



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Draft COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Monday, May 17, 2021

4:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Byrd gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Daryl Legg; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Julia Coates; Rex Jordan and Wes Nofire
Late Arrival 4 - Victoria Vazquez; Canaan Duncan ; Keith Austin and Shawn Crittenden

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Councilor Taylor made a motion to approve the April regular session minutes.
Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Jennifer Kirby

Ms. Kirby offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Taylor requested contact information for the burial program. Councilor Byrd requested a brief overview of the burial program. Councilor Austin commented a small headstone isn't a luxury and should be provided. Clarification was given on the cemetery headstone program through CCO. Ms. Kirby announced Indian Child Welfare passed a recent audit of compliance of records by the Department of Justice. Councilor Smith inquired about cremation services.

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn gave clarification on the reporting of cost in road projects. He gave an overview of the current road projects. Councilor Deere requested the estimated start and completion dates on the road projects.

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Jerri Killer

Ms. Killer offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Coates requested clarification on the rental assistance throughout the State of Oklahoma. Chair Shambaugh gave appreciation for the emergency after hour's program. He inquired about the status of the home construction program. Councilor Legg inquired about cost of material now to construct a new home. Chair Shambaugh inquired about the current cost to build a handicapped ramp and to check on the cost to build in metal.

Commerce Housing Report - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight reported they assisted 2,300 people with income tax preparation. She offered to answer questions from the report provided.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Vazquez moved to adjourn. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:21 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Taralee Montgomery
Michael Lynn*

*Todd Enlow
Chuck Hoskin Jr.*

*Anna Knight
Jennifer Kirby*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Jerri Killer

Teddy Snell