



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Mary Baker Shaw, Chair

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Monday, July 12, 2021

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shaw called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Legg gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Mary Baker Shaw; Mike Dobbins; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Canaan Duncan; Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Shawn Crittenden; Rex Jordan; Daryl Legg; Dora Patzkowski and Wes Nofire

Late Arrival 3 - Mike Shambaugh; Victoria Vazquez and Joe Deere

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jordan made a motion to approve the June regular session and Public Health sub minutes. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Mr. Valliere gave highlights from the report provided along with up to date COVID numbers. Councilor Byrd commented on the Delta Variant hot spots. Chair Shaw inquired if the Creek Nation opening a facility in the Cancer Treatment Center of Tulsa building would affect the Claremore facility. Councilor Buzzard gave appreciation for all of the assistance given to him over the years. Councilor Dobbins requested clarification on the dates for the August meetings.

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

Mr. Wayne Coldwell reported in the absence of Dr. Jones. Following highlights from the report provided he gave updated numbers on COVID variant Delta. He offered to

answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Deere requested clarification on of the Medicaid expansion. Councilor Nofire voiced concern for patients being transferred, from Hastings hospital to the outpatient clinic, for a MRI by way of wheelchair through the parking lot and the main entrance of the clinic. Councilor Buzzard requested an update on mammograms at the Jay Clinic. He also inquired about the parking lot being a long way away from the front door of the Sam Hider Clinic, assistance for the handicapped from the parking lot and the debris in the drainage ditch. Councilor Byrd requested clarification of the number of positive COVID cases reported if they are all the delta variant. Councilor Buzzard also inquired about a TV for the Jay Clinic. Chair Shaw requested the top three diagnosis by clinic to be back in the report. She requested clarification on the youth COVID vaccines. Lastly she commented on the Doc's Rock event.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Dobbins made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:26 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Wayne Coldwell

Taralee Montgomery

Todd Enlow

VISITORS PRESENT:

George Valliere

Teddye Snell

Remote:

Tim Brown