



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
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## Tribal Council Minutes - Final TRIBAL COUNCIL

*Joe Byrd, Speaker*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain*

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Monday, February 12, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

Joe Byrd  
Speaker of the Council

**Speaker Byrd called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Speaker Byrd gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

Shelli Brittain  
Legal & Legislative Coordinator

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

**Absent** 1 - Mary Baker Shaw

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**Councilor Hargis made a motion to approve the**

### STATE OF THE NATION

Bill John Baker  
Principal Chief

*Chief Baker announced they gave 3,059 valentines to the Veterans at the VA Center in Claremore. The third party collections are up \$9.5ml for the first quarter and a good portion of these funds will be used for additional contract health services. The topping out ceremony at Hastings will be March 9th. Chuck Hoskin, Sr. has been named a NSU Centurion this year. He gave a list of those Cherokees whom we have lost over the last month and requested a moment of silence.*

CHEROKEE WARRIOR VETERAN AWARDS

S. Joe Crittenden  
Deputy Principal Chief

*Deputy Chief Crittenden recognized Cherokee Veterans David Lee Hall, Tommy Clark Moore and Joe Kenneth Cummings with the Cherokee Medal of Patriotism.*

ACTION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*None pending.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Cherokee Nation Business, LLC - Shawn Slaton

*Mr. Slaton reported although January began slowly it closed strong. They are ready to come out of the ground on April 1st with the Tahlequah project. They attended a construction manager bid today for the replacement of the Sprung structure at the Hard Rock. They are accepting grant applications from the elementary schools for the spring education tours. Mr. Slaton announced Beth West, Cherokee Casino Food & Beverage Manager, was recently honored by the Tulsa YMCA for her dedication to the community. The Cherokee Art Market is hosting an art competition for the youth in April. Some of the Community Impact Leaders in attendance presented this year's check for the Heart of the Nation Campaign in the amount of \$16,595.*

OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

NEW BUSINESS

AMEND THE AGENDA

**Councilor Walkingstick moved to amend the agenda to include a resolution authorizing the lease to Oklahoma State University. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

Rules Committee

- 1. [18-001](#) **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DR. CHARLES GRIM AS A BOARD MEMBER OF CHEROKEE NATION HEALTH PARTNERS**

**Sponsors:** Mike Dobbins, Mary Baker Shaw, Buel Anglen, Keith Austin, Harley Buzzard, Joe Byrd, Shawn Crittenden, Frankie Hargis, Wanda Hatfield,

Rex Jordan, Dick Lay, Mike Shambaugh, E. O. "JR." Smith, Janees Taylor, Victoria Vazquez, David Walkingstick and Bryan Warner

**Councilor Dobbins moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. All Councilors present requested to be added as sponsors. The motion carried.**

Enactment No: R-003-18

2. [18-002](#)

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF T. LUKE BARTEAUX AS A DISTRICT JUDGE OF THE CHEROKEE NATION DISTRICT COURT**

**Sponsors:** Joe Byrd, Frankie Hargis, Victoria Vazquez, Buel Anglen, Keith Austin, Harley Buzzard, Shawn Crittenden, Mike Dobbins, Wanda Hatfield, Rex Jordan, Dick Lay, Mike Shambaugh, E. O. "JR." Smith, Janees Taylor, David Walkingstick and Bryan Warner

**Councilor Warner moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. All Councilors present requested to be added as sponsors. The motion carried.**

**Supreme Court Chief Justice Garrett preformed the swearing in ceremony.**

Enactment No: R-004-18

3. [18-007](#)

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CHEROKEE CITIZEN TERRELL BARNOSKI**

**Sponsors:** Joe Byrd

**Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

Enactment No: R-005-18

4. [18-006](#)

**ACT RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT SCHOLARSHIP ACT OF 2011 TO REVISE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

**Sponsors:** David Walkingstick, Dick Lay, Bryan Warner, Mary Baker Shaw and Shawn Crittenden

**Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclamation.**

Enactment No: LA-02-18

Executive and Finance Committee

5. [18-003](#)

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM TO DONATE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT TO THE UNITED WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT FOUNDATION IN CHEROKEE COUNTY**

**Sponsors:** Joe Byrd, Rex Jordan, Victoria Vazquez and Bryan Warner

**A motion was made by Councilor Bryan Warner , seconded by Councilor David Walkingstick, that this matter be Approved . The motion carried unanimously**

by Voice Vote

Enactment No: R-006-18

6. [18-004](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #25-17 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 - MOD. 2; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**Sponsors:** Janees Taylor

Councilor Taylor moved to approve. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclamation.

Enactment No: LA-03-18

7. [18-005](#) **AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #26-17 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 - MOD. 5; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**Sponsors:** Janees Taylor

Councilor Austin moved to approve. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried by acclamation.

Enactment No: LA-04-18

8. [18-016](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE TO OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Sponsors:** Mike Dobbins, Keith Austin, Rex Jordan and Joe Byrd

Councilor Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Enactment No: R-007-18

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Lay seconded the motion. The motion carried at 6:12 p.m.

Next Tribal Council meeting will be held on Monday, March 12th at 6:00 p.m. at the tribal headquarters, W.W. Keeler Complex.