

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Cherokee Nation Tribal Council 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Meeting Minutes - Final CULTURE COMMITTEE

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Thursday, May 31, 2018 11:00 AM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Co Chair Byrd called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

INVOCATION

Mr. Rob Daugherty gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Dick Lay; Bryan Warner; Joe Byrd; Janees Taylor; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw and E. O. "JR." Smith

Absent 4 - Buel Anglen; Rex Jordan; Frankie Hargis and Victoria Vazquez

Late Arrival 1 - Harley Buzzard

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Shaw made a motion to approve the March 29th regular session. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### REPORTS:

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Ms. Jarvis gave an overview of the report provided and offered to answer questions. Councilor Shaw inquired about the number of OSU Medical Students who participated in the Native Explorers. Councilor Crittenden requested she elaborate on the National Treasurers book receiving an award. Councilor Warner gave appreciation for the Cherokee Days event held at Sequoyah's Cabin. Councilor Smith requested additional signage off of I-40 for Sequoyah's Cabin.

Cherokee Nation Language Program - Roy Boney / John Ross

Mr. Boney reported on the Speaker's Bureau meeting. He gave details about the upcoming Ignite Conference. They are working with Bryan Shade to develop a website

exclusively dedicated to the Cherokee language. The Cherokee language classes are wrapping up.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

Mr. Daugherty provided a handout and gave an overview of the upcoming Conference of Community Leaders. He offered to answer questions pertaining to the report.

Historical Society - Charles Gourd

Dr. Gourd gave highlights from the report provided. He yielded time to Ollie Starr to give an overview and background of the upcoming Pocahontas Club event at the Heritage Center. She provided a handout of the event festivities.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### 1. TMP-367

Short film showing "Medicine Keepers" Cherokee Speakers, regarding need for land in Cherokee Nation for medicine plants at risk of becoming extinct

Presented by: Sara Hill, Secretary of Natural Resources

Ms. Sara Hill introduced Anna Sixkiller and Pat Gwin as part of the Medicine Keepers. Mr. Gwin gave a background prior to the start of the film. Mr. Gwin introduced Nancy Rackliff and Kevin Daugherty. Chair Byrd commented on locating land for the medicine keepers. Councilor Crittenden suggested the purchase of the Rock Fence property.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None pending.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Warner moved to adjourn. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried at 12:06 p.m.

### STAFF PRESENT:

Canaan Duncan	Roy Boney	Rob Daugherty
Tammy Miller	Pat Gwin	Sara Hill
John Young	Anna Sixkiller	Bill John Baker

#### VISITORS PRESENT:

Molly Jarvis	Tahlina Nofire Blakestad	Travis Owens
Chery Trask	Ollie Starr	Charles Gourd
Teddye Snell		