this month and stand on written reports. Anyone having questions can submit those in writing to that program director. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Commerce - Anna Knight

Historical Society - Mike Kelley / Susan Chapman Plumb

## CONSENT ITEMS:

#### T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### CEMETERY RESTORATION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### **COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE**

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve with the amendment to add \$1,000 to Briggs School split between the District 1 Councilors. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. Councilor Garvin requested to add to the Town of Porum, Hilldale, Muskogee, Ft. Gibson and Warner \$1,500 each. Councilor Byrd added \$1,000 to Lowrey School split between the three District 1 Councilors. Councilor Hoskin Jr. requested \$1,200 to Blue Jacket Little League. Councilor Byrd requested \$500 to Cedar Tree Church split between the District 1 Councilors. Councilor Hargis added Rocky Mountain in the amount of \$500. Councilor Glory-Jordan withdrew her motion until the updated list is provided.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Councilor Anglen added Skiatook, Owasso, Sperry and Collinsville Police departments. Councilor Garvin added Ft. Gibson, Muskogee and Warner for \$4,306 each. Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### **COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE**

Councilor Glory-Jordan made a motion to approve the list being provided now with the addition of the items discussed earlier. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### CEMETERY RESTORATION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Councilor Baker made a motion to reconsider the cemeteries since there were several added to the list. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Councilor Baker made a motion to approve the amended cemetery list with the additions. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested Barber Cemetery, Cedar Tree Cemetery and Miller Cemetery be added to the list. The request was accepted. The motion to approve carried.

#### **ROADS**

Councilor Garvin moved to approve with the addition of Texanna Road in Muskogee County for \$105,709. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. TMP-250 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - GRAND GATEWAY FUNDS

Councilor Lay moved to table for one month. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. TMP-251 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - CARRYOVER FUNDS

Councilor Lay moved to table for one month. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. TMP-253 DISCUSSION: STATUS REPORT ON CLINIC EXPANSION LAND ACQUISITIONS

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to table to the end of the meeting. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. 13-050 AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #37-12 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 - MOD. 7a; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved to approve with an amendment to include:

\$150,000 to Real Estate Services,

\$7,500 in Charitable Contributions to go to the Pocahontas Club,

\$67,000 to fund travel carry over for the Tribal Council,

\$20,000 to fund the Tri-Council meeting,

\$200,000 to vocational training,

\$300,000 to fund ICW shortfall.

Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion with a friendly amendment to increase the Cherokee Phoenix budget by \$200,000 to bring back the free subscriptions. The friendly was not accepted. Councilor Cowan Watts withdrew her second. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion. Councilor Baker requested time be allowed for the Cherokee Heritage Center to present their request for additional funding. Councilor Glory-Jordan corrected her motion to the vocational training to \$250,000. Mr. Michael Kelley President of the Heritage Center and Susan Chapman Plumb the Vice President gave a presentation of the need of the Heritage Center. Councilor Baker offered a friendly amendment to add \$150,000 to the Cherokee Heritage Center budget for 2013. Councilor Glory-Jordan didn't accept. Councilor Baker made a motion to give the Cherokee Heritage Center and additional \$150,000 for the 2013 budget. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. After lengthy discussion and debate the motion was withdrawn by Councilor Baker to be brought back on the regular agenda in April. Councilor Cowan Watts made a motion to create a fund in the amount of \$200,000 to restore the free Cherokee Phoenix subscriptions to citizens. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion.

After lengthy discussion was held the motion for the Cherokee Phoenix free subscriptions failed with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 7 - Buel Anglen; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates and Lee Keener Jr.

Nay: 10 - Chuck Hoskin Jr.; Curtis Snell; David Thornton, Sr.; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Chair Hoskin Jr. stated we are now back to the main motion as amended. Councilor Glory-Jordan restated the correction of the vocational training request for \$250 instead of \$200. She restated the list of amendments and amounts.

The motion to approve Mod 7 as amended carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 13 - Chuck Hoskin Jr.; Curtis Snell; David Thornton, Sr.; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Nay: 4 - Buel Anglen; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates and Lee Keener Jr.

2. TMP-256 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: TERO ACT SECTION 7 - TERO FEES FOR JOB TRAINING

Councilor Cowan Watts stated information has been provided today and made a motion to table for one month to allow ample time to review the information provided. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OB#3 TMP-253 DISCUSSION: STATUS REPORT ON CLINIC EXPANSION LAND ACQUISITIONS

Councilor Fishinghawk withdrew this item.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Hoskin Jr. announced a single Toyota key has been found under a chair in the lobby, if this is yours Gayle has it at her desk. He further announced the regular Council and committee meetings for April 15th will be moved to April 22nd pursuant to the poll taken by Shelli Brittain today.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Thornton moved to adjourn. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:30 p.m.

## STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Hembree	Anna Knight	Ashley Canoe
Jon Overacker	Connie Davis	Lacey Horn
Jody Reece	Marsha Lamb	Terrisa Muskrat
Chelsea Wilson	Ami Sams	Bryan Pollard

Dr. Gloria Sly Jamie Cole Courtney Roark Thompson

Lisa Long Diane Kelley Elizabeth Odell

## VISITORS PRESENT:

Shawn Slaton Doug Evans Dianne Barker Harrold

Raymond Vann Larry Horn Roy Hamilton

Michael Kelley Susan Chapman Plumb