

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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

Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Dick Lay, Chair

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Monday, March 12, 2018	4:00 PM	Tribal Council Offices	

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lay called the meeting to order at 4:26 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Shambaugh gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

 Present 14 - Dick Lay; Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner; Keith Austin; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Frankie Hargis; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith and Janees Taylor
Absent 1 - Wanda Hatfield

Late Arrival 2 - David Walkingstick and Victoria Vazquez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the February 12th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

Ms. Lamb offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Baker Shaw requested clarification on the jurisdictional lines for the clothing programs and if there are any exceptions. Councilor Buzzard inquired about getting the waiver for donated foods in South Miami. Chair Lay requested clarification on the waiver. Councilor Shambaugh requested an update on the nutrition center he had spoken to her about.

Community Services - Ron Qualls

Mr. Michael Lynn offered to answer questions from *Mr.* Qualls report. Councilor Byrd inquired if the self-help program for materials still exists.

Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn gave an update on the road projects. On February 27th they attended a meeting at the Cherokee Nation Veteran's Center where they along with the transit agencies in the area have agreed to coordinate transportation for veterans. Cherokee Nation day at the Capitol is this week. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Anglen inquired if he has spoken to the engineers on the range road. Councilor Crittenden requested clarification and history on the Bell road. Councilor Shambaugh requested an update on the Leach/Kenwood road.

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper provided the employment numbers for the Housing Authority as of the end of February. Councilor Taylor requested clarification on the numbers provided in the HUD VASH report. Councilor Warner requested clarification on the placement of families within foreclosed homes.

Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

Ms. Shay Smith reported for *Ms.* Knight. She gave some highlights for the Voluntary Tax Preparation Program. Councilor Hargis inquired if it is only the simple forms with the tax preparation.

Indian Child Welfare - Nikki Baker Limore

Ms. Charla Miller reported for *Ms.* Limore. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired if the placement process is different from state to state.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

Mr. Daugherty reported they have students from Texas Tech, the University of Connecticut and Ohio State volunteering while on Spring break. The University of Missouri will arrive on March 26th and Ohio State will return in May. A cultural presentation will be held in Watts tomorrow night. Councilor Baker Shaw inquired if the website is up to date.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Byrd requested everyone keep Councilor Hatfield's husband in their prayers as he isn't doing well at all.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 5:01 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Marsha Lamb	Michael Lynn	Rob Daugherty
Courtney Jordan	Chuck Hoskin Jr.	Charla Miller
Shay Smith	Billy Hix	Bill John Baker
Canaan Duncan		

VISITORS PRESENT:

Gary Cooper

Teddye Snell

Tahlina Nofire Blakestad