



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Frankie Hargis, Chair

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Tuesday, February 16, 2016

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hargis called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis ; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell; Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner and Keith Austin

Late Arrival 4 - David Thornton, Sr. ; Victoria Vazquez; Dick Lay and David Walkingstick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jordan moved to approve the January 11th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Ms. Kathy Smith reported in the absence of Mr. Valliere. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. She reported the MRI is up and running as of last week. Councilor Byrd inquired as to the electronic system used in their pharmacy. Councilor Byrd requested an update on the orthopedic services.

2. Cherokee Nation Health Services - Connie Davis

Ms. Davis gave the highlights from the report provided. She announced March 5th is their annual Doctor Appreciation event at the Hard Rock. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Vazquez inquired about the behavioral health staff in Vinita. Councilor Taylor inquired about the trend of the Zika virus. Councilor Lay inquired if there is an eye doctor at the Cooweescoowee Clinic. He requested clarification on the third party billing status. He also inquired about a workout facility at that clinic. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the recruitment

efforts in Stilwell. He voiced concerned for a sign in the clinic saying "can't see a doctor today". Councilor Buzzard inquired about the status of the old medical records now that they are electronic. He requested additional information on the Hepatics C. Councilor Lay inquired about sleep apnea equipment. He also asked about the appointment reminder calls.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Jordan moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion.
The motion carried at 1:26 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Jeff Sanders</i>	<i>Dr. Steve Jones</i>	<i>Connie Davis</i>
<i>Bret Hayes</i>	<i>Ami Sams</i>	<i>Brian Hail</i>
<i>Dr. Charles Grim</i>	<i>Tyler Thomas</i>	<i>Chief Bill John Baker</i>
<i>Dr. Roger Montgomery</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Kathy Smith</i>	<i>Teddye Snell</i>	<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>
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