MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 21, 2019
CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

Call to order/Roll call of Commissioners:

The meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Vice-Chair, Pamela Sellers at 4:05 p.m. in the absence of the Chairperson.

Rick Doherty made a motion which was seconded by Carolyn Allen to excuse Shawna Calico from the meeting as this is the day of her father’s funeral. We extend our condolences to Shawna and her family. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Commissioner Carolyn Allen called roll and a quorum was established with the following commissioners present:

Pamela Sellers- Vice-Chairman
Carolyn Allen- Secretary/Treasurer
Rick Doherty- Commissioner
Randy Campbell- Commissioner

Office staff present was Marcus Fears.

Attorney Harvey Chaffin was present.

Guests present – were Chad Hunter and Cherokee Nation Security

Approval of Minutes:

Vice-Chair, Pamela Sellers asked for discussion and/or approval of the minutes of the May 17, 2019 Special Meeting. Randy Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Rick Doherty. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Old Business:

Vice-chair, Pamela Sellers asked for discussion and/or approval of the minutes of the May 9, 2019 Special Meeting. Randy Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Rick Doherty to approve these minutes. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Randy Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2019 Special Meeting. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Randy Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2019 Regular Meeting. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Randy Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2019 Special Meeting. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.
Current Items:

a.) Consideration and possible action regarding amending Election Commission Attorney’s contract:

A motion was made by Carolyn Allen and seconded by Randy Campbell to amend the contract of the Election Commission’s Attorney, Harvey Chaffin in the amount of $24,000. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

b.) Consideration and possible action regarding precinct workers:

Carolyn Allen discussed the precinct worker agreement, in particular the clause of anyone not acting in good faith as well as having activity in a political campaign and/or being antagonistic toward the Election Commission. It was discussed that it is in the best interest of the Election Commission to terminate the contract and the Commissioner who initiated the contract would contact the precinct worker. It was discussed that if a precinct worker was terminated, the Commissioner would send a letter that the Election Commission had terminated the contract due to lack of good faith, a clause in the contract.

A motion was made by Carolyn Allen and seconded by Randy Campbell that any precinct worker’s agreement may be terminated by the Commissioner who executed the contract due to breach of the contract of this provision of the agreement and/or as provided by the agreement. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Executive Session:

a.) Confidential discussion with attorney on pending litigation, claims, investigations or protests:

A motion was made by Rick Doherty and seconded by Randy Campbell to enter executive session at 4:15 p.m. on this item on the agenda. The motion was approved. The commission entered executive session at 4:15 p.m.

b.) Personnel- none

c. Exit executive session-

A motion was made by Rick Doherty and seconded by Randy Campbell to exit executive session at 5:02 p.m. The motion was approved by all commissioners present. The commission exited executive session at 5:02 p.m.

Action from Executive Session:

Pending litigation was discussed however there was no action taken from executive session.

Announcements:

A reminder was given of the hearing to be set on May 23, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. for Jodie Fishingham and an agenda for the hearing will be posted.
Rick Doherty made a motion to adjourn at 5:03 p.m. Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Carolyn Allen, Secretary
Cherokee Nation Election Commission

June 4, 2019