



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Mary Baker Shaw, Chair

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Monday, September 10, 2018

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shaw called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Buzzard gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent 2 - Shawn Crittenden and David Walkingstick

Late Arrival 1 - Wanda Hatfield

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Mr. Valliere gave highlights from the report provided. Councilor Austin inquired if the move of the contract health staff included the Cherokee Nation staff also. Clarification was requested if the move was temporary or permanent. Concern was voiced for the move of the contract health off campus. Chair Shaw commented on the orthopedic contract.

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Charles Grim

Dr. Grim introduced Dr. Roger Montgomery and stated he is back as our Executive Medical Director. Dr. Doug Nolan is now back to his regular role. He also announced that Bret Hayes will be taking a new role with the Creeks. Dr. Grim stated he would

send an email with Dr. Montgomery's contact information and the name and contact information for the new contract health person. He talked about the move of the Claremore contract health office. He provided a handout of the new health committee report format and touched on the highlights. Once again Councilors voiced concern for the move of the contract health office away from the Claremore hospital. Councilor Buzzard inquired about a modular building on site at the hospital. Councilor Byrd inquired about help for a citizen who is out of country needing medical attention. He offered to answer questions from the report. Chair Shaw inquired about the status of the panel convened to explore a situation that has led to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid coming to do a review. She inquired about the deadline to be in compliance. Chair Shaw voiced concern for the nursing leadership reports and inquired if there have been changes made. She also stated she discovered this information through social media and requested better notification to this body. Councilor Hargis gave appreciation for assistance given to Ryan Christie. Councilor Buzzard inquired when they would begin hiring for the new clinic.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Shaw gave appreciation to our Council Attorney, Tahlina Nofire Blakestad, for pointing out it is National Suicide Prevention Month. She stated a walk is scheduled for this week.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:56 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Steve Jones</i>	<i>Courtney Jordan</i>
<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>	<i>Bill John Baker</i>	<i>Roger Montgomery</i>
<i>Charles Grim</i>	<i>Brian Hail</i>	<i>Bret Hayes</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>George Valliere</i>	<i>Tahlina Nofire Blakestad</i>
<i>Teddy Snell</i>	<i>Wes Nofire</i>