



CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

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AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, March 28th, 2024

4:00 P.M.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of Minutes from the March 12th Special Meeting and ratification and approval of all agenda items approved at the March 12th Special Meeting.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the March 12th Regular Meeting
- V. Current Items
 - a. Consideration and possible action regarding polling locations for the 2024 Special Election
 - b. Consideration and possible action on approving the ballot proof for the 2024 Special Election
 - c. Consideration and possible action regarding Press Release
 - d. Consideration and possible action regarding 2024 Special Election
- VI. Executive Session
 - a. Confidential discussion with attorney on pending litigation, claims, investigations or protests
 - b. Personnel
 - c. Exit Executive Session
- VII. Action from Executive Session
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Adjourn

POSTED
3/27/24 1:30 PM

March 27, 2024 by 4:00 PM
Cherokee Nation Election Office
17763 S. Muskogee Ave
Tahlequah, OK 74464

Chairperson: Rick Doherty

Posted by: _____



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Special Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 28th, 2024

I. Call to order

- The Special Meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Chairperson Rick Doherty at 4:00 P.M.

II. Roll call

- Election Commission Secretary Shawna Calico called roll and a quorum was established with the following Commissioners present:

Rick Doherty – Chairperson

Pamela Sellers – Vice Chairperson

Shawna Calico – Secretary/Treasurer

Elizabeth Ballew – Commissioner

Cheryl Cooper - Commissioner

- Office staff present was: Marcus Fears and Connie Parnell.
- Election Commission Attorney Harvey Chaffin was present.

III. Approval of Minutes

- Chairperson Rick Doherty asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the March 12th, 2024 Special Meeting and ratification and approval of all agenda items approved at the March 12th, 2024 Special Meeting. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the minutes of the March 12th, 2024 Special Meeting. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

IV. Old Business

- Approval of Minutes from the March 12th, 2024 Regular Meeting. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the March 12th, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

V. Current Items

- Consideration and possible action regarding polling locations for the 2024 Special Election. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to



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approve the polling locations for the 2024 Special Election. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

- Consideration and possible action on approving the ballot proof for the 2024 Special Election. Pam Sellers made a motion, which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the ballot proof for the 2024 Special Election. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Consideration and possible action regarding Press Release for the 2024 Special Election. Pam Sellers made a motion, which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Press Release for the 2024 Special Election. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Consideration and possible action regarding 2024 Special Election. Pam Sellers made a motion, which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to make March 28th, 2024 the effective date for three signatures to access the vault for the 2024 Special Election Cycle. The motion was approved by all Commissioners

VI. **Executive Session**

- None

VII. **Action from Executive Session**

- None

VIII. **Announcements**

- **Connie Parnell announced that the office would be meeting with security next week to provide and discuss the timeline for the 2024 Special Election. Also, that they would be contacting the post office about the Absentee Ballot Drop Box.**

IX. **Adjourn**

- Pam Sellers made a motion, which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to adjourn at 4:33 P.M. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Minutes submitted by Shawna Calico, Secretary/Treasurer

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2024 Special Election Polling Places

District 1

Tahlequah	Sequoyah High School Cafeteria
Hulbert	Hulbert Cherokee Community Bldg.
Okay	Okay Sr. Citizens Center

District 2

Tahlequah	Sequoyah High School Cafeteria
Lowrey	Lowrey NCCBC Community Bldg.
Briggs	Tri-Community (WEB) Association

District 3

Tahlequah	Sequoyah High School Cafeteria
Keys	Keys Community Building

District 4

Fort Gibson	Fort Gibson American Legion Post 20
Warner	Warner School Event Center
Muskogee	Muskogee Grace Bible Church

District 5

Sallisaw	HACN Sallisaw
Vian	Vian School BJ Traw Gym
Gore	Gore Police & Fire Department

District 6

Sallisaw	Sallisaw United Methodist Church
Belfonte	Sallie Byrd Sevenstar Community Bldg.
Marble City	Marble City CN Wellness Community Bldg.
Muldrow	Muldrow High School Cafeteria

District 7

Stilwell	Maryetta Eagleton Activity Bldg.
Westville	Westville School Cafeteria
Cave Springs	Lyons Switch Community Association
Chewey	NOAC Chewey Community Building

District 8

Stilwell	Maryetta Eagleton Activity Bldg.
Westville	Westville School Cafeteria
Bell	Bell Public School

District 9

Jay	Jay First Assembly of God Church
Kansas	Kansas High School Dome
Kenwood	Kenwood Woody Hair Community Bldg.
Salina	Salina Lakeview Baptist Church

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District 10

Salina	Salina Lakeview Baptist Church
Jay	Jay First Assembly of God Church
Grove	Grove First United Methodist Church
Afton	Afton Trinity Southern Baptist Church
Spavinaw	Spavinaw City Hall
Pryor	Graham Community Center

District 11

South Coffeyville	South Coffeyville Native American Fellowship
Vinita	Vinita Health Clinic
Welch	Welch Civic Auditorium Center

District 12

Nowata	NO WE TA Community Center
Bartlesville	Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation Keeler Heights

District 13

Owasso	Owasso Faith Lutheran Church
Catoosa	HACN Catoosa
Collinsville	City of Collinsville City Hall
Tulsa	Rudisill Regional Library

District 14

Claremore	HACN Claremore
Chelsea	Chelsea Boys & Girls Club
Oologah	Oologah Assembly of God Church

District 15

Claremore	HACN Claremore
Salina	Salina Lakeview Baptist Church
Locust Grove	Cherokee Elders Care Rainbow House
Pryor	Graham Community Center

We the Commissioners of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission do hereby approve the Precinct Polling Locations for the Special Election June 15, 2024.

Chairperson Rick Doherty

Vice Chairperson Pam Sellers

Secretary Shawna Calico

Member Cheryl Cooper

Member Elizabeth Ballew

Committee: Tribal Council
Date: 03-08-24 Committee Date: 03-11-24

Author: C. Harsha
Sponsor: Mike Shambaugh, Dora Patzkowski, Victoria Vazquez,
Johnny Kidwell, Kevin Easley, Danny Callison, Joe
Deere, Candessa Tehee, Julia Coates

RESOLUTION NO. 06-24

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BALLOT QUESTION ON A CONSTITUTION CONVENTION AND SETTING A SPECIAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government on behalf of the Cherokee people;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is a federally recognized Indian Nation with a historic and continual government to government relationship with the United States of America;

WHEREAS, Article XV, Section 9, of the Constitution of Cherokee Nation states that the question of whether or not to call a constitution convention must be submitted to the citizens of Cherokee Nation at least once every twenty (20) years at a general or special election;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article XV, Section 2 and Article XV, Section 9, the Council of the Cherokee Nation, will cause the question of whether or not to call a constitution convention to be submitted to a vote of the Cherokee people.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that a referendum question of whether or not to call a constitutional convention should be submitted to the duly qualified and registered voters of the Cherokee Nation by placing such question on the ballot during a special election for that purpose, to read as follows:

REFERENDUM ON CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Article XV, Section 9, of the Cherokee Nation Constitution states that the question of whether or not to call a constitution convention to propose adopting amendments, revisions, alterations, or a new constitution shall be submitted to the voters of the Cherokee Nation at least once every twenty (20) years. Therefore:

SHOULD A CONVENTION BE CALLED TO PROPOSE ANY
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, ALTERATIONS,
REVISIONS, OR A NEW CONSTITUTION?

_____ Yes In favor of calling a constitution convention

_____ No Opposed to calling a constitution convention.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the Cherokee Nation hereby directs the Election Commission of the Cherokee Nation to submit the question of a constitution convention to a vote of the duly qualified and registered voters at a special election to be held on

REFERENDUM ON CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

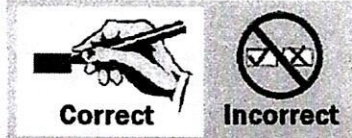
June 15, 2024

Cherokee Nation

Precinct D-1 TAHLEQUAH

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Please use a black or blue ink pen to mark your ballot. To vote for your choice in each contest, completely fill in the box next to your choice.



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REFERENDUM ON CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

VOTE FOR ONE

Article XV, Section 9, of the Cherokee Nation Constitution states that the question of whether or not to call a constitution convention to propose adopting amendments, revisions, alterations, or a new constitution shall be submitted to the voters of the Cherokee Nation at least once every twenty (20) years. Therefore:

SHOULD A CONVENTION BE CALLED TO PROPOSE ANY
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, ALTERATIONS,
REVISIONS, OR A NEW CONSTITUTION?

Yes In Favor of calling a constitution convention

No Opposed to calling a constitution convention

FOR RELEASE March 2024

Precincts will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 15, 2024 for the Cherokee Nation General Election. Cherokee Nation Election Commission offered voters some tips on how to make their vote count; a valid marking, a filled-in box, as shown on posters at the precinct and inside the voting booths. If a voter makes mistakes marking their ballot, the voter should not try to correct those errors. Instead, the voter should follow the spoiled ballot procedure. The precinct official will issue a new ballot to the voter.

Voters are urged to take their voter identification cards with them to the polls. Your voter identification card can help Precinct Officials find your name in the Precinct Signature Book, and it may also help them resolve the problem if you are not listed in the Precinct Signature Book.

Voters whose names are not found in the Precinct Signature Book or a voter who disagrees with the information shown in the Signature Book may cast a Challenged Ballot. A Challenged Ballot is sealed in a special envelope and counted after the Challenged Ballots are returned to the CNEC office if the voter's information can be verified by the Cherokee Nation Election Commission.

Anyone who is eligible and in line at the precinct at 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 15, 2024 will be entitled to vote.

If your precinct has changed the information of the location is printed on the Voter ID card you will receive in April 2024. If you think your precinct has changed and you did not receive a new voter registration card, you may contact the Cherokee Nation Election Commission, 918-458-5899 or 1-800-353-2895 to verify your current precinct location.

Below is a list of the precincts and their location.

District 1

Tahlequah 1 Sequoyah High School Cafeteria

17091 S Muskogee Ave Tahlequah, OK 74464

Hulbert 1 Hulbert Cherokee Community Center

405 S Rogers Ave Hulbert, Ok 74441

Okay 1 SR Citizen Center

3701 E 75 St N Okay, Ok 74446

District 2

Tahlequah 2 Sequoyah High School Cafeteria

17091 S Muskogee Ave Tahlequah, OK 74464

Briggs 2 Tri-Community (W.E.B.) Association

17914 S 580 Rd Tahlequah, OK 74464

Lowrey 2 North Cherokee County Booster Club NCCBC

5267 Hwy 82A Tahlequah, OK 74464

District 3

Tahlequah 3 Sequoyah High School Cafeteria

17091 S Muskogee Ave Tahlequah, OK 74464

Keys 3 Keys Community Bldg

19083 E 840 Rd Park Hill, OK 74451

District 4

Fort Gibson 4 American Legion Post 20

201 SE Railroad St Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Muskogee 4 Grace Bible Church

4321 E Hancock St Muskogee, Ok 74403

Warner Public School 4 (Event Center)

1012 5th Ave Warner, Ok 74469

District 5

Gore 5 Gore Police and Fire Station

1201 N Main Gore, Ok 74435

Sallisaw 5 Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation

2260 W Cherokee Sallisaw, Ok 74955

Vian Public School 5 (BJ Traw Gym)

203 W Hunter Vian, Ok 74962

District 6

Sallisaw 6 United Methodist Church

2100 McGee Dr. Sallisaw, Ok 74955

Belfonte 6 Sallie Byrd Sevenstar

474894 State Hwy 101 Muldrow, OK 74948

Marble City 6 Marble City CN Wellness Community Bldg.

111 S. Main, Marble City, OK 74945

Muldrow 6 Muldrow High School Cafeteria

715 W Shawntel Smith Blvd Muldrow, OK 74948

District 7

Stilwell 7 Maryetta Eagleton Activity Bldg.

470819 E 810 Rd Stilwell, Ok 74960

Westville 7 Westville School (Cafeteria)

500 W Chincapin Westville, OK 74965

Cave Springs 7 Lyons Switch Community Association

463101 E 914 Rd Bunch, OK 74931

Chewey 7 NOAC Chewey Community Building

64741 S 4645 Rd Watts, OK 74964

District 8

Stilwell 8 Maryetta Eagleton Activity Bldg.

470819 E 810 Rd Stilwell, Ok 74960

Westville 8 Westville School (Cafeteria)

500 W Chincapin Westville, OK 74965

Bell 8 Bell Public School

88963 S 4729 Rd Stilwell, OK 74960

District 9

Jay 9 Jay First Assembly of God Church

908 N Main St Jay, Ok 74346

Kenwood 9 Woody Hair Community Bldg

1210 CR 487 Salina, OK 74365

Salina 9 Lakeview Baptist Church

306 S Owen Walters Blvd Salina, Ok 74365

Kansas 9 Kansas School Dome Bldg.

700 N Woods Ave Kansas, Ok 74347

District 10

Jay 10 Jay First Assembly of God Church

908 N Main St Jay, Ok 74346

Salina 10 Lakeview Baptist Church

306 S Owen Walters Blvd Salina, Ok 74365

Afton 10 Afton Trinity Baptist Church

108 S Elm ST Afton, Ok 74331

Grove 10 Grove United Methodist Church

1005 Leisure Rd Grove, Ok 74344

Spavinaw 10 Spavinaw City Hall

119 S Main Spavinaw, OK 74366

Pryor 10 Graham Community Building

6 N Adair Pryor, Ok 74361

District 11

Vinita 11 Vinita Health Clinic

27371 S 4410 Rd Vinita, Ok 74301

Welch 11 Welch Civic Auditorium

610 S Curtis St Welch, Ok 74369

So Coffeyville 11 Native American Fellowship Inc.

215 Oklahoma St So Coffeyville, OK 74072

District 12

Nowata 12 NO WE TA CN Community Center

1020 Lenape Dr. Nowata, Ok 74048

Bartlesville 12 Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation

Keeler Heights

1003 S Virginia Ave Bartlesville, OK 74003

District 13

Tulsa 13 Rudisill Regional Library

1520 N Hartford Ave Tulsa OK 74106

Owasso 13 Faith Lutheran Church

9222 N Garnett Rd Owasso, Ok 74055

Catoosa 13 Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation Complex

310 Chief Stand Waite Dr. Catoosa, Ok 74015

Collinsville 13 Collinsville City Hall

106 N 12 St Collinsville Ok, 74021

District 14

Claremore 14 Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation

23205 S Hwy 66 Claremore, OK 74017

Chelsea 14 Boys & Girls Club

119 N Ash St Chelsea, OK

Oologah 14 Oologah Assembly of God Church

13462 S 169 Hwy Oologah, Ok 74053

District 15

Locust Grove 15 Cherokee Elder Rainbow House

101 Market Pl Locust Grove, Ok 74352

Pryor 15 Graham Community Building

6 N Adair Pryor, Ok 74361


Salina 15 Lakeview Baptist Church

306 S Owen Walters Blvd Salina, Ok 74365

Claremore 15 Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation

23205 S Hwy 66 Claremore, OK 74017

Cherokee Nation Election Commission
Special Meeting Sign-in Sheet
Thursday, March 28, 2024 4:00PM

Print Name	Signature
Chad Hunter	

CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

 REGULAR MEETING

SPECIAL MEETING

ELECTION COMMISSION PRESIDED BY: Rick Doherty

MEETING DATE: 3/28/24 at 4:00 AM/PM at the CNEC Office

Commission Member: Present/Absent

Rick Doherty Present/Absent

Pamela Sellers Present/Absent

Shawna Calico Present/Absent

Elizabeth Ballew Present/Absent

Cheryl Cooper Present/Absent

Quorum Established: YES / NO

CNEC Attorney: Harvey Chaffin **CNEC Investigator:** Nick Goodwin

Staff Present: Marcus Fears, Connie Parnell, Kendal Bishop, Charlene Keys

Visitors:

Chad Hunter _____

