



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

Tina Glory-Jordan, Speaker

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Monday, August 10, 2015

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Tina Glory-Jordan
Speaker of the Council

Speaker Glory Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

Present 17 - David Walkingstick; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Tina Glory Jordan; Joe Byrd; David Thornton, Sr.; Frankie Hargis; Don Garvin; Curtis Snell; Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Jack D. Baker and Victoria Vazquez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Baker moved to approve the July 30th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Lay moved to amend the agenda to include 4 items passed out of committees earlier today. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STATE OF THE NATION

Bill John Baker
Principal Chief

Deputy Chief S. Joe Crittenden gave the State of the Nation as Chief Baker is currently attending the At Large meetings. The new Macy's center was dedicated last

week in Owasso. Plans are in the works for the 63rd Cherokee National Holiday held over Labor Day weekend. He invited everyone to the August 14th inauguration of the newly re-elected Cherokee Nation Chief and Deputy Chief along with eight Tribal Council members. He recognized and gave appreciation to the outgoing Tribal Councilors for their commitment and service to our tribal citizens. He requested a moment of silence for those Cherokee citizens who we have lost over the last month.

CHEROKEE WARRIOR VETERAN AWARDS

S. Joe Crittenden

Deputy Principal Chief

Deputy Chief Crittenden recognized Veterans Bobby Swepston and Garl Willis.

ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Housing Authority - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper wasn't available to report as he is in Negotiated Rule Making hearings.

Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton reported on the September financial results. They contributed a little over \$300,000 in tax collections to the tribe. He gave an update on the current projects. Cherokee Nation 3S a company within our environmental and construction portfolio was recently named Professional Service Firm of the Year during the Oklahoma Minority Enterprise Development Week. Mr. Slaton gave an update on the current employee numbers with a total Native American employment of 82.1%. Councilor members gave appreciation for the hard work and the ever increasing Cherokee employment percentage.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [15-063](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE SPECIAL DIABETES PROGRAM FOR INDIANS COMMUNITY - DIRECTED GRANT PROGRAM**

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. Councilor Byrd requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

2. [15-058](#) **A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**
- Councilor Fullbright moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. Councilor Byrd requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.
3. [15-064](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF LAND IN TRUST - OAKS MISSION SCHOOL (ROCKY FORD) 5.0 ACRES**
- Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. Councilors Byrd and Coates requested to be added as sponsors. The motion carried.
4. [15-067](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT TO DONATE SURPLUS OFFICE EQUIPMENT TO MOFFETT POLICE DEPARTMENT IN SEQUOYAH COUNTY**
- Councilor Fullbright moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. Councilor Byrd requested to be added as a sponsor. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Speaker Glory Jordan offered each of the outgoing Councilor members an opportunity to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 6:35 p.m.

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, September 14th at 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.