

## **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

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

## Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH SUB COMMITTEE - PUBLIC HEALTH

Mike Dobbins, Chair

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Thursday, October 31, 2019

11:00 AM

**Tribal Council Offices** 

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

INVOCATION

Chair Dobbins gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates was present but not a member of this sub committee.

Present 11 - Mike Dobbins; Mary Baker Shaw; Janees Taylor; Canaan Duncan; Daryl Legg; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden; Wes Nofire and Keith Austin

Absent 2 - Harley Buzzard and E. O. "JR." Smith

Late Arrival 1 - Victoria Vazquez

## REPORTS:

CHEROKEE NATION PUBLIC HEALTH
 Lisa Pivec, MS, Senior Director, Public Health

Ms. Pivec reported they were awarded the Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country Cooperative Agreement Grant. Our Diabetes Program just received National recognition from CDC. She recognized Tonya Wapskinny as a staff member of the Diabetes Program. She reported on the work groups formed with the Cherokee Nation environmental programs and introduced both Wayne Isaacs and Billy Hix. Ms. Pivec gave an update on the completed Lynn Institute project in Adair County. She also provided an update on the community physical activity assessment. Councilor Shaw inquired about the mercury in the fish around the Stilwell area. Councilor Nofire inquired if the Oklahoma Wildlife and Fishery has been notified. Councilor Crittenden inquired about a solution in regard to the DEQ findings. He also inquired about fishing during the dog days of summer. Councilor Shaw inquired about the number of community gardens. She also questioned the number of opioids in the area. Councilor Vazquez commented on the attendance at the Craig County Emergency

Management meeting and inquired if they attend often. Councilor Crittenden inquired if they could have the physical activity survey at his upcoming community meeting. Chair Dobbins inquired if the community activity center analysis be ready to share at the December meeting.

2. STATE OF THE CHEROKEE NATION'S HEALTH David Gahn, MD, MPH, Medical Director, Public Health

**OLD BUSINESS** 

None pending.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

None pending.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Councilor Shaw moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 11:38 a.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Pivec David Gahn Bryan Warner
Ashley Comiford Billy Hix Taralee Montgomery

Tonya Wapskinny Wayne Issacs Todd Enlow

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tim Brown Teddye Snell