

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Cherokee Nation Complex 17675 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Meeting Minutes - Final RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Rex Jordan, Chair

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Tuesday, January 16, 2018	2:00 PM	Tribal Council Offices

# CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

# INVOCATION

Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.

# ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Keith Austin; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Frankie Hargis; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; Janees Taylor and Victoria Vazquez

- Absent 1 Harley Buzzard
- Late Arrival 1 Bryan Warner

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the December 11, 2017 regular session minutes. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# **REPORTS:**

1. Management Resources - Bruce Davis

*Mr.* Davis announced the cold weather has kept them busy with fire wood, hot water tanks, stoves, building fence for the elders. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Byrd inquired about the process for obtaining a wood or pellet stove in an emergency situation. Councilor Shambaugh gave appreciation for the quick turnaround of Mr. Davis and his staff.

2. Real Estate Services - Ginger Brown Reeves

*Ms.* Reeves offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about reasoning for some of our properties not being placed in trust status.

3. Environmental Programs - Tom Elkins

*Ms.* Sara Hill offered to answer questions for *Mr.* Elkins. She reported on their home energy audit program. They are applying for the first time to get non-point dollars in the 319 program dollars. She also touched on the underground storage tank issues. Appreciation was given to Councilor Smith for his attendance at their commission meeting.

4. Secretary of Natural Resources - Sara Hill

Ms. Hill touched on the VW settlement. An update was provided on the Chillocco situation. The 2018 hunting and fishing licenses have all been mailed out. Councilor Anglen inquired about elderly ladies receiving the hunting and fishing license they haven't requested. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired if an At Large citizen could get a temporary license while visiting within the state of Oklahoma. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the murphy case and requested an update on the clean line issue in Sequoyah County. Councilor Shambaugh inquired about the Nation having a wildlife department. Councilor Crittenden inquired about filling the vacancy left by Sheila Bird and the status of those program funds. Councilor Smith inquired if the hunting license will be issued with the same antlered requirements. Councilor Hatfield inquired if when the hunting and fishing compact is renegotiated it would be possible for At Large citizens of Oklahoma to be able to receive the licenses.

#### OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

#### NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Lay seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:40 p.m.

### STAFF PRESENT:

Ginger Reeves G. V. Gulager Canaan Duncan Sara Hill Chad Harsha Bill John Baker Bruce Davis Taylor Alsney

#### VISITORS PRESENT:

Tahlina Nofire Blakestad Janice Randall Teddye Snell