



CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

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ELECTION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, July 2nd, 2026

9:30 AM

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call/Approval of absent members to attend by phone if necessary
- III. Approval of Minutes from the June 11th Special Meeting
- IV. Administrator's Report
- V. Election Director's Report
- VI. Attorney's Report
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. Current Items
 - a. Consideration and possible action regarding election forms.
 - b. Consideration and possible action regarding 2027 General Election.
- IX. Executive Session
 - a. Confidential discussion with attorney on pending litigation, claims, investigations, or protests
 - b. Personnel
 - c. Exit Executive Session
- X. Action from Executive Session
- XI. Announcements
- XII. Adjourn

The Election Commission complies with the Cherokee Nation Open Meetings Act. The public is welcome and invited to attend all Regular and Special Meetings of the Election Commission; however, the Commission will not entertain public questions or comments during these meetings. All inquiries or comments should be submitted in writing to election-commission@cherokee.org. The Commission will provide a response within 5-10 business days.

POSTED
June 19, 2026 by 5:00 PM
Cherokee Nation Election Office
17763 S. Muskogee Ave
Tahlequah, OK 74464

Chairperson: Rick Doherty

Posted by: _____



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ELECTION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 2, 2026

9:30 AM

Call to order

The Regular Meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Chairperson Rick Doherty at 9:30am.

Roll call/Approval of absent members to attend by phone if necessary

Cheryl Cooper made a motion, which was seconded by Debra Proctor to allow Sherry Reynolds to attend by phone. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. (multiple attempts to call and text, but could not reach)

Rick Doherty, Chairperson – Present

Cheryl Cooper, Vice Chairperson - Present

Pamela Sellers, Secretary/Treasurer - Present

Sherry Reynolds, Commissioner – Absent; Could not make contact

Debra Proctor, Commissioner - Present

Harvey Chaffin, Election Commission Attorney - Present

Office Staff Present – Connie Parnell, Marcus Fears & Paige Crow

Approval of Minutes

Chairperson Rick Doherty asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the June 11th Special Meeting. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the June 11th Special Meeting minutes. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Administrator's Report

The Administrator reported on working on Candidate Packets with Connie, treatment of the storage building and the computers & scanners being in and getting installed. There was also discussion on the need for tables and chairs for the storage building. Those will be ordered in this fiscal year. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Administrator's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

(Attachment 1)



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Election Director's Report

The Election Director reported on the Election Law being done, working on Candidate Packet with Marcus and she also discussed the new mail absentee documents that she has been working on. She talked about getting verbal agreements from precinct locations for the 2027 Election. This allows her to update the locations in Chronicle so they will print on the Voter ID cards. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Election Director's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. **(Attachment 2)**

Attorney's Report

Harvey has reviewed the new Election Law. Rules and Regulations need updating to supplement the law. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Attorney's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Old Business

Current Items

- a. Consideration and possible action regarding election forms.
There was discussion on how long it should take to fulfill Information Requests. No action taken.
Marcus presented updated Reproductions Fees. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Reproduction Fees as presented. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. (Attachment 3)
Marcus presented the new 2027 Absentee Ballot Request Form he and Connie worked on. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Absentee Ballot Request form as presented. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. (Cannot be viewed until December)
Marcus presented the 2027 Election Timeline Calendar. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the calendar as presented. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. Marcus passed out Candidate Packet 1 for review for the next meeting. (Will be added to website)
- b. Consideration and possible action regarding 2027 General Election.
No Action Taken



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Executive Session

Action from Executive Session

Announcements

Adjourn

Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to adjourn at 10:49am. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Minutes submitted by Pamela Sellers, Secretary/Treasurer

Pamela Sellers



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ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Thursday, July 2nd, 2026

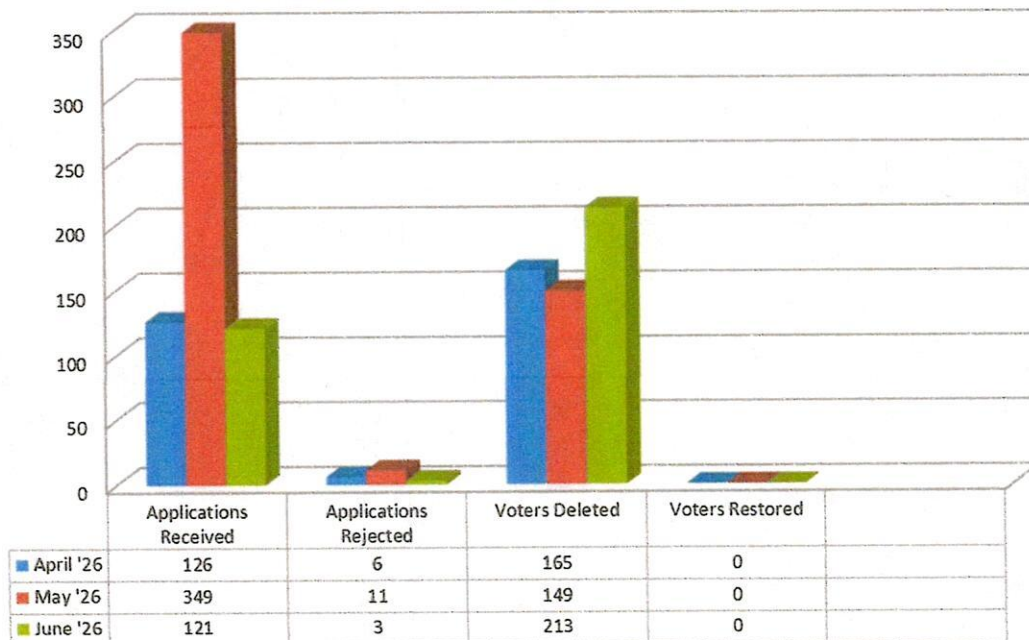
OFFICE

The new Election Law has been printed and is in your binders. I left your previous copy in there. Much of June was working through changes on the Candidate Packet with Connie and treatment of the storage building. I will send you home with copies of the first packet for review and suggestions. Any changes made were made to be in compliance with the new Election Laws. Lastly, with the unexpected costs of treating the storage building, we are still just fine on our budget and the details are attached to my report.

VOTER PROCESSING

41,742 In-District Voters; **36,077** At-Large Voters totaling **77,819** Registered Voters as of 06/30/2026

Voter Registration Statistics



Statistical Report:

Detailed Data by District and Precinct is attached.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 8 total Requisitions for June.
- FY2026 is still on target.

District	Precinct	Voters
Dist No. 1	Hulbert D-1	1,513
	Okay D-1	335
	Peggs D-1	186
	Tahlequah B D-1	1,363
Total for District		3,397
Dist No. 2	Tahlequah A D-2	1,584
	Tahlequah B D-2	1,090
Total for District		2,674
Dist No. 3	Blackgum D-3	766
	Keys D-3	879
	Marble City D-3	114
	Sallisaw D-3	512
	Tahlequah B D-3	813
	Tenkiller D-3	170
Total for District		3,254
Dist No. 4	Ft. Gibson D-4	1,319
	Keefeton D-4	33
	Vian D-4	804
	Warner D-4	895
Total for District		3,051
Dist No. 5	Owasso D-5	579
	Tulsa D-5	1,107
Total for District		1,686
Dist No. 6	Muldrow D-6	994
	Roland D-6	367
	Sallisaw D-6	1,434
Total for District		2,795
Dist No. 7	Belfonte D-7	306
	Bell D-7	578
	Lyons Switch D-7	240
	Stilwell D-7	2,884
Total for District		4,008
Dist No. 8	Briggs D-8	1,170
	Chewey D-8	1

District	Precinct	Voters
Dist No. 14	Claremore D-14	1,659
Total for District		2,190
Dist No. 15	Chouteau D-15	381
	Justus Tiawah D-15	318
	Locust Grove D-15	619
	Pryor D-15	921
	Salina D-15	107
Total for District		2,346
At Large	At Large	36,077
Total for District		36,077
Grand Total		77,819

2026 June Election Directors report

The Election Act has been approved, and we can move forward with the changes for the Candidate Packet, and the forms that need to comply with the Election Act.

The Mail Absentee documents will need a lot of work before we can print the stock for absentees. I have made some suggestions and have copies of the envelopes with the information.

Well with the act also done the precincts added to the areas and now time to find and secure the polling places in the areas.

Commissioners have chosen their locations, and we are working on a verbal agreement with the locations. This allows us to put the information on the voter ID cards and send out to the voters. The moving of the voters to a closer voting location ID cards will not go out till all are located and secured. 45 out of 60 are secure for us to use. A few are just waiting to run through their board and then they can give me the yes response.

Whew what a busy month.

CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION REPRODUCTION FEES

***Voter List** – Tribal ID Required

	Email	Printed	Printed Labels
Per District	No Charge	\$0.25/page	\$100.00
At-Large	No Charge	\$0.25/page	\$750.00
All Areas	No Charge	\$0.25/page	\$2,250.00

**A \$50/hour Research fee may be charged for Voter History requests with multiple years/Districts.

***Voter History** – Tribal ID Required

	Email	Printed	Printed Labels
Per District	No Charge	\$0.25/page	N/A
At-Large	No Charge	\$0.25/page	N/A
All Areas	No Charge	\$0.25/page	N/A

**A \$50/hour Research fee may be charged for Voter History requests with multiple years/Districts.

Financial Disclosure Report (per Candidate per month)

	Email	Copies
2015 through Current	No Charge	\$0.25/page

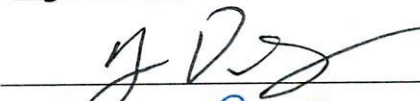
**When requesting the most current Candidate Financial, please allow 7 days after the due date of the 10th of the month for Commission review. A \$50/hour Research fee may be charged for requests of multiple Candidate Financials.

Information Request

Copy's	\$0.25/page
Research Fees	\$50.00/hour

*Must be a citizen of the Cherokee Nation and present citizenship card along with request form

Signatures:



 Cheryl Cooper

 Pamela Sellers

 Della Pratt

Date Approved: July 2, 2026

CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION ROLL CALL

REGULAR MEETING

SPECIAL MEETING

ELECTION COMMISSION PRESIDED BY: Rick Doherty

MEETING DATE: 7/2/26 at 9:30 AM/PM at the CNEC Office

Commission Member: Present/Absent

- Rick Doherty Present/Absent
- Cheryl Cooper Present/Absent
- Pamela Sellers Present/Absent
- Sherry Reynolds Present/Absent *By phone could not reach*
- Debra Proctor Present/Absent

Quorum Established: YES NO

CNEC Attorney: Harvey Chaffin

Staff Present: Marcus Fears, Connie Parnell, Allison George, Charlene Keys,
 Paige Crow

Visitors:

- Chad Hunter _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Cherokee Nation Election Commission

Regular Meeting Guest Sign-In Sheet

Thursday, July 2, 2026 9:30AM

Print Name	Signature
Chrad Hunter	