



# MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION COUNCIL

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Speaker: *Randall Hicks*

Second Speaker: *Thomasene Yahola Osborn*

**MINUTES**  
**PLANNING SESSION**  
Muscogee (Creek) National Council  
Auditorium – Mound Building – Capitol Complex  
December 12, 2023

Time Meeting Convened: 6:33 p.m.

Call to Order: Speaker William Lowe

Invocation: Representative Darrell Proctor

Roll Call: National Council Secretary Alicia Stroble

Roll call was taken with the following being recorded: **13** present, **1** absent, **2** excused at the time of roll call.

**CREEK DISTRICT**

Patrick Freeman Jr ..... Present  
Joseph Hicks ..... **Absent**

**OKFUSKEE DISTRICT**

Randall Hicks ..... Present  
Sandra Golden ..... Present

**TULSA DISTRICT**

Robert Hufft ..... **Excused**  
Leonard Gouge ..... Present

**MCINTOSH DISTRICT**

Darrell Proctor ..... Present  
Galen Cloud ..... **Excused**

**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

**TUKVPVTCE DISTRICT**

Anna Marshall ..... Present  
Thomasene Yahola Osborn . Present

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

**SPEAKER’S REPORT:**

No report.

**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 December 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was conducted by MNGE Chairman, Chris Ray. CEO, Pat Crofts, gave a financial report of the casinos. Due to National Council Sessions being moved up, financials statements will be emailed at a later date. COO, Andy Langston gave updates on ongoing casino projects. MNGE Chairman, Chris Ray also gave a report during the BFJ Committee Meeting on December 7, 2023. Representative Hicks announced the various Casino Employee Christmas Party dates and times. The next meeting is scheduled for December 20, 2023.

**Muscogee Nation Businesses, LLC Board**

Representative Sandra Golden reported that the Board met November 30, 2023. MNB employees now have the same insurance as the Nation’s employees. The next scheduled meeting will be December 21, 2023. MNB is also one step closer to getting another 8(a) contract.

**College of the Muscogee Nation Board of Regents**

Representative Anna Marshall reported the Board did not meet in November. However, Dr. Randall and CMN were very instrumental in setting up an AIHEC meeting at the NCAI Conference in New Orleans. Representatives Randall Hicks, Mary Crawford, Galen Cloud and Anna Marshall were in attendance. The next Board meeting is December 18, 2023.

**Mvskoke Loan Fund Board**

Representative Mark Randolph reported the Board met December 12, 2023. MLF issued 496 Christmas loans, totaling just under \$500,000.00. CMN employees were included in this year’s loans. In one quarter, their loan funds were deployed in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, which beat their record of little over the same amount in one year. The next Board meeting is January 10, 2024.

**OneFire Holding Company, LLC**

Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. reported the Board met December 12, 2023. The audit is almost completed. Holiday and marketing events and monthly standard leases were reviewed.

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**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:

**NCA 23-154** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FUNDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM

**NCA 23-155** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND APPROPRIATING THE TRIBAL MATCH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

**NCA 23-156** 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 AFFAIRS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION HEAD START PROGRAM

**NCA 23-160** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION CITIZENSHIP OFFICE’S FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET

No items for consideration. Next scheduled committee meeting date will be determined. No announcements.

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**Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation – Chairman Darrell Proctor**

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

**TR 23-123** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CITY OF CLEARVIEW

**NCA 23-152** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING NCA 22-070 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDING FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TINY HOMES PROGRAM)

**NCA 23-153** 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 23-157** 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 BENEFIT OF THE OKMULGEE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

The Committee met with the Business, Finance & Justice Committee prior to the Planning Session and reported TR 23-127, NCA 23-161 and NCA 23-162 with a “Do Pass” to the Full Council to be added to the December 16, 2023 Regular Session Agenda in numerical order. Next scheduled committee meeting date will be determined. No announcements.

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**Business, Finance & Justice – Chairperson Thomasene Yahola Osborn**

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

**TR 23-125** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ALEXANDRA MASTERS TO SERVE AS THE DISTRICT TRIAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE FAMILY LAW DIVISION (INCLUDING CHILD SUPPORT) OF THE DISTRICT TRIAL COURT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

**TR 23-126** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROVING THE GAMING LICENSES REGULATION SUBMITTED BY THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION PUBLIC GAMING COMMISSION

**NCA 23-158** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY POLICING SERVICES (COPS), 2023 COPS HIRING PROGRAM (CHP) GRANT PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING TRIBAL FUNDS FOR THE TRIBAL MATCH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION LIGHTHORSE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**NCA 23-159** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING NCA 23-107 (A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROVING THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 AND PROVIDING FOR APPROPRIATIONS) AS AMENDED BY NCA 23-148

**Referred Legislation:**

NCA 23-155 referred from the Health, Education & Welfare Committee

NCA 23-160 referred from the Health, Education & Welfare Committee

No items for consideration. Next scheduled committee meeting date will be determined. No announcements.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

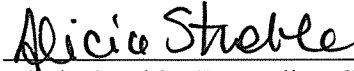
Representative Darrell Proctor made a **motion to Adjourn**. Representative Charles McHenry seconded the motion. Upon a motion and a second being made, a voice vote was taken with following results being recorded: **All in favor, none against.**

Representative Anna Marshall gave the benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION**

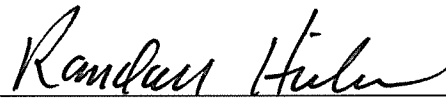
I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Journal of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of sixteen members, with **Fourteen** members who approved and **One** who abstained this set of minutes on **January 27, 2024**.



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Alicia Stroble, Recording Secretary  
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

**APPROVAL**

I, Speaker of the National Council, hereby affix my signature, certifying that the minutes of **December 12, 2023** Planning Session were approved on **January 27, 2024** during the Quarterly Session of the National Council.



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Randall Hicks, Speaker  
Muscogee (Creek) National Council