



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

*Mike Shambaugh, Chair*

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Tuesday, October 13, 2020

4:00 PM

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

### INVOCATION

Councilor Vazquez gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

*Councilor Coates attended remotely.*

**Present** 15 - Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith; Victoria Vazquez; Canaan Duncan ; Daryl Legg; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Julia Coates; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden and Wes Nofire

**Late Arrival** 2 - Janees Taylor and Rex Jordan

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere made a motion to approve the September minutes as submitted. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Marsha Lamb

*Ms. Lamb gave an update on the elder program stating she will be bringing in additional staff to get the checks out faster. Councilor Crittenden requested clarification on the elder checks, LIHEAP and supplemental. Councilor Buzzard voiced concern for citizens waiting over four hours to pick up donated foods in Jay. Councilor Nofire inquired about the number of case workers in ICW. He voiced concern for foster homes closing and new ones not opening. He requested ICW be present to report to this committee. Chair Shambaugh commented he has a list of 136 names wondering if they qualify for COVID Funds and can't get information.*

Community Services/ Roads & Transportation - Michael Lynn

*Mr. Lynn gave an update on the Water and Sanitation program, Transportation, and Roads. He offered to answer questions from the report provided.*

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Gary Cooper

*Mr. Cooper reported on their process during COVID. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Nofire inquired about the housing rehab backlog and inquired if it current at this time.*

Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

*Ms. Knight reported they have changed the MAP policy and gave an overview of those changes. She offered to answer questions from the report.*

#### OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Councilor Buzzard announced Bill Reed passed away, he was instrumental in a lot of programs here at the Cherokee Nation.*

*Councilor Deere announced a food distribution will be held tonight in Tulsa at Langston University. The Dream Center continues to distribute food every Friday.*

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Vazquez moved to adjourn. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion.  
The motion carried at 4:55 p.m.**

#### STAFF PRESENT:

*Taralee Montgomery*

*Todd Enlow*

*Remote:*

*Marsha Lamb*

*Michael Lynn*

*Gary Cooper*

*Anna Knight*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Tim Brown*

*Teddye Snell*