



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Frankie Hargis, Chair

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Monday, January 16, 2017

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Councilor Taylor gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent 2 - Curtis Snell and Wanda Hatfield

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker moved to approve. Councilor Taylor commented a page of the minutes is missing. Councilor Baker moved to approve these minutes until next month. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Ms. Kathy Smith reported for Mr. Valliere. She provided an update on the new staffing changes and the status of the orthopedic services contract. Councilor Anglen inquired about the MRI. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the hold up on the orthopedic services contract.

2. Cherokee Nation Health Services - Connie Davis

Ms. Davis gave highlights from the report. She commented the number reported for patients seen at Hastings is listed incorrectly. Councilor Byrd requested a narrative of how the changes in the Affordable Care Act may affect us. Several questions and clarification was requested in regard to requiring insurance for elective surgeries. Councilor Crittenden voiced concern for patients being told there is a waiting list for

cancer patients. He inquired about a waiting list for appointments in the Women's Clinic. Ms. Davis requested to meet with Councilor Crittenden after the meeting to obtain additional information. Councilor Crittenden inquired if the CN had a methadone clinic. Councilor Lay requested an update on vacant positions at the Nowata and Ochelata clinics. Ms. Davis provided a report updating the vacancies at all of the facilities. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the Hepatitis shots. He requested they review the consent to treatment form in regard to who the records are available to see. Ms. Davis finished her report overview. She announced the groundbreaking for Hastings is the 17th of February at 11:00 a.m. Councilor Walkingstick inquired if the memo regarding communication had gone out as discussed last month. He requested clarification on the performance incentive for the doctors. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about exit interviews. Councilor Warner inquired about our customer service training for the employees. She requested a couple of minutes to share the new recruitment video.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Taylor commended Lisa Lyons for her work with the Hepatitis Study.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Thornton moved to adjourn. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:03 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Connie Davis</i>	<i>Charles Grim</i>	<i>Stephanie Wickliffe</i>
<i>James Stallcup</i>	<i>Steve Jones</i>	<i>Jeff Sanders</i>
<i>Bret Hayes</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>
<i>John Paden</i>	<i>Barbara Foreman</i>	<i>Nikki Limore</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

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