Minutes

Business, Finance, & Justice Committee March 22, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: William Lowe, Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

INVOCATION: Representative Patrick Freeman

ROLL CALL: April Lindsey Legislative Clerk accounted for five members present and none counted as absent/excused at the time of roll call. **Members present:** Adam Jones III, Patrick Freeman, William Lowe, Robert Hufft and Travis Scott. **Members absent/excused:**

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: Yes. Four members present constitute a quorum. Therefore, any business transacted will be valid.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2/22/21

Representative Travis Scott made a motion to **Approve the minutes with any changes necessary**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes

William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Representative Adam Jones III made a motion to **Go into Executive Session.** Representative Patrick Freeman seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

In Executive Session at: 6:33 p.m. Out of Executive Session at: 7:39 p.m. TR 21-042 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN SETTLEMENT/LITIGATION INVOLVING OPIOID CONSULTANTS

Representative Travis Scott made a motion to **Do Pass.** Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor, 0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

NCA 21-018 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION ESTABLISHING THE RECREATION REVOLVING FUND FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF ALL DEPARTMENTAL INCOME

Representative Travis Scott made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

NCA 21-020 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 14, ENTITLED "CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS" REGARDING THE CRIMINAL COMPLAINT AND ARREST WARRANT OR SUMMONS TO APPEAR

Representative Adam Jones III made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

NCA 21-022 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO CONTINUE CONSULTING SERVICES, PUBLIC RELATION SERVICES AND LOBBYIST SERVICES FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

No Action

NCA 21-023 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS), 2020 LAW ENFORCEMENT MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS ACT (LEMHWA) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LIGHTHORSE POLICE

DEPARTMENT

Representative Travis Scott made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

NCA 21-024 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 48, CHAPTER 2, § 2-102 ENTITLED "TRIBAL WORKERS" BENEFIT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP"

Representative Travis Scott made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

Representative Patrick Freeman made a motion to **Readdress NCA 21-022**. Representative Adam Jones III seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor, 0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

NCA 21-022 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO CONTINUE CONSULTING SERVICES, PUBLIC RELATION SERVICES AND LOBBYIST SERVICES FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

Representative Patrick Freeman made a motion to **Postpone Indefinitely NCA 21-022**. Representative Adam Jones III seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor, 0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Travis Scott – Yes

Referred Legislation:

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Approve all funding sources for Referred Legislation.** Representative Travis Scott seconded the motion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor, 0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes William Lowe – Robert Hufft-Yes Travis Scott - Yes Adam Jones III – Yes

OTHER BUSINESS:

*Chairman William Lowe relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chair Travis Scott.

Representative William Lowe made a motion to Add NCA 21-027 and NCA 21-028 to the Agenda for action. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: 4 in favor, 0 against. Motion carried.

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Yes Travis Scott –

NCA 21-027 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION REPEALING NCA 20-025 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TO PROVIDE TRIBAL SERVICES IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS)

Representative William Lowe made a motion to **Postpone Indefinitely**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried**.

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Yes Travis Scott –

NCA 21-028 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION REPEALING NCA 20-038
(A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE
EXPENDITURE OF CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC
SECURITY ACT ("CARES ACT") FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED
STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY TO ESTABLISH THE MUSCOGEE
(CREEK) NATION CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND PROGRAM) AS AMENDED
BY NCA 20-050 AND NCA 20-044 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK)
NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF ADDITIONAL
CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT ("CARES ACT") FUNDS FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION CORONAVIRUS
RELIEF FUND PROGRAM)

Representative William Lowe made a motion to **Postpone Indefinitely**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **4 in favor**, **0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes Robert Hufft–Yes Adam Jones III – Yes William Lowe – Yes Travis Scott –

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*Vice-Chair Travis Scott relinquished the chair back to Chairman William Lowe.	
Discussion:	
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ADJOURNMENT:	
•	e a motion to Adjourn . Representative Adam Jones III ion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the All in favor, None against.
Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.	
	APPROVAL
William Lowe, Chairman	Legislative Clerk
Date	