



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Thursday, June 30, 2022

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilors Coates and Vazquez attended remotely.

Present 17 - Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; 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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jordan made a motion to approve the May minutes as submitted. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. Following discussion the motion to approve carried with Councilor Nofire opposed.

REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Mr. Buhl reported they would have a Marshal present at all of the community meetings. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Deere inquired about the current Marshal count.

Office of the Attorney General - Sara Hill

Ms. Hill announced a decision was handed down from the U.S. Supreme Court yesterday in the Oklahoma vs. Castro-Huerta case. The issue before the court was can the State exercise jurisdiction over a non-Indian who commits a crime against an Indian. She provided an overview of the decision and how it effects the Cherokee Nation. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Callison

inquired about the comparison of fines by the Nation and the State. Councilor Dobbins inquired about the process for highway patrol tickets. He requested a cost breakdown for tickets. Councilor Callison inquired about the Tribal law comparing to the State law. Councilor Nofire inquired how the funds from the Highway Patrol tickets are disbursed. Councilor Callison inquired as to who owns the State highways within the Reservation. Chair Shambaugh commented on the Castro-Huerta decision. Councilor Deere inquired about the background of Justice Jackson.

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

Ms. Terrapin was not available to report. Ms. Montgomery offered to take back any questions.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepston

Ms. Swepston offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Deere requested an update on the Catoosa facility and staff. Councilor Crittenden requested an update on the Stilwell office.

Gaming Commission - Janice Purcell

Ms. Purcell announced a Commissioners meeting was held this morning. She offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

Ms. Hendricks provided statistics from the Employee Learning Portal. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Shambaugh commented on the length of time it takes to fill an open position, people aren't able to wait and obtain other jobs. He requested an update on if the applications were receiving notifications on either getting the position or not.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [22-045](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF LINDSEY EARLS AS AN EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHEROKEE PHOENIX
Councilor Patzkowski made a motion to approve. Councilor Legg seconded the motion. Ms. Earls was present virtually. The motion to approve carried.
2. [22-046](#) A RESOLUTION RATIFYING A TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION SELF-GOVERNANCE COMPACT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Councilor Tehee moved to approve. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. [22-047](#) A RESOLUTION EXPRESSLY AGREEING TO CHOICE OF LAW AND BINDING ARBITRATION AND AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE USE OF RANK ONE SPORTS WEBSITE

Councilor Crittenden moved to approve. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Councilor Tehee requested the spelling of her name be corrected. The motion to approve carried.

- 4. [22-052](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN LENDING TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING CHEROKEE NATION BUSINESSES, L.L.C., A CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, AND AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Councilor Austin moved to approve. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Following clarification questions the motion to approve carried.

- 5. [22-048](#) A LEGISLATIVE ACT CREATING TITLE 21, SECTION 1835.2 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED - RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY

Councilor Jordan moved to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion.

Councilor Kidwell made a motion to table to the July meeting. Councilor Nofire seconded the motion. The motion carried with Councilor Tehee opposed.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Councilor Coates made a motion to reconsider the approval of the minutes. Councilor Kidwell seconded the motion. Councilor Coates stated all references of Councilor Nofire should be removed as it was determined his remote attendance was not in conformity with the rules. Following discussion the motion to reconsider carried with Councilor Nofire opposed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Callison moved to adjourn. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:53 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Taralee Montgomery</i>	<i>Camerin Fite James</i>	<i>Shannon Buhl</i>
<i>Sharon Swepston</i>	<i>Sara Hill</i>	<i>Samantha</i>
<i>Hendricks</i>		
<i>Janice Purcell</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Teddy Snell</i>	<i>John Young</i>	
<i>Remote:</i>		
<i>Chuck Garrett</i>	<i>Doug Evans</i>	<i>Bill John Baker</i>
<i>Lindsay Earls</i>		