



MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATIONAL COUNCIL

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Speaker: William Lowe

Second Speaker: Robert Hufft

MINUTES REGULAR SESSION

Muscogee (Creek) National Council
Auditorium – Mound Building – Capital Complex
May 20, 2023

Time Meeting Convened: 9:14 a.m.

Call to Order: Speaker William Lowe

Invocation: Pastor Eddie Lindsey

Roll Call: National Council Secretary Alicia Stroble

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

CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr Present
Joseph Hicks Present

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks Present
Sandra Golden Present

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft Present
Leonard Gouge Present

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor Present
Galen Cloud Present

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr. Present
William Lowe Present

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry **Excused**
Mark Randolph Present

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford Present
Joyce C. Deere Present

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Present
Thomasene Yahola Osborn . Present

A quorum was established; therefore, all business transacted will be valid.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Emergency Session April 11, 2023
Planning Session April 25, 2023
Emergency Session April 26, 2023
Pre-Agenda/Quarterly Session April 29, 2023

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

Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft Yes

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Joseph HicksYes Sandra GoldenYes Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.Yes
William LoweYes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....Yes
Joyce C. DeereYes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

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 23-043 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSKOGEE (CREEK) NATION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF LEA ANN NIX TO SERVE ON THE MUSKOGEE (CREEK) NATION CITIZENSHIP BOARD **Sponsor: Joyce C. Deere**

Representative Joyce C. Deere made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-043**. Representative Mary Crawford 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 HicksYes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks.....Yes
Sandra GoldenYes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert HufftYes
Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.No
William LoweYes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....Yes
Joyce C. DeereYes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **TR 23-043** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-044 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSKOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A TRANSFER OF CONTROL NAGPRA AGREEMENT FOR ANCESTORS AND FUNERARY OBJECTS FROM MOUNDVILLE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA **Sponsor: Galen Cloud**

Representative Galen Cloud made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-044**. 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 23-044** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-045 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING TR 19-076 (A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TO SUSPEND ALL SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DONATIONS) AS AMENDED BY TR 20-150, TR 21-080, TR 22-128, TR 22-143, TR 22-150, TR 22-155 AND TR 23-170 **Sponsor: Sandra Golden**

Representative Sandra Golden made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-045**. 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 23-045** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-046 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION, ALABAMA QUASSARTE TRIBAL TOWN, KIALEGEE TRIBAL TOWN AND THLOPHTLOCCO TRIBAL TOWN FOR THE METHOD OF ALLOCATION FOR THE NATION'S PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF FUNDING FOR HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FUNDS AND THE FY- 2024 INDIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT **Sponsor: Charles McHenry**

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-046**. Representative Randall 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 23-046** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-047 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AMONG THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, CHARLESTON DISTRICT; FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION OR OTHER U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AGENCY; PALMETTO RAILWAYS; ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION; MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION; THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER; AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE PORTS AUTHORITY REGARDING THE NAVY BASE INTERMODAL FACILITY PROJECT IN CHARLESTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA **Sponsor: Galen Cloud**

Representative Galen Cloud made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-047**. 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 23-047** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-048 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING CONTRACT WITH HARRIS CONTRACTORS **Sponsor: Galen Cloud**

Representative Galen Cloud made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-048**. 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 23-048** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-050 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE SALE AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN HUGHES COUNTY, OKLAHOMA **Sponsor: Anna Marshall**

Representative Anna Marshall made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-050**. Representative Thomas Yahola Osborn 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 23-050** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

TR 23-051 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NATION **Sponsor: Mark Randolph**

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-051**. Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn 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 23-051** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-030 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION ESTABLISHING A NEW LAW IN TITLE 35, CHAPTER 13 SUBCHAPTER 2, ENTITLED “Tribal Grave House Assistance Program” **Sponsor: Thomasene Yahola Osborn**

Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-030**. 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: **14 in favor, 0 against**.

VOTE BY DISTRICT

CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes
Joseph Hicks Yes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks..... Yes
Sandra Golden Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft Yes
Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
 Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.Yes
 William LoweYes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
 Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....Yes
 Joyce C. DeereYes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
 Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

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

NCA 23-031 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 35, CHAPTER 6 ENTITLED "SCHOOL CLOTHING PROGRAM"

Sponsor: Robert Hufft

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-031**. 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**

Patrick Freeman Jr.Yes
 Joseph HicksYes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks.....Yes
 Sandra GoldenYes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert HufftYes
 Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
 Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.Yes
 William LoweYes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
 Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....Yes
 Joyce C. DeereYes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
 Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

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

NCA 23-033 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A DONATION TO YOU CAN! INC. FOR THE OKEMAH SUMMER KIDS CAFÉ

Sponsor: Sandra Golden; Co-Sponsor: Randall Hicks (\$2,000.00)

Representative Sandra Golden made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-033**. Representative Randall Hicks 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 HicksYes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks.....Yes
 Sandra GoldenYes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert HufftYes
 Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
 Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.Yes
 William LoweYes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
 Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT**TUKVPTCE DISTRICT**

Mary Crawford.....	Yes	Anna Marshall	Yes
Joyce C. Deere	Yes	Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	Yes

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **NCA 23-033** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-034 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A BUDGET MODIFICATION IN EXCESS OF TEN PERCENT (10%) FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION REALTY/TRUST DEPARTMENT FY 2023
BUDGET Sponsor: Charles McHenry

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-034**. Representative Randall Hicks 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

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks.....	Yes
Sandra Golden	Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft	Yes
Leonard Gouge.....	Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor	Yes
Galen Cloud	Yes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.	Yes
William Lowe	

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry	
Mark Randolph.....	Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....	Yes
Joyce C. Deere	Yes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall	Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	Yes

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

NCA 23-035 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING NCA 23-013 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION RISK MANAGEMENT – ARBOR CARE SERVICES FISCAL YEAR 2023) **Sponsor: Galen Cloud**

Representative Galen Cloud made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-035**. Representative Nelson Harjo Sr. 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

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks.....	Yes
Sandra Golden	Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft	Yes
Leonard Gouge.....	Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor	Yes
Galen Cloud	Yes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.	Yes
William Lowe	

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry	
Mark Randolph.....	Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....	Yes
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TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall	Yes
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Joyce C. DeereYes Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

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

NCA 23-039 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO BE USED TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED IN HUGHES COUNTY, OKLAHOMA **Sponsor: Anna Marshall (\$32,000.00)**

Representative Anna Marshall made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-039**. 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

Patrick Freeman Jr.Yes
Joseph HicksYes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks..... Yes
Sandra Golden Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert HufftYes
Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.Yes
William Lowe Yes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....Yes
Joyce C. DeereYes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

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

Funding Source identified as Economic Development and Land Acquisition

NCA 23-040 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE TRIBAL WORKFORCE VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 **Sponsor: Joyce C. Deere (\$340,125.00)**

Representative Joyce C. Deere made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-040**. Representative Mary Crawford 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 HicksYes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks..... Yes
Sandra Golden Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert HufftYes
Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.Yes
William Lowe Yes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....Yes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes

Joyce C. DeereYes Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

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

NCA 23-042 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FISCAL RELIEF FUNDING FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT **Sponsor: Robert Hufft (\$2,500,000.00)**

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-042**. Representative Randall Hicks 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 HicksYes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks..... Yes
Sandra Golden No

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert HufftYes
Leonard Gouge..... Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell ProctorYes
Galen CloudYes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.Yes
William Lowe No

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry
Mark Randolph..... Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford.....Yes
Joyce C. DeereYes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn..... Yes

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **NCA 23-042** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

OTHER BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

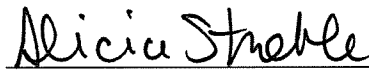
Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Adjourn**. Representative Nelson Harjo Sr. seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **14 in favor, 0 against.**

Representative Joseph Hicks gave the Benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 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 Fifteen members who approved this set of minutes on June 17, 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 May 20, 2023 Regular Session were approved on June 17, 2023 during the Regular Session of the National Council.



William Lowe, Speaker—
Muscogee (Creek) National Council