

**Minutes**  
**Business, Finance, & Justice**  
**Committee**  
**November 8, 2021**

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

**INVOCATION:** Representative Travis Scott

**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, Travis Scott and Robert Hufft. **Members absent/excused:**

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

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**10/21/21**

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Approve the minutes with any changes necessary.** Representative Travis Scott 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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

**TR 21-153** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AND THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY’S OFFICE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Do Pass.** Representative Travis Scott 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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

**TR 21-154** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS, THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY’S OFFICE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA, AND ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY MICHAEL F. HARDER FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE EFFORTS TO KEEP TRIBAL COMMUNITIES SAFE

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Travis Scott 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	

**\*Chairman William Lowe relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chair Adam Jones III.**

**TR 21-156** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AND THE MORRIS POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING GEOSAFE MOBILE SERVICES TO THE MORRIS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Representative William Lowe made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Travis Scott 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 –
William Lowe – Yes	Travis Scott – Yes	

**\* Vice-Chair Adam Jones III relinquished the Chair back to Chairman William Lowe.**

**\*\*Representative R. Hufft left the meeting at 6:51 p.m.**

**NCA 21-113** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 37 CHAPTER 3, SUBCHAPTER 10 ENTITLED “SEXUAL HARASSMENT PROHIBITED”

Representative Adam Jones III made a motion to **Do Pass Substitute**. Representative Travis Scott seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **3 in favor, 0 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

**\*Representative R. Hufft returned to the meeting at 6:53 p.m.**

**NCA 21-123** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 36, CHAPTER 3, ENTITLED “MOTOR VEHICLE TAX AND LICENSE CODE”

Representative Travis Scott made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Adam Jones III seconded the motion. Discussion.

Representative Travis Scott made a motion to **Amend page 9, #5, Add “Veteran Widows Special Fee - \$15.00**. 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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

Return to the Main Motion as Amended. 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

**NCA 21-124** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE 2021 NATIVE AMERICAN AGRICULTURE FUND GRANT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MVSKOKE LOAN FUND

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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

**NCA 21-125** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING NCA 21-104 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROVING A CONTINUING BUDGET ORDINANCE AND PROVIDING FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES FOR FY 2022) AS AMENDED BY NCA 21-108

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Do Pass Substitute**. Representative Travis Scott 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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

**NCA 21-126** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR JAIL FEES

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Travis Scott 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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

**NCA 21-127** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 SPECIAL ASSISTANCE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY PROGRAM FUND GRANT TO THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Travis Scott 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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

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**Referred Legislation:**

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Representative Adam Jones III made a motion to **Add TR 21-158, TR 21-159 and NCA 21-133**. 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  
William Lowe –

Robert Hufft–Yes  
Travis Scott – Yes

Adam Jones III – Yes

**TR 21-158** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TO UPHOLD AND ENFORCE THE OFFICIAL NAME AND SEAL OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

Representative Adam Jones III made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Travis Scott seconded the motion. Discussion.

Representative Adam Jones III made a motion to **Postpone for 1 month**. Representative Travis Scott seconded the motion. Discussion. Upon a motion and a second being made a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **3 in favor, 1 against. Motion carried.**

Patrick Freeman – Yes	Robert Hufft–Yes	Adam Jones III – No
William Lowe –	Travis Scott – Yes	

**TR 21-159** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION IF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF LISA OTIPOBY-HERBERT TO SERVE AS THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT TRIAL COURT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

Representative Robert Hufft made a motion to **Do Pass**. Representative Travis Scott 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 21-133** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TO AMEND ARTICLE IX OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION, ADDING SECTION 2, ENTITLED “CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION”

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: **1 in favor, 3 against. Motion Failed.**

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

**Discussion:**

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Representative Patrick Freeman made a motion to **Go into Executive Session**. 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	

In Executive Session at: 7:43 p.m.  
Out of Executive Session at: 8:07 p.m.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

Representative Robert Hufft gave benediction and served as adjournment.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.**

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**APPROVAL**

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William Lowe, Chairman

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Legislative Clerk

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Date