Called to Order: 5:37

Prayer: Titus Frenchman

**Attendance:**

Chief Chet Brooks, Assistant Chief Bonnie Jo Griffith, Secretary Nicky Michael, Treasurer Benita Shea, Councilwoman Annette Ketchum, Councilwoman Michelle Holley.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to amend the agenda so the Tribal Council can hear from Tami McKeon, from Grand Gateway.

Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

Judge Barnes introduces her. She has been with Grand Gateway for 16 years, particularly in Economic Development.

She explains their programs including CDBG (Community Development Block Grants), aging, rural fire, rural transit, capital improvement and hazard mitigation. ED (Economic Development) is a program you are eligible that the Tribe could apply. Through the state, there is Economic Development Infrastructure Financing—to build infrastructure for businesses to locate within jurisdiction.

**Minutes:**

Councilwoman Griffith motions to table the minutes for the last meeting.

Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

**Financial Report:**

Councilwoman Shea moves to approve pending audit.

Councilwoman Griffith seconds.

All in favor.
Unfinished Business

Resolution 2015-21: Telecommunications

Councilwoman Michael reminds everyone that this was tabled to do some research. To her knowledge, no one has followed through with that research. She motions to table it again.

Councilwoman Ketchum seconds.

All in favor.

Travel Policy:

Councilwoman Ketchum motions to table.

Councilwoman Griffith seconds.

All in favor.

Reports:

Tribal Operations Manager:

1. We are getting underway with our Cherokee Housing audit.
2. The Tribal Historic Preservation/NAGPRA Oversight Committee met today and that is well underway to doing what it was enacted to do, including the culture camp.
3. We had a professional service come in and clean the floors.
4. The additional security cameras will be put in tomorrow and cover all the doorways.
5. Mowing contracts were put out to bid and being done by a tribal member.
6. He is asking for direction on an offer to stock the pond if we put in a strict catch and release policy. However, the new Child Care building is being built and we don’t know what they are doing with the pond. Tribal Council consensus is to wait until after the building is constructed.
7. Sasheen Reynolds is at the National Indian Child Welfare Association conference.
8. We have some disenrollment concerns to address with codes.

Etc.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to appoint Nate Young and Annette Ketchum to the enrollment workshop committee.

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

Chief Brooks asks if whether we have illegally enrolled members prior to 1982. Mr. Zunigha says that he is choosing his words carefully saying that we may have some members who were ineligible to be enrolled but were enrolled anyway. That is why we need the workshop to pull out all of their
documentation and pair that with the enrollment act. None of them, as far as he knows, were enrolled prior to 1982.

Councilwoman Michael wants to clarify: These were done prior to November 2014 correct?

Mr. Zunigha: That is correct.

All in favor.

Limited waiver of Sovereign Immunity for the copier contract: We have a good contract and will pay less than the previous contract.

Councilman Young motions to approve a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for this contract.

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

Councilwoman Michael asks for the language.

Zunigha states: Basically it’s asking us if there was a dispute for them to be able to handle it in state court rather than tribal court.

Councilwoman Michael is concerned that a five-year contract puts us in state court a long time when we could develop our tribal court. She wants to assure that it’s not standard practice.

Nancy Sumpter asks if we get an upgrade with technology upgrades in the industry.

Short answer is yes, the service is similar to a warranty.

All in favor.

**New Business:**

**Resolution 2015-22** To Amend Approve Tribal Membership. 058458-058476

Councilwoman Griffith motions to approve.

Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

**Resolution 2015-23** To Authorize Contribution of funds to Tahkox e2 LLC; $10k for the growth of the company.

Councilwoman Griffith motions.

Councilman Young seconds.

Discussion: Councilwoman Ketchum wants to assure we have the money to cover these costs.
Nancy Sumpter: Wants to assure that this is a one-time draw down. She doesn’t want the same situation as DFMS where they kept draining money from the Tribe. Councilwoman Ketchum said that this is the second draw down for $10,000 totaling $20,000.

Other:

Indian Arts and Craft Act of 1990 letter of Certification to Christopher Sears.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to approve.

Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

Councilwoman Shea states that the Personnel Committee recommends developing a permanent part-time position for the Janitorial services as a tribal employee.

Councilwoman Griffith moves to approve developing a permanent part-time position.

Councilwoman Ketchum seconds.

All in favor.

Nancy Sumpter reads a statement from Sue Cade and Kenny Brown, on behalf of the Veterans Committee, in support of using the pond for recreational services for Delaware families. She recommends an ad hoc Committee be formed.

Titus Frenchman reports on the NAGPRA Oversight Committee. The committee met this day and addressed the following issues:

1. Mr. Frenchman was elected Chairman.
2. Section 106 Consultations: Stockbridge Munsee, Delaware Nation, all share the same historical areas. Sherri from Stockbridge Munsee is ready to charge $400. Delaware Nation charges $500/per consultation and $1000/new construction. Our Tribe charges $300.

Councilman Young motions to approve $500/per consultation and $1000/new construction.

Councilwoman Griffith seconds.

All in favor.

Mr. Frenchman has been doing research on mainstream Americans using Native American caricatures. The American Psychological association has studies verifying the negative affects mascots on children. Fifty Senators wrote to the NBA last year. They are now doing this same to the NFL calling for them to rescind the Redskins. He is asking for a public statement or a resolution of sorts.
Anna Pechonick approaches the Tribal Council asking about the Powwow rations and voicing her support of the “Redskins,” as a child.

Councilwoman Griffith announces there will be a Special Meeting to address several resolutions on the proceeding Monday, April 27.

Councilman Young motions to adjourn.

Adjourns