

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

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

# Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Monday, September 16, 2019

4:00 PM

**Tribal Council Offices** 

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 4:21 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Duncan gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Membership was established for those Councilors who were in the 2019 election.

Present 17 - Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez; Canaan Duncan; Daryl Legg; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Julia Coates; Keith Austin; Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden and Wes Nofire

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the August regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

Ms. Lamb provided a handout on the upcoming Angel Tree Project. She stated as of last week ICW has moved under her department. Councilor Shaw inquired if the Angel Tree Program is income based. Councilor Patzkowski inquired about the number of children served last year, what are the income guidelines and who the program information is provided too. Councilor Crittenden inquired about those who don't have the ability to go online to apply. Councilor requested clarification of ICW now being under Human Services. He asked about tribal customs being included in our tribal ICW code. Councilor Coates inquired if the monetary donations are still accepted from the At Large communities, who to contact and the deadline. Councilor Shaw inquired why the age cut off is sixteen and not eighteen. Councilor Deere inquired if there are surprise well-being checks on children or if the family is always aware of the upcoming visits. Councilor Crittenden inquired when the Stilwell advocate would start. He also

inquired how to get the documents required for the angel tree if the applications are online.

Community Services/ Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn announced he has been relocated back in the Roads Building. The Community Service float took 2nd place in the parade. Water and Sanitation received emergency funding through IHS for the Webbers Falls waterline replacement. The Southern Delaware County Water Treatment Plant is substantially complete. They have been working with the Head Start Center in Kenwood on a lead issue in their water system. Federal Highways was on site on September 28th to look at our program and the Ross Street project. He reported on the Ochelata road project, the NE Ft. Gibson project, and the Ross Street project. He reported on the HUD inspection score at the TsaLaGi Apartments in Sallisaw. Councilor Buzzard inquired how long the lead issue in the water has been going on.

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Gary Cooper

Mr. Cooper is on travel status.

Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

Mr. Highers reported in the absence of Ms. Knight. He announced they are working to compile the attendance numbers for the holiday. He offered to answer question from the report provided.

Indian Child Welfare - Lou Stretch

Ms. Stretch was not present to report.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Kevin Stretch

Mr. Stretch offered to answer questions from the report provided.

**OLD BUSINESS** 

None pending.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

None pending.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Shambaugh announced the committee packets for September 26th meetings are on your desk.

Councilor Byrd announced the Council group photo is scheduled for now in the Council chambers.

Mr. Enlow announced the Council should of received a calendar invite to an event at CNI on Wednesday morning.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Byrd moved to adjourn. Councilor Duncan seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:51 p.m.

# STAFF PRESENT:

Tina Glory Jordan	Marsha Lamb	Stephen Highers
Kevin Stretch	Lou Stretch	Chrissi Nimmo
Michael Lynn	Todd Enlow	Taralee Montgomery
Chris Sams	Misty Blunt	Bryan Warner

# VISITORS PRESENT:

Tim Brown