



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Dick Lay, Chair

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Monday, November 13, 2017

4:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lay called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Crittenden gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Dick Lay; Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner; David Walkingstick; Keith Austin; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 1 - Frankie Hargis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jordan made a motion to approve the October 23rd regular session minutes. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

Ms. Lamb provided a report on the LIHEAP program. She offered to answer questions from the report.

Community Services - Ron Qualls

Mr. Billy Hix reported in the absence of Mr. Qualls. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on a water and sewer applicants who purchase from individuals.

Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

Mr. Hix offered to answer questions for Roads in the absence of Mr. Lynn. Councilor Byrd asked about the Rocky Ford low water parking area. Councilor Shambaugh

requested an update on the Leach Kenwood road. Questions were asked about the liquidated damages and why this contractor keeps getting additional bids. Councilor Smith inquired about a completion date for Moonshine road.

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper offered to answer questions from the report provided. He announced they currently have 235 employees at the HACN, 95.3% are Cherokee and 98.7% are Native American. Councilor Buzzard inquired about a timeline for a new home. Chair Lay inquired of those several hundred on lined up for housing are they with land or without. He requested details about the process and the phases for homeowner applicants. Councilor Smith inquired if the homes are by area or application date. Councilor Byrd inquired what applicants are told if they ask where they are in the process for new homeownership.

Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Dobbins inquired about the status of the request for financial information on the change in the I-save program. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on the Commerce Department using the 184 loan program versus the HACN using the program.

Indian Child Welfare - Nikki Baker Limore

No one was present to report.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

Mr. Daugherty commented this is his first time to report to this committee and it would relate to the community side of their outreach. He provided a handout of contact information within his department. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. He reported there are 3 new organizations seeking their assistance at this time. Councilor Byrd inquired about the number of Cherokees at each event. He requested assistance for the Rocky Ford group. Councilor Hatfield inquired if this contact information is for At Large also. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired when the next CCO meeting would be held. Councilor Buzzard complemented him on the contact information packet.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Jordan moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion.
The motion carried at 4:38 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Marsha Lamb</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>
<i>Anna Knight</i>	<i>Tammy Dry</i>	<i>Courtney Jordan</i>
<i>Rob Daugherty</i>	<i>Billy Hix</i>	<i>Willard Mounce</i>
<i>Todd Hembree</i>	<i>Regina Compelube</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Gary Cooper</i>	<i>Teddy Snell</i>	<i>Tahlina Nofire Blakestad</i>
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