



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

*Daryl Legg, Chair*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain Coke*

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Monday, August 15, 2022

4:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### CALL TO ORDER

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

### INVOCATION

Councilor Tehee gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 15 - Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Julia Coates; Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Candessa Tehee; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Victoria Vazquez; Danny Callison and Johnny Kidwell

**Late Arrival** 2 - Rex Jordan and Mike Shambaugh

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Approved as Submitted**

### REPORTS:

Human Services Department - Jennifer Kirby

*Ms. Kirby offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Crittenden an update on the Clothing Voucher Program. Councilor Sam requested clarification on the Utility Assistance Program. Chair Legg inquired if the Clothing Voucher Program could be started earlier in the year. Councilor Shotpouch requested clarification for those who have had issues submitting the application. Councilor Callison requested an update on the new ICW location in Pryor. Councilor Crittenden requested clarification on the \$2,000 assistance and must be a citizen by date. Chair Legg suggested each department participate in the Secret Shopper Program like Heath does.*

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Michael Lynn

*Mr. Lynn gave highlights from the report provided. Councilor Deere inquired about supply shortages for upcoming jobs. Councilor Nofire requested an update on the Indian Road washout. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the process when it is the county initiating the program. Councilor Smith gave appreciation for Mr. Lynn attending a meeting recently in Sequoyah County.*

**Cherokee Registrar Derrick Vann provided clarification on the citizenship application deadline to be eligible for the \$2,000.**

Public Comments: Road Issues - Michael Lynn

Housing Services - Jerri Killer

*Ms. Killer the college housing applications are currently open. She offered to answer questions from the report. Chair Legg inquired if the college housing is NAHASDA income guidelines. Councilor Nofire inquired if the three-month mortgage assistance program is ARPA funding. Councilor Tehee inquired if the college housing is for both undergrad and graduates. Councilor Smith inquired about the college housing payment amounts.*

## OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

## NEW BUSINESS

1. [22-064](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FOR TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM BRIDGE FUNDING  
**Councilor Shambaugh made a motion to approve and forward to Full Council this evening. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Councilor Shambaugh announced the Committee packets for the August 25th Rules and Executive & Finance Committees are on your desks. He also announced there is a mask mandate for the building therefore please wear your mask to the Council Chambers.*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Vazquez moved to adjourn. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:43 p.m.**

## STAFF PRESENT:

Camerin Fite James  
Taralee Montgomery  
Adam McCreary

Jennifer Kirby  
Corey Bunch

Michael Lynn  
Derrick Vann

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Jerri Killer*

*John Young*

*Teddy Snell*