



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Keith Austin, Chair

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Thursday, January 27, 2022

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Austin called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Callison gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates attended remotely.

Present 16 - Rex Jordan; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Johnny Kidwell; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 1 - Wes Nofire

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere made a motion to approve. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Businesses - Chuck Garrett

Mr. Garrett reported the businesses have a lot of momentum behind them. He touched on the financials. He reported on the staffing issues through the COVID pandemic. Tonight is the premier of the 7th season of Osiyo TV. He offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Financial Report/Treasurer Report - Janees Taylor

Ms. Taylor announced the Cherokee Nation has been given a Certificate of Achievement by the Government Finance Officers Association for the comprehensive

report. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Smith inquired about changing the Youth Sports Team funding policy. Chair Austin gave clarification on the Council policy. Mr. Jody Reece commented if the funding amount is over \$600 a 1099 will be issued. He provided some spending history.

Career Services/Employment - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley reported they were requested to assist in locating participants for the Inspire Diagnostics COVID testing for our employees. She announced they are working with Chuck Garrett on a project in the Mid America Industrial Park. The call center has been moved to the Woodmark building. She offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Commerce - Anna Knight

Ms. Knight announced they will be kicking on the tax return season on February 1st. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Austin inquired about the tax program being limited to only Cherokee citizens.

CONSENT ITEMS:

No questions or concerns were voiced of the consent items presented.

T.E.R.O. CERTIFICATIONS

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS

ROADS

SPORTS TEAMS APPLICATIONS

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SHOW APPLICATIONS

SPECIAL PROJECTS

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [22-010](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE SURPLUS ITEMS TO STILWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the

motion. The motion carried.

2. [22-011](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION WAREHOUSE TO DONATE
SURPLUS ITEMS TO ADAIR COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

 **Councilor Sam made a motion to approve. Councilor Crittenden seconded the
motion. The motion carried.**

3. [22-012](#) AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #44-21 AUTHORIZING THE
COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 - MOD. 4: AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

 **Councilor Sam moved to approve. Councilor Deere seconded the motion. The
motion carried.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion.
The motion carried at 3:17 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

VISITORS PRESENT: