



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Mary Baker Shaw, Chair

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Monday, February 22, 2021

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

THIS MEETING WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shaw called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Austin gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilors Coates and Deere attended remotely.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Dobbins made a motion to approve the January regular session minutes. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Mr. Valliere gave highlights from the report provided. He announced they are now giving vaccines to 16 years of age and older. Chair Shaw inquired if the vaccines were appointment only. She inquired if they were back on regular schedules and surgeries. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the dental clinic. He also inquired about the number of vaccines given to date.

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

Dr. Jones gave highlights from the report provided. Chief of Staff Enlow asked the Council to assist in advertising the vaccines. Councilor Buzzard requested

clarification who can get vaccinations at this time. He also voiced concern for all pregnant women having to come to Hastings instead of the other clinics. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on the transportation cost to clinics if needed. Councilor Crittenden inquired about telemedicine at the emergency room. Councilor Patzkowski requested confirmation for the vaccine hotline number. Councilor Legg inquired if the vaccine is one and done or if there will be boosters. Councilor Shambaugh inquired if they are on schedule with the vaccines. He inquired about getting elders who can't get out of the home a vaccine. Councilor Dobbins inquired about the possibility of giving vaccines to non-native spouses. Councilor Byrd commented on how other tribes are watching us and how we are dealing with the pandemic. Chair Shaw inquired how much vaccine we are getting. She inquired if we have the special freezers at all clinics. She inquired if there was a disruption of services during the bad weather last week. Mr. Enlow responded to some of Councilor Buzzards concerns.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Duncan made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Dobbins seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:52 .m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Taralee Montgomery Todd Enlow Chrissi Nimmo

*Remote:
Steve Jones*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tim Brown Teddye Snell

*Remote:
George Valliere*