



MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATIONAL COUNCIL

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Speaker: William Lowe

Second Speaker: Robert Hufft

MINUTES PLANNING SESSION

Muscogee (Creek) National Council
Auditorium – Mound Building – Capitol Complex
November 6, 2023

Time Meeting Convened: 12:01 p.m.

Call to Order: Speaker William Lowe

Invocation: Representative Mary Crawford

Roll Call: National Council Secretary Alicia Stroble

Roll call was taken with the following being recorded: **14** present, **0** absent, **2** excused at the time of roll call.

CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr **Excused**
Joseph Hicks Present

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks Present
Sandra Golden Present

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft **Excused**
Leonard Gouge Present

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor Present
Galen Cloud Present

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr. Present
William Lowe Present

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry Present
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.

SPEAKER'S REPORT:

November 1 Attended the HEW/LNC Joint Committee Meeting
November 2 Attended the Tax Commission Muskogee Tag Office Ribbon Cutting
 Attended the BFJ Committee Meeting
November 4 Attended the Council Oak Ceremony
November 6 Attended the BFJ/LNC Joint Committee Meeting

SECOND SPEAKER'S REPORT:

Second Speaker was excused. No report.

EX-OFFICIO REPORTS:

Muscogee Nation Gaming Enterprise Board

Representative Randall Hicks reported that the Board met November 1. Due to National Council Sessions being moved up, CEO, Pat Crofts gave a soft financial report of the casinos. Final financials will be emailed at a later date. COO, Andy Langston gave updates on casino operations. The next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2023.

Muscogee Nation Businesses, LLC Board

Representative Sandra Golden reported that the Board met October 26, 2023. The next scheduled meeting will be November 30, 2023. They will be holding their employee Thanksgiving dinner on November 22, 2023.

College of the Muscogee Nation Board of Regents

Representative Anna Marshall reported the Board will not meet in November. The next Board meeting is December 16, 2023.

Mvskoke Loan Fund Board

Representative Mark Randolph reported the Board met October 4, 2023. Their Christmas loans are at full capacity. The next Board meeting is November 8, 2023.

OneFire Holding Company, LLC

Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. was excused from this meeting. No report.

COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Health, Education & Welfare – Chairperson Joyce C. Deere

Chairman Deere announced the committee met and reported the following items with a Do Pass:

- TR 23-113** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY AND THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION
- TR 23-114** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A LICENSE PURCHASE MASTER CUSTOMER AGREEMENT WITH HEALTHCHOICE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
- NCA 23-133** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION OFFICE OF CHILD CARE
- NCA 23-134** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN

AND FAMILIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NCA 23-135 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NCA 23-151 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING NCA 22-053 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDING FOR THE BENEFIT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION)

No items for consideration. Next scheduled committee meeting will be December 6, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. No announcements.

Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation – Chairman Darrell Proctor

Chairman Proctor announced the committee met and reported the following items with a Do Pass:

TR 23-115 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A GRANT OF PERMANENT EASEMENT TO ESTABLISH A REINTERMENT CEMETERY IN THE ANCESTRAL LANDS OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

TR 23-116 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING CONTRACT WITH JEFFREY AND RAMONA GORMLY

TR 23-117 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT ACCEPTING A DONATION OF LAND LOCATED IN HUGHES COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

TR 23-118 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT ACCEPTING A DONATION OF LAND LOCATED IN HUGHES COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

TR 23-119 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A REAL ESTATE CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IN OKMULGEE, OKLAHOMA

- NCA 23-136** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE GEOSPATIAL DEPARTMENT
- NCA 23-137** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE GEOSPATIAL DEPARTMENT
- NCA 23-138** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO BE USED FOR TRANSACTIONAL COSTS RELATED TO ACCEPTING DONATED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN HUGHES COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
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- NCA 23-140** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED IN OKMULGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
- NCA 23-141** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FISCAL RELIEF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FOR MATCHING FUNDS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) TRIBAL COOPERATION GRANT PROGRAM

No items for consideration. Next scheduled committee meeting will be December 5, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. No announcements.

Business, Finance & Justice – Chairperson Thomasene Yahola Osborn

Chairperson Osborn announced the committee met and reported the following items with a Do Pass:

- TR 23-120** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A TERMS, CONDITIONS AND WARRANTY INFORMATION AGREEMENT WITH TRANSCEND ROBOTICS FOR THE LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NCA 23-142 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS OFFICE OF JUSTICE SERVICES FISCAL YEAR 2024 INDIAN HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM GRANT AWARD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION’S LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NCA 23-143 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS 2023 PATRICK LEAHY BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NCA 23-146 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION’S LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, JUSTICE & SECURITY STRATEGIES, INC. SUPPORTING SMALL, RURAL, AND TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY BODY-WORN CAMERA POLICY AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM GRANT

NCA 23-147 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE 2024 INAUGURATION CEREMONIES

Referred Legislation:

NCA 23-138 referred from the Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation Committee

NCA 23-139 referred from the Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation Committee

The Committee met with the Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation Committee prior to the Planning Session and reported TR 23-121, NCA 23-149 and NCA 23-150 with a “Do Pass” to the Full Council to be added to the November 7, 2023 Regular Session Agenda in numerical order. Next scheduled committee meeting will be December 7, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. No announcements.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Muscogee (Creek) Elders who attended the National Indian Council on Aging (NICOA) gave a report on the conference.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Representative Anna Marshall gave the benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.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 **December 16, 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 **November 6, 2023** Planning Session were approved on **December 16, 2023** during the Regular Session of the National Council.



William Lowe, Speaker
Muscogee (Creek) National Council