



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

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Monday, June 14, 2010

4:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Snell called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ex-officio Member John Master was present.

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

Absent 1 - Chris Soap

Late Arrival 2 - Jodie Fishinghawk and Meredith Frailey

INVOCATION

Councilor Crittenden gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jack D. Baker moved to approve the May 10th regular session minutes. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Management Resources - Angela Drewes

Ms. Drewes offered to answer questions from her written report. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested a summary of all land bought with NAHASDA funding and if any of that land is currently being utilized for housing. Ms. Drewes commented the information has been compiled and it was her belief it was to be distributed during the Community Services meeting tomorrow. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the status of thinning the pine plantation. Ms. Drewes stated they have worked with the Bureau and have tried to get a forest management plan in place which at this time has not been approved. She commented there are also issues with not having a place to take the timber once it is thinned and finding someone to do the actual thinning.

2. Real Estate Services - Linda Donelson

Ms. Donelson announced the Muskogee Clinic is now in trust. She offered to answer questions from her report. Councilor Fullbright inquired about the trust status of the property behind the Redbird Smith Clinic. Ms. Donelson commented the process is not yet complete; they are currently waiting for the publication in the newspaper. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the trust status of the Claremore Federal building. Ms. Donelson stated an opinion is being obtained from the solicitor to determine what status, fee or trust, the property should be given to us in.

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

Mr. Bob Short reported for Mr. Elkins. Mr. Short announced they assisted in Hazwoper training for an additional 60 tribal members to apply for jobs in the gulf. Councilor Frailey inquired as to the results of the samples taken at Spring Creek. Mr. Short stated he had not yet been provided with those results.

OLD BUSINESS

1. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF REAL PROPERTY BY DONATION OR GIFT FROM INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS AND ENTITIES TO THE CHEROKEE NATION
Councilor Cowan Watts provided an alternate Act to be considered in place of the Act included in the packet. She stated this is one of three items pertaining to this issue and offered to table to allow time for review.
Councilor Cowan Watts moved to table for one month. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to amend the agenda to add three items as follows: 1) A resolution donating computers and printers to the Claremore Veterans Center 2) A resolution pertaining to Sequoyah High School individual development accounts and 3) A Brownsfield grant. Councilor Bill John Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DONATION OF THREE COMPUTERS AND TWO PRINTERS TO THE CLAREMORE VETERANS CENTER IN CLAREMORE, OKLAHOMA

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve and forward to Full Council tonight. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES' ASSETS FOR INDEPENDENCE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH AN INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS PROGRAM FOR SEQUOYAH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve and forward to Full Council tonight.

Councilor Bill John Baker seconded the motion. Councilor Glory-Jordan inquired if this program would in anyway hinder a student in obtaining other scholarships. Ms. Ragsdale stated she would obtain the information prior to the Council meeting. Motion carried.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR A BROWNFIELDS GRANT

Councilor Cowan Watts moved to approve and forward to Full Council tonight. Councilor Jack D. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Snell announced the next meeting will be held on July 12th at 4:00 p.m.

Councilor Jack D. Baker announced the Executive & Finance PAC Sub Committee meeting will take place immediately following the adjournment of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Bill John Baker moved to adjourn. Motion carried at 4:55 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Angela Drewes
Chad Smith
Bob Short*

*Linda Donelson
Mike Miller*

*Ginger Brown
Paula Ragsdale*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Shirley Crowder

Ollie Starr