Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 5:36 PM. Bonnie Thaxton was asked to lead in prayer and Chief led the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Charles Randall called roll, present were Chief Chet Brooks, Assistant Chief Bonnie Jo Griffith, Treasurer Benita Shea, Secretary Charles Randall, Member Nathan Young IV and Member Joe Brooks. Member Nicky Michael was absent. Six Council members were present and we had a quorum.

Secretary Charles Randall made the motion to excuse Nicky Michael’s absence pending proof within the next two weeks that she was in the hospital due to a car accident. Motion seconded by Joe Brooks. Vote was 5 yes, 1 abstention (Nathan Young IV). Motion passed.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Chief Chester Brooks welcomed our guests and recognized a special guest, April Taylor who is a Chickasaw Tribal member who had a short presentation on the climate change grant project “Oklahoma Kansas Tribal Coalition”. This grant is two year, BIA funded for $229,761.00 shared by the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Delaware Nation and Shawnee Tribe. The Grant will be administered by the Delaware Tribe of Indians. The ultimate goal is at the end, each tribe will have its own climate adaptation plan and their respective Councils will be asked to adopt that plan.

Guests and employees present also included members of the Cultural Preservation Committee making Tulip purses. No other Tribal guests requested to address the Council.

Charles Randall made the motion to go into Executive Session seconded by Bonnie Jo Griffith. The reason for the Executive Session was personnel and government to government discussion. All approved and the Council went into Executive Session at 5:52 PM. At 7:06 PM Chief Chet Brooks called the Council Meeting back to order.

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Chief Chester Brooks asked if there were any correction or additions to the minutes. Benita Shea made the motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Unfinished Business:

Bonnie Jo Griffith noted that at the last meeting it was questioned whether the Personnel Committee was established by resolution and would therefore require a resolution to dissolve it. It was found that it was not established by resolution and therefore the motion to dissolve it would stand.
Nathan Young IV had made an announcement to amend the Disenrollment and Enrollment Act and that with further work on it meeting with the Enrollment Director, they decided it was not time to make any changes, maybe later.

Reports:

Tribal Manager Allan Barnes presented a report on quotations for the repair of the Community Center roof. Three options were presented:
(1) Remove and replace the existing roof with new standing seam metal roofing. Cost of $146,650.00,
(2) Spray clean the existing roof, install seal tape on all joints and standing seams, install caulk as needed, and install GEI Roof Coat. Cost of $77,900.00 with 20 year warranty.
(3) Retro-fit existing standing seam metal roof with 1.5” Polyisocyanurate Insulation .60 Mil TPO roofing membrane. Cost $70,400.00 with 20 year Material/Labor warranty.

Joe Brooks made the motion that we approve the third option Retro-fitting existing standing seam metal roof, seconded by Bonnie Jo Griffith. All approved.

New Business:

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to pass Resolution 2017-05 requiring the Tribal Secretary to sign off on six (6) resolutions that were passed but not signed from the year 2015 by the then Secretary, motion seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to pass Resolution 2017-06 to appoint the Directors of the Delaware Enterprise Development Commission by March 7, 2017, motion seconded by Benita Shea. All approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion to pass Resolution 2017-07 to approve Tribal membership, seconded by Benita Shea. All approved.

Nathan Young IV made the motion to pass Resolution 2017-08 to certify a Tribal Member (Billie Jean Sheshey) as a Delaware Artist, seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion passed 5 yes, 1 no (Benita Shea).

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to have the Social Services Building be our Cultural Center and approve the floor plan for utilization of the prior Child Care Center, seconded by Joe Brooks. All Approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve the recommendation of the Cultural Preservation Committee to move the Stomp Dance grounds to the north side of Forsythe Hall, moving the two dumpsters and making a round circle there for the Stomp Dance Grounds. This would make it more convenient for Tribal Elders than walking up the hill to the current Stomp Dance grounds. Motion seconded by Benita Shea. All approved.
Joe Brooks made the motion that any resolution has to be submitted to the Administrative Assistant by 4:00 PM on Thursday the week before the Council Meeting and Departmental Reports that are due for the second Council Meeting of each month will be due by 4:00 PM on Wednesday of the week before the Council Meeting. Motion seconded by Nathan Young IV. Motion passed 4 yes, 1 no (Charles Randall), 1 abstention (Nathan Young IV).

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion that as of March 1, we have the Tribal Operations Manager notify the Pine family that the lease will end eighteen months from March 1, 2017. Motion seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith reminded that budgets on the 106 allocations are due March 1.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion we direct Jean Lewis to budget the 401K by March 1 (there is $20,000.00 allocated). Motion seconded by Benita Shea. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith discussed the Budget of the 106 allocations. Nathan Young IV will get assistance on the $100,000.00 Language and Culture budget, the Tribe will submit our budget for Tribe. Construction and Education. Bonnie Jo will do a spreadsheet and everyone else needs to get their budget in by March 1 to the Council.

Charles Randall made the motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Bonnie Jo Griffith. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Attested by: Charles Randall, Secretary