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Speaken: William Lowe

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MINUTES PLANNING SESSION

Muscogee (Creek) National Council Auditorium – Mound Building – Capitol Complex October 24, 2023

Time Meeting Convened: 6:31 p.m.

Call to Order: Speaker William Lowe

Invocation: Representative Nelson Harjo Sr.

Roll Call: National Council Secretary Alicia Stroble

Roll call was taken with the following being recorded: 15 present, 0 absent, 1 excused at the time

of roll call.

CREEK DISTRICT Patrick Freeman Jr Excused Joseph Hicks Present	Randall HicksPresent	
MCINTOSH DISTRICT Darrell Proctor	Nelson Harjo SrPresent	
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT Mary Crawford	Anna MarshallPresent	

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

SPEAKER'S REPORT:

October 2	Flu Vaccine at MCN Complex
October 4	Citizenship Board Update
October 5	Attended the Eufaula Dormitory Fall Cookout
October 7	Attended the Twin Hills Community Fall Market
October 9	Attended the Okmulgee Indigenous People's Day event
	Attended the Okmulgee Indian Community Meeting
October 10	Attended the LNC Committee Meeting
October 12	Attended the BFJ Committee Meeting virtually
October 16	Attended the Pink Party at River Spirit Casino Resort
October 18-20	Attended the Inter-Tribal Quarterly Meeting at Hard Rock in Catoosa
October 21	Attended the Communities' Business Meeting

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SECOND SPEAKER'S REPORT:

No report.

EX-OFFICIO REPORTS:

Muscogee Nation Gaming Enterprise Board

Representative Randall Hicks reported that the Board met on October 4 and October 18, 2023. Reports were given by CEO, Pat Crofts, COO, Andy Langston. The consolidated financial results and tribal employment summaries were sent to National Council on October 18, 2023. The FY 23 4th Quarterly Report was sent to National Council on October 23, 2023. He, along with Representative Thomasene Yahola Osborn attended the MNGE Team Member Recognition Banquet on October 23, 2023. Fifty-Seven employees have worked twenty plus years and seventeen employees have worked over thirty years for the Nation's casinos. The highest amount of employment at casinos was thirty-eight years. A special meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2023.

Muscogee Nation Businesses, LLC Board

Representative Sandra Golden reported that the Board met October 19, 2023. They gave the BFJ Committee their quarterly report at the last BFJ Committee meeting. They will be holding their employee Thanksgiving dinner on November 22, 2023. The next Board meeting is November 17, 2023.

College of the Muscogee Nation Board of Regents

Representative Anna Marshall reported the Board met October 16, 2023. Two hundred sixty students are enrolled for the Fall Semester. The Exhibit Hall/Lecture Hall will be completed by April 2024. The next Board meeting is December 18, 2023.

Myskoke Loan Fund Board

Representative Mark Randolph reported the Board met October 4, 2023. Mvskoke Loan Fund received the "Partner of the Year" award from REI Oklahoma at their annual Dream Big Oklahoma event at Firelake Grand Casino. 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 23-101 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION REINTEGRATION DEPARTMENT AND CODY MINYARD, ATTORNEY AT LAW, PLLC
- NCA 23-116 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL

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(CDC) AND PREVENTION, STRENGTHENING PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEMS IN INDIAN COUNTRY GRANT

- NCA 23-117 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FY 2023 GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM
- NCA 23-118 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM
- NCA 23-119 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OFFICE OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) PROGRAM
- NCA 23-120 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE EUFAULA DORMITORY
- NCA 23-131 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 CENTER FOR VICTIM SERVICES

No items for consideration. Next scheduled committee meeting will be November 1, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. No announcements.

<u>Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation</u> – Chairman Darrell Proctor
Chairman Proctor announced the committee met and reported the following items with a Do Pass:

- TR 23-102 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A PUBLISHING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AND SPRINGER NATURE FOR PUBLICATION OF AUTHOR'S CONTRIBUTIONS IN A COLLECTED WORK PROVISIONALLY TITLED COVID-19 IN INDIAN COUNTRY
- TR 23-103 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A SEPARATE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NINE OKLAHOMA CITIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF ROADWAYS AND ASSOCIATED RIGHTS-

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OF-WAY CONSTRUCTED OR IMPROVED BY THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

- TR 23-104 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A SEPARATE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SIX OKLAHOMA COUNTIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF ROADWAYS AND ASSOCIATED RIGHTS-OF-WAY CONSTRUCTED OR IMPROVED BY THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
- TR 23-105 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A SEPARATE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THREE OKLAHOMA SCHOOLS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PARKING LOTS AND ASSOCIATED RIGHTS-OF-WAY CONSTRUCTED OR IMPROVED BY THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
- TR 23-106 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROVING THE UPDATE OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN WITH THE ADDITION OF THE ROUTES LISTED AS ATTACHMENT "A" MCN NTTFI 2024
- TR 23-107 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION SUPPORTING THE ADDITION OF NEW ROUTES, AS IDENTIFIED IN ATTACHMENT "A" MCN NTTFI 2024, TO THE NATION'S EXISTING NATIONAL TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY INVENTORY AND REQUESTING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS ADD THESE NEW ROUTES TO THE NATION'S NATIONAL TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY INVENTORY
- NCA 23-121 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 OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- NCA 23-122 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- NCA 23-123 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 38, CHAPTER 3 ENTITLED "TRIBAL DRIVEWAYS PROGRAM"

No items for consideration. Next scheduled committee meeting will be November 1, 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 23-108 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AND KANJI& KATZEN P.L.L.C.
- TR 23-109 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION ESTABLISHING TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS
- TR 23-111 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MNGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO EXECUTE THE GAMING INDUSTRY TIP COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
- NCA 23-124 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS SUPPORT FOR ADAM WALSH ACT IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- NCA 23-125 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A LAWSUIT TO BE FILED IN FEDERAL COURT IN THE NAME OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION SEEKING DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AGAINST THE CITY OF TULSA EXERCISING UNLAWFUL JURISDICTION WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION RESERVATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THIS ACTION
- NCA 23-126 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, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES 2023 COPS OFFICE TRIBAL RESOURCES GRANT PROGRAM EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING
- NCA 23-127 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NATION
- NCA 23-128 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE INTERNAL

REVENUE SERVICE VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NATION

- NCA 23-129 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO HOST THE JUSTICE ON THE RESERVATION CONFERENCE EVENT
- NCA 23-132 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO BE USED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE UPDATE TO THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION CODE ANNOTATED PRINT AND ELECTRONIC VERSION

Referred Legislation:

No Referred Legislation.

No items for consideration. Next scheduled committee meeting will be November 2, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. No announcements.

OTHER BUSINESS:

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 Darrell Proctor gave the benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 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 <u>Fourteen</u> members who approved this set of minutes on <u>November 7</u>, 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 October 24, 2023 Planning Session were approved on November 7, 2023 during the Regular Session of the National Council.

William Lowe, Speaker

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