



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Janees Taylor, Chair

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Thursday, September 29, 2016

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Frankie Hargis ; Curtis Snell; Janees Taylor; David Thornton, Sr. ; Victoria Vazquez; Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay and Bryan Warner

Absent 1 - Don Garvin

Late Arrival 1 - David Walkingstick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the August budget hearing and regular session minutes. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Shawn Slaton

Mr. Slaton gave an update on the July financials and gave an update on the pending projects. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the restaurant plans at Grove. Chair Taylor requested Mr. Steven Bilby from CNB provided a report and presentation on our diversified businesses. Mr. Slaton introduced and gave a brief background on Mr. Bilby. Mr. Bilby provided a handout of information pertaining to our diversified businesses and gave a detailed overview. He offered to answer questions from the information provided. Questions were asked regarding the employee hours at CNI.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Lacey Horn

Ms. Horn reported they have closed the loan with Bank of Oklahoma for the Tahlequah Joint Venture project. She provided clarification on the employee payroll hitting their accounts a day early this week. She provided highlights from the list of items donated to the Cherokee Nation. She offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley provided highlights from the Annual TERO Golf Tournament. She commented several of her staff for their hard work. The TERO Banquet will be held on November 17th at Hard Rock. She announced the NORA Summit will be held at NSU on the 25th of October. Signs are up at both the Sallisaw and Claremore office locations. She gave updates on several of the companies they are assisting. She announced they would be participating in the Chili Cook-off in the Pryor Industrial Park in conjunction with the National Manufacturing month. They are sending a team to NCAI to assist Councilor Byrd in his role as one of our area Vice Presidents. She gave an update on job development.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Mr. Steven Highers reported for Ms. Knight. He provided highlights from the report provided and offered to answer questions.

CONSENT ITEMS:

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Councilor Thornton moved to approve the new list as provided. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ROADS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

Councilor Thornton moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

Councilor Hargis moved to approve. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilor Baker made a motion within the consent items to process a reallocation for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council FY16 budget for accounting unit 1010700 to allow for a \$10,000.00 donation from the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. Councilor Walkingstick gave an update on the situation at Standing Rock with the pipeline. The motion carried with Councilor Hargis abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Baker announced it is Councilor Byrd who requested the donation to the Standing Rock Sioux and he appreciates the effort. Councilor Byrd stated he has spoken to their chief and gave an update on his plans.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:04 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>Jamie Cole</i>	<i>Connie Chandler</i>
<i>Jody Reece</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>	<i>Willard Mounce</i>
<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Bill John Baker</i>	<i>Steven Highers</i>
<i>Kim Tehee</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>	<i>Steven Bilby</i>	<i>Shaun Slaton</i>
<i>Adam McCreary</i>		