## MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATIONAL COUNCIL

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Speaken: William Lowe

Second Speaker: Robert Hufft

### **MINUTES QUARTERLY SESSION**

Muscogee (Creek) National Council Auditorium – Mound Building – Capital Complex April 29, 2023

Time Meeting Convened: 9:18 a.m.

Call to Order: Speaker William Lowe

Invocation:

Pastor Jimmy Hicks, Nuyaka Indian Baptist Church

Roll Call:

National Council Secretary Alicia Stroble

Roll call was taken with the following results being recorded: 15 present, 0 absent, and 1 excused, at time of roll call.

CREEK DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
Patrick Freeman JrPresent	Randall Hicks Excused	Robert Hufft Present
Joseph HicksPresent	Sandra Golden Present	Leonard Gouge Present
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell ProctorPresent	Nelson Harjo Sr Present	Charles McHenry Present
Galen CloudPresent	William Lowe Present	Mark RandolphPresent
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	THKVPVTCE DISTRICT	
Mary CrawfordPresent		
Joyce C. DeerePresent	Thomasene Yanoia Osborn . Present	
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A quorum was established; therefore, all business transacted will be valid.		

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Emergency Session	March 3, 2022
Emergency Session	
Planning Session	
Pre-Agenda/Regular Session	

Representative Anna Marshall made a motion to Approve the Minutes with any corrections. Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: 14 in favor, 0 against.

VOTE BY DISTRICT		
CREEK DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
Patrick Freeman Jr Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert HufftYes

Joseph HicksYes	Sandra GoldenYes	Leonard Gouge Yes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT Mary Crawford	Anna MarshallYes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To approve the minutes and will be forwarded to Speaker for signature and will be entered into the Journal of the National Council.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

TR 23-030 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING CONTRACT WITH HERSH PROPERTIES, LLC Sponsor: Joseph Hicks; Co-Sponsor(s): Patrick Freeman Jr.; Galen Cloud

Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-030**. Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. seconded the motion. Upon a motion and a second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes Joseph Hicks Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert Hufft Yes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT  Mary Crawford	Anna Marshall Yes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-030** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-031 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE SALE AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN OKMULGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA Sponsor: Thomasene Yahola Osborn

Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn made a motion to Adopt TR 23-031. Representative Anna Marshall seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: 14 in favor, 0 against.

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-031** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-034 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A REPATRIATION AGREEMENT WITH THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY FOR THE TRANSFER OF HUMAN REMAINS AND FUNERARY OBJECTS AT THE MUSCOGEE ANCESTRAL TOWN SITES OF PINTLALA IN LOWNDES COUNTY, AL, AND HOITHLEWALLI IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, AL, TO THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION Sponsor: Galen Cloud; Co-Sponsor(s): Joseph Hicks

Representative Galen Cloud made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-034**. Representative Joseph Hicks seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor**, **0 against**.

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-034** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-035 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF AMOS MCNAC TO SERVE AS A SUPREME COURT JUSTICE OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION Sponsor: Randall Hicks

Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-035**. Representative Joseph Hicks seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll callvote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes Joseph Hicks Yes		Robert HufftYes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT  Mary Crawford	Anna MarshallYes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-035** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-036 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MONTIE DEER TO SERVE AS A SUPREME COURT JUSTICE OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION Sponsor: Randall Hicks

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-036**. Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

VOTE BY DISTRICT		
CREEK DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
Patrick Freeman Jr Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert HufftYes
Joseph HicksYes	Sandra GoldenYes	Leonard Gouge Yes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell ProctorYes	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes
Galen CloudYes	William Lowe	Mark Randolph Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPVTCE DISTRICT	
Mary CrawfordYes	Anna MarshallYes	
Joyce C. DeereYes	Thomasene Yahola Osborn Yes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-036** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-037 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY POLICING SERVICES (COPS), 2023 COPS HIRING PROGRAM (CHP) GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT Sponsor: Randall Hicks

Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-037**. Representative Anna Marshall seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-037** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-038 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE SALE AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN CREEK COUNTY, OKLAHOMA Sponsor: Joseph Hicks; Co-Sponsor(s): Patrick Freeman Jr.

Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-038**. Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor**, **0 against**.

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-038** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

**TR 23-039** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW COMMUNITY CENTER

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# FOR THE BRISTOW INDIAN COMMUNITY Sponsor: Patrick Freeman Jr., Co-Sponsor(s): Joseph Hicks

Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. made a motion to Adopt TR 23-039. Representative Joseph Hicks seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: 14 in favor, 0 against.

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-039** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-040 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A REAL ESTATE CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED IN TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA Sponsor: Robert Hufft; Co-Sponsor(s): Leonard Gouge

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-040**. Representative Leonard Gouge seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **TR 23-040** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-015 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING NCA 15-015 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE AND FILE THE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NATION TO FORM "MUSCOGEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC" UNDER THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT AND APPROVING THE OPERATING AGREEMENT FOR "MUSCOGEE NATION BUSINESSES, LLC") Sponsor: Sandra Golden

Representative Sandra Golden made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-015**. Representative Darrell Proctor seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes Joseph Hicks Yes		Robert HufftYes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT  Mary Crawford	Anna MarshallYes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **NCA 23-015** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-023 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION HEAD START PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET Sponsor: Leonard Gouge (\$27,000.00)

Representative Leonard Gouge made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-023**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor**, **0 against**.

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes Joseph Hicks Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert HufftYes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT  Mary Crawford	Anna MarshallYes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **NCA 23-023** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

### \* Funding Source was changed to Gaming

NCA 23-024 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO BE USED TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED IN OKMULGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA Sponsor: Thomasene Yahola Osborn (\$1,020,000.00)

Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-024**. Representative Anna Marshall seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **13 in favor, 1 against.** 

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes Joseph Hicks Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert HufftYes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor Yes  Galen Cloud Yes	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	· ·
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT  Mary Crawford	Anna MarshallYes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **NCA 23-024** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

Minutes Quarterly Session April 29, 2023 Page 6 of 10 NCA 23-025 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR DIVISION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, OFFICE OF INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OFFICE OF MARKETING AND TOURISM Sponsor: Randall Hicks (\$149,423.00)

Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-025**. Representative Mark Randolph seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes Joseph Hicks Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert HufftYes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor		Charles McHenry Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT  Mary Crawford	Anna MarshallYes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **NCA 23-025** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-026 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING NCA 14-029 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION FESTIVAL) Sponsor: William Lowe (\$780,000.00)

Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-026**. Representative Nelson Harjo Sr. seconded the motion. Discussion.

Representative Sandra Golden made a motion to **Postpone NCA 23-026 until next Council Meeting**. Representative Joseph Hicks seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: 6 in favor, 8 against.

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes Joseph Hicks Yes	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT Randall Hicks	Robert HufftNo
MCINTOSH DISTRICT  Darrell Proctor		
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT  Mary CrawfordNo  Joyce C. DeereYes	Anna Marshall No	

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### MOTION FAILED.

**Return to the Main Motion.** Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: 12 in favor, 2 against.

VOTE BY DISTRICT		
CREEK DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
Patrick Freeman Jr Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert HufftYes
Joseph HicksNo	Sandra Golden No	Leonard Gouge Yes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell ProctorYes	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes
Galen CloudYes	William Lowe	Mark Randolph Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPVTCE DISTRICT	
Mary CrawfordYes	Anna MarshallYes	
•	Thomasene Yahola OsbornYes	
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MOTION CARRIED. To Adop		to the Speaker for his signature
and will be recorded in the Journ	ial of the National Council.	

NCA 23-027 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION FOR RENOVATIONS AND EXPANSION TO THE PARKING LOT FOR THE DEWAR CREEK INDIAN COMMUNITY LOCATED

IN DEWAR, OKLAHOMA Sponsor: Nelson Harjo Sr. (\$135,782.00)

Representative Nelson Harjo Sr. made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-027**. Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.** 

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
Patrick Freeman Jr Yes		
Joseph HicksYes	Sandra GoldenYes	Leonard Gouge Yes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell ProctorYes	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes
Galen CloudYes	William Lowe	Mark Randolph Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPVTCE DISTRICT	
Mary CrawfordYes	Anna MarshallYes	
Joyce C. DeereYes	Thomasene Yahola Osborn Yes	

**MOTION CARRIED.** To Adopt **NCA 23-027** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-028 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE BRISTOW INDIAN COMMUNITY Sponsor: Patrick Freeman Jr., Co-Sponsor(s): Joseph Hicks (\$2,682,560.00)

Minutes Quarterly Session April 29, 2023 Page 8 of 10 Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-028**. Representative Joseph Hicks the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor**, **0 against**.

VOTE BY DISTRICT CREEK DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT Randall Hicks	TULSA DISTRICT		
Patrick Freeman Jr Yes		Robert HufftYes		
Joseph HicksYes	Sandra GoldenYes	Leonard Gouge Yes		
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT		
Darrell ProctorYes	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes		
Galen CloudYes	William Lowe	Mark Randolph Yes		
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPVTCE DISTRICT			
Mary CrawfordYes	Anna MarshallYes			
Joyce C. DeereYes	Thomasene Yahola Osborn Yes			
and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.  NCA 23-029 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS  TO BE USED TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED  IN TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA Sponsor: Robert Hufft; Co-Sponsor(s):  Leonard Gouge (\$600,000.00)				
Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to <b>Adopt NCA 23-029</b> . Representative Leonard Gouge seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: <b>14 in favor</b> , <b>0 against</b> .				
VOTE BY DISTRICT				
CREEK DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT		
Patrick Freeman Jr Yes	Randall Hicks	Robert HufftYes		
Joseph HicksYes	Sandra GoldenYes	Leonard Gouge Yes		
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT		
Darrell ProctorYes	Nelson Harjo Sr Yes	Charles McHenry Yes		
Galen CloudYes	William Lowe	Mark Randolph Yes		
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPVTCE DISTRICT			
Mary CrawfordYes	Anna Marshall Yes			
Joyce C. DeereYes	Thomasene Yahola OsbornYes			
MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt NCA 23-029 and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.  OTHER BUSINESS:				
ANNOUNCEMENTS:				

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ADJOURNMENT:

Representative Nelson Harjo made a motion to **Adjourn.** Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **All in favor, none against.** 

Representative Robert Hufft gave the Benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Journal of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of sixteen members, with <u>Fourteen</u> members who approved this set of minutes on **April 29, 2023**.

Alicia Stroble, Recording Secretary Muscogee (Creek) National Council

### **APPROVAL**

I, Speaker of the National Council, hereby affix my signature, certifying that the minutes of <u>April</u> <u>29, 2023</u> Quarterly Session were approved on <u>May 20, 2023</u> during the Regular Session of the National Council.

William Lowe, Speaker

Muscogee (Creek) National Council