

Called to Order: 5:32

Prayer: Mary Watters

Attendance: Chief Chet Brooks, Assistant Chief Bonnie Griffith, Secretary Nicky Michael, Treasurer Benita Shea, Councilwoman Annette Ketchum, Councilman Nate Young.

Approve Agenda:

Councilman Young motions

Councilwoman Griffith seconds with all in favor.

Minutes from Oct. 20th:

Ms. Paula Pechonick asks that the minutes from the October 20th minutes be reviewed because she believed the Election Committee Chairwoman, Ms. Cy Hughs stated she had taken absentee ballots home out of the post office box.

Councilwoman Michael motions to table the approval until we review tape of October 20th minutes.

Bonnie seconds.

Councilwoman Michael would be happy to review as Secretary.

All were in favor.

Minutes from the Special Meeting from Nov. 6th:

Councilwoman Michael motions to table approval until the tapes are reviewed.

Councilwoman Shea seconds

All in favor.

Treasurers Report:

Councilman Young moves to approve Treasurer's Report pending audit.

Councilwoman Ketchum seconds.

All in favor.

Councilwoman Shea states that she wants to add that all checks and balances are in the Tribe. Reviews have been made with some minor movement from of funding from one bucket to another.

Councilwoman Ketchum asks if the Treasurer has been bonded. Mr. Zunigha explained that the Tribe has been covered through the process of adding the names of our new Tribal Council to the accounts. While this process has occurred, the Tribe remained covered.

Chief Brooks asks if any Department Head wants to bring any business before the Tribal Council. Packets are in front of the members, but if any department would like to, they have an opportunity.

Tribal Manager Report:

Mr. Curtis Zunigha states that the biggest issue is the transition from the previous administration to the new Tribal Council—restructuring of the political apparatus of the Councilmembers themselves. The first thing was changing the check signers; all the federal agencies were notified of the new Council; Mr. Zunigha continues to explain that meetings have been held all week with Chief Brooks, Assistant Chief Griffith, and Treasurer Shea on tribal operations. Transition has been the primary focus of his duties as well as maintaining continuity through all of these activities.

Regarding the new Personnel Committee:

Mr. Zunigha states the Committee held a meeting last week. We need support for hiring a new Chief Financial Officer. The hiring of this position has not precluded us from completing our financials by bringing in people in a consulting capacity. Jean Lewis has just finished developing our Indirect Cost proposal who has submitted for our review for the year 2015.

Waiting on the fee to Trust application for our Caney, Kansas property.

The Tribal Council will be meeting with David McCulough this week regarding our SBA 8A application status.

We extended the lease on the Pine family house in Lawrence through the end of Dec. after their construction issues are taken care of—remember they had a fire. Operations for the sod farm is going smooth.

Chief Brooks sat in a meeting regarding our Tribal Priority Application (TPA), with Ms. Kelly Harjo from BIA needs to have report early Dec.

Working with staff to produce monthly, quarterly and year-end reports to the various federal agencies.

Future Plans: have many briefings available. He asks if we have a report included in our Packet from Dee Ketchum. He did provide a report.

Councilwoman Ketchum asks who our Grants and Compliance officer for our Tribe? Mr. Zunigha states we will not have one until we hire our CFO. That is an additional duty of that position.

Councilwoman Michael asks what our Tribe's Indirect Cost rate is. Mr. Zunigha replies that it is 18.53% and the best we can get is pushing it up to 19.1% in this next proposal. We are too small to get up above 20%.

Councilwoman Ketchum asks about Fee to Trust in Caney. Mr. Zunigha states we are still waiting on what is called Carciary decision.

Mr. Zunigha is taking a Leave of Absence next week but is available to return emails and phone calls.

Unfinished Business:

National Sex Offender Registry was previously tabled from February 6th indefinitely. Chief Brooks wanted to know if we need to keep tabling the agenda item. Mr. Zunigha confirmed that Chief Brooks recollection was correct but he believes we need to take it off the agenda.

Councilwoman Michael asked the reasoning for tabling this item.

Verna Crawford explained that at National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) the discussion was brought up at a general session discussion. The consensus was not to give any control over our sovereignty. NCAI recommended not doing anything but also not handing this over to the federal government.

Councilwoman Michael states that this then has more to do with the "reach" of the federal government than of the registry itself. Councilwoman Ketchum confirmed. Councilwoman Griffith adds that yes, we just don't have the resources for such an undertaking. Councilwoman Michael states, yes, I would think we would have to have our court systems up and going.

Previously the motion has been made to remove this item until we are capable of handling such a program.

Councilwoman Griffith then makes a motion to table this item indefinitely but Councilwoman Ketchum believes we don't need to do it again, we can just take it off.

New Business:

Resolution 2014-42. Secretary Michael reads aloud the new enrollees.

Councilwoman Ketchum motions to approve Resolution of new enrollees.

Councilwoman Griffith seconds.

All approve.

Resolution 2014-43. Eagle Parts Registration.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to approve the Resolution for Eagle Parts Registration.

Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

Applicants for new Tribal Council seat:

Verna Crawford addresses the Tribal Council by listing her experience (including many years of volunteering on boards) on the Tribal Council and Trust Board. Her motivation is that she wants to carry out the will of the people

Michelle Holley addresses the Tribal Council stating that she want to bring new ideas and outside the box thinking to approach different obstacles we have encountered.

Chief Brooks thanks the candidates and Councilwoman Ketchum says she was handed information about one of the candidates that she believes the Tribal Council should see.

Chief Brooks calls for Executive Session:

(Discussion regarding what information we can allow into discussion regarding candidates who wish to fulfill the seat.)

Councilwoman Griffith motions to return to Regular session.

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

All were in favor.

Chief Brooks says that there was no action as a result of Executive Session.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to present both candidates for secret ballot.

Councilwoman Michael seconds.

All in favor.

Results:

Michelle Holley 4

Verna Crawford 2

Michelle Holley is sworn in by Tribal Judge Charles Randall

Other New Business:

Councilwoman Griffith: Motions to stop any further document shredding and document destruction until we have a chance to review what is being shred.

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

Councilwoman Ketchum says she read that the documents have been done right. She wants to know what the reasoning for this motion.

Councilwoman Griffith responded that we need to look through what is being shredded before the documents are shredded.

Councilwoman Ketchum states Beau Watt was hired to do this. We have a list to determine what can be shredded and what can be retained. Each of the department heads has a list of what needs to be shredded. We were covered in old paper. Bins full of old newspapers and ballots. So this is a necessary activity.

6 Councilors in favor (Young, Holley, Griffith, Brooks, Michael, Shea)

1 Councilor not (Ketchum)

Councilwoman Ketchum: Voices her disagreement or her corrections with what certain tribal members stated during the General Council.

Councilwoman Michael has to leave to teach her class. She apologizes for having to go.

Judge Rick Barnes approaches Tribal Council:

Child Support ad Judges met at 2:15. The Delaware Judges would like for the Tribal Council to write Judge John Young a letter thanking him for his services for the judges.

Cami Frazier for back up for assistant for Don Mason.

Would like to see an approved copy of the judicial budget. We haven't seen what was passed. There is a voucher for \$32.48 for a lock box.

Dec. 3-4; Judges would like to attend a meeting at the cost of \$175/person in Tulsa. They would also like to use the tribal vehicle. If we have the money would like to go. Judges do not have an official budget though so only want to go if we have the funds.

Would like to get approval for a Court Clerk's office.

Judges are meeting again Dec. 15 at 3:30.

Councilman Young motions to authorize that we send the judges to the meeting (Child Welfare, Child Support, and holistic families).

Councilwoman Ketchum seconds.

Councilman Young states that if the budget has been approved, the judges do not necessarily need to approve. But the Judges want to cover their bases.

Chief Brooks states that we should approve the trip regardless to make it clear.

Councilman Young amends the motion to include the travel with the vehicle as well as covering the lock box,

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

All in favor.

Titus Frenchman approaches Tribal Council:

Wants to know if we have a rehabilitation program for tribal Elders that own their own home. As a result of using the Cherokee Nation, numerous problems occurred. He knows there are weatherization grants and rehabilitation, could we not have our own rehabilitation program.

He was able to obtain 67k for 3 years once he was able to obtain Title VI. 8k through Grand Gateway for walk in freezer as well as 6k for utensils. Has not asked for a penny.

Relatives calling asking about the land in Kansas. No clarification of the status of that land. Is it swamp land, airport? etc. Many rumors. Will the Tribal Council please provide this in written form.

Redskin issues. Councilwoman Ketchum has already voiced her opinion in the Tulsa World. OU uses Boomer Sooner, which is a historical date and time. Redskin is a racist classification. I have heard that the Tribe is accepting money for this. We should not accept money. The Tribal Council should not speak for all Delawares and many Tribes do not agree with the use of the term Redskins.

Councilman Young asks is we have received any money from the (Redskin) American Foundation?

Mr. Zungha states that the Tribe has not received any money but we have received 24 I-pads for the language preservation program. There is a request to finish the walkway around the pond. We also requested vehicles for the Tribe but we have not seen anything in that direction. There are other Tribes like the Sac and Fox accepting these things. Yes, it is a contentious issue.

Chief Brooks asks if there are any stipulations in accepting these items and Mr. Zunigha states no.

Councilman Young states he is more worried about Mr. Frenchman's roof. Mr, Zunigha states we can do something about that by changing the Indian Housing Plan. Councilman Young is appalled to hear what Mr. Frenchman has experienced through the Cherokee Nation.

Chief Brooks states that he feels we should accept the money for the walkway around the pond but that the Tribe should not have an official opinion and certainly not speak for the Tribe.

Judge Charles Randall:

Once the Child Support system goes live, we will lose Kinsey as our Court Clerk and we will need one. Councilwoman Griffith asked if that was in the 19k budget? Judge Randall says yes, partly.

Councilwoman Ketchum asks when this will occur. Judge Randall believes in January but is not certain.

Councilwoman Ketchum says she has one more thing. We spoke at the General Council about two meetings a month. We need a resolution for this.

Chief Brooks confirms that the constitution indeed requires we need a resolution.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to have a Special meeting Dec. 1 in Forsyth Hall and she will have a resolution to present the Regular meetings then.

Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

Councilwoman Ketchum says that the Tribe does not have an overall budget. We have departments but no "Budget."

Video shuts down so there is no recording of what was said next or what time meeting was closed.