



CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

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AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

October 13th, 2020

4:00 P.M.

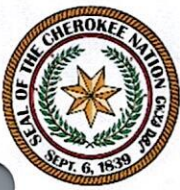
- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of Minutes from the September 10th Special Meeting
- IV. Approval of Minutes from the September 24th Special Meeting
- V. Administrator's Report
- VI. Election Director's Report
- VII. Attorney's Report
- VIII. Old Business-None
- IX. Current Items
 - a. Consideration and possible action regarding attendance at Community Meetings
 - b. Consideration and possible action regarding committees of the Election Commission
 - c. Consideration and possible action on documents in Candidate Filing Packet
 - d. Consideration and possible action on Forms used in the 2021 election cycle
- X. Executive Session
 - a. Confidential discussion with attorney on pending litigation, claims, investigations or protests
 - b. Personnel
 - c. Exit Executive Session
- XI. Action from Executive Session
- XII. Announcements
- XIII. Adjourn

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Chairperson: Shawna Calico

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Regular Meeting Minutes

October 13th, 2020

I. Call to order

- The Regular Meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Chairperson Shawna Calico at 4:17pm

II. Roll call

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

Shawna Calico – Chairperson

Pamela Sellers – Vice Chairperson

Rick Doherty – Secretary/Treasurer

Randy Campbell – Commissioner

Elizabeth Ballew – Commissioner

- Office staff present was: Marcus Fears
- Election Commission Attorney Harvey Chaffin was present

III. Approval of Minutes

- Chairperson Shawna Calico asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the September 10th Special Meeting. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the minutes. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Chairperson Shawna Calico asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the September 24th Special Meeting. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the minutes. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

IV. Administrator's Report

- Marcus Fears gave a report which included updates on voter registration statistics and an updates on Cherokee Nation staying in Phase 2 of re-opening due to COVID-19. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Administrator's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. **(Attachment 1)**



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V. Election Director's Report

- Connie Parnell, unable to attend due to restrictions provided by the Phase 2 guidelines of over 65/pre-existing conditions, provided a written report. Chairperson Shawna Calico read the Election Director's Report consisting of tasks completed while working at home. Randy Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Election Director's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. **(Attachment 2)**

VI. Attorney's Report

- Election Commission Attorney Harvey Chaffin reported that there was nothing new and no pending litigation. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Attorney's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

VII. Old Business

- None

VIII. Current Items

- Consideration and possible action regarding attendance at Community Meetings.
 - i. Discussion was held to suspend attendance at Community Meetings or outreach events December 1, 2020 beginning the 2021 election cycle. Rick Doherty made a motion which was seconded by Randy Campbell to suspend attendance. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Consideration and possible action regarding committees of the Election Commission.
 - i. Discussion was held on the committees. Pam Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Randy Campbell to place Elizabeth Ballew on the Budget/Contracts & Equipment Committees. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Consideration and possible action on documents in the Candidate Filing Packet
 - i. All documents in the Candidate Filing Packet were presented to the Election Commission. Randy Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Pam Sellers to table this agenda item until the next meeting for proper review of each document in the packet. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Consideration and possible action on Forms used in the 2021 election cycle
 - i. All Forms to be utilized in the 2021 election cycle were presented to the Election Commission. Randy Campbell made a motion which was



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seconded by Pam Sellers to table this agenda item until the next meeting for proper review of each form. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

IX. Executive Session

- There was no Executive Session

X. Action from Executive Session

- None

XI. Announcements

- Discussion was held that due to COVID-19, the Press Release that would normally go out earlier in the year did not go out and when the Press Releases are approved one should go out as soon as possible.

XII. Adjourn

- Pam Sellers made a motion to adjourn at 5:29pm. The meeting was adjourned

Minutes submitted by Rick Doherty, Secretary/Treasurer



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Attachment #1

October 13, 2020 Administrators Report

Marcus Fears Administrator
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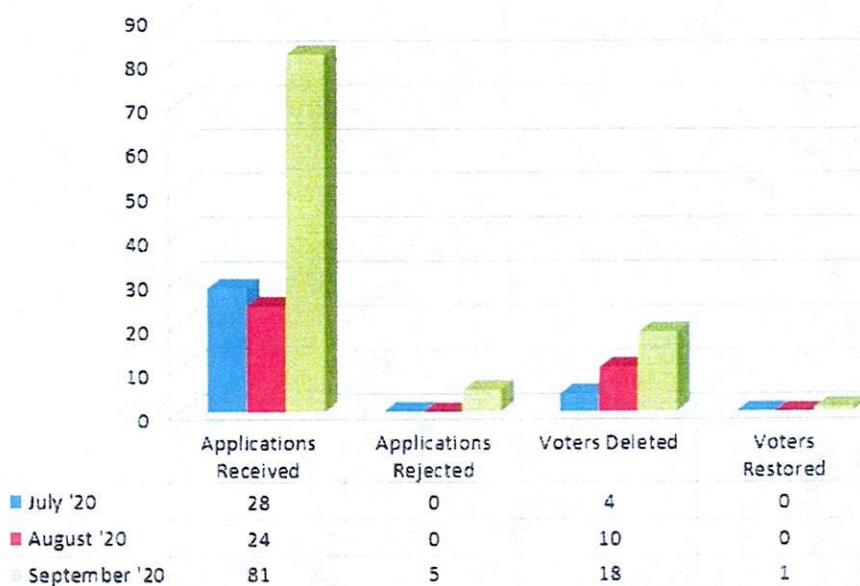
I. OFFICE:

September has been busy. Along with the closing of our Fiscal Year, our call volume has been increasing with election questions. Unfortunately, we've been receiving a lot of Cherokee County election calls along with the Cherokee Nation ones. We also received a number of voter registrations at the end September as you can see below. Many of those didn't get entered until the beginning of October so you can expect to see well over 100 processed next month.

II. VOTER PROCESSING: As of 10/13/2020

73,998 Total Registered Voters; **42,190** In-District; **31,808** At-Large

Voter Registration Statistics



A. Statistical Report:

*Detailed Data by District and Precinct is attached

III. VOTER OUTREACH:

Due to COVID-19, all travel and Voter Outreach has been postponed until further notice.

IV. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

FY21 is only beginning but on target.

District	Precinct	Voters
District No. 1	Hulbert	1,237
	Okay	299
	Tahlequah (1)	1,542
	Total for District	3,078
District No. 2	Briggs	234
	Lowrey	244
	Tahlequah (2)	2,427
	Total for District	2,905
District No. 3	Keys	954
	Tahlequah (3)	1,801
	Total for District	2,755
District No. 4	Ft. Gibson	1,078
	Muskogee	545
	Warner	729
	Total for District	2,352
District No. 5	Gore	332
	Sallisaw (5)	614
	Vian	1,145
	Total for District	2,091
District No. 6	Belfonte	120
	Marble City	173
	Muldrow	1,649
	Sallisaw (6)	1,651
	Total for District	3,593
District No. 7	Cave Springs	283
	Chewey	85
	Stilwell (7)	2,552
	Westville (7)	706
	Total for District	3,626
District No. 8	Bell	272
	Stilwell (8)	1,091
	Westville (8)	485
	Total for District	1,848
District No. 9	Jay (9)	678
	Kansas	1,305

District	Precinct	Voters
District No. 9	Kenwood	131
	Salina (9)	545
Total for District		2,659
District No. 10	Afton	610
	Grove	720
	Jay (10)	803
	Pryor (10)	548
	Salina (10)	200
	Spavinaw	166
Total for District		3,047
District No. 11	S. Coffeyville	468
	Vinita	1,787
	Welch	136
Total for District		2,391
District No. 12	Bartlesville	1,660
	Nowata	714
	Skiatook	132
Total for District		2,506
District No. 13	Catoosa	343
	Collinsville	961
	Tulsa	1,832
Total for District		3,136
District No. 14	Chelsea	565
	Claremore (14)	2,532
	Oologah	439
Total for District		3,536
District No. 15	Claremore (15)	854
	Locust Grove	880
	Pryor (15)	878
	Salina (15)	55
Total for District		2,667
At Large	At Large	31,808
Total for District		31,808
Grand Total		73,998

Date Range: 09/01/2020 - 09/30/2020**Applications Received**

Voter Registration Applications	81
Absentee Applications	0
Total	81

Registration Applications Rejected

Insufficient Address	1
No Roll Number	3
Not Signed	1
Under Age	0
Total	5

Deleted Registrations

Duplicate	0
Voter Deceased	10
Voter Relinquished	8
Total	18

Registration Status Changes

Deleted Restored	1
Total	1



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2020 September Directors Report

I have been working from home on documents and contracts and upgrades to Chronicle. I have been in the office for work on documents. I have signed a form every time I have been in the office.

Working on the new fiscal year, and receiving election supplies for the upcoming 2021 election cycle. Just waiting on the act to be approved to make the final proofs of the election documents.

So far everything is ok.

With us still in phase two I will come in as needed but not back to full time I will still be working from home.