



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Daryl Legg, Chair

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Monday, December 13, 2021

4:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Councilor Austin gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 17 - Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Julia Coates; Keith Austin; Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Candessa Tehee; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joshua Sam; Mike Shambaugh; Melvina Shotpouch; Victoria Vazquez; Danny Callison and Johnny Kidwell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Jennifer Kirby

Ms. Kara Pasqua offered to answer questions from the report in the absence of Ms. Kirby. Chair Legg inquired if there is a maximum dollar amount for firewood assistance for elderly through the LIHEAP Program.

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Michael Lynn

Mr. Lynn gave highlights from the report provided. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Deere inquired about the protocol for jobs we funded where there are bad spots. Mr. Lynn provided a handout of policies on ARPA infrastructure dollars. Following the overview of the policy handout Councilors requested clarification.

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Jerri Killer

Ms. Killer offered to answer questions from the report provided. She reminded the Spring College Housing applications are open from December 27th through January 14th. Councilor Austin inquired as to why the Claremore apartment complex vacancy rate is so high. Councilor Deere requested an update on the ramps. Councilor Shotpouch inquired about the mold issue at the Jay Senior Housing. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the progress on the rehab backlog. Councilor Nofire inquired about the possibility of pre-fab homes for burnouts. Ms. Killer reported they are in desperate need of contractors. Chair Legg inquired about the process for the emergency rehab. Councilor Smith inquired about the status of the After-hours rehab program. Ms. Killer reported the after-hours program was funded with Cares funds and will expire at the end of December.

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 4:30 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Taralee Montgomery
Camerin Fite James*

*Corey Bunch
Chuck Hoskin Jr.*

*Michael Lynn
Kara Pasqua*

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young

Teddy Snell

Jerri Killer