

**CHICKASAW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL SESSION
David Stout Building
Ada, Oklahoma
February 22, 2002**

AGENDA ITEM #1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Wanda Blackwood Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM #2 ROLL CALL

Members present: Beth Alexander
 Linda Briggs
 Mary Jo Green
 Lisa Johnson-Billy (Late arrival, 7:02 p.m.)
Dean McManus
 Mooniene Ogee
 Judy Goforth Parker
 Wanda Blackwood Scott
 Wilson Seawright
 Robert Walton

Chairperson Blackwood Scott declared a quorum.

Members absent: Tim Colbert, Donna Hartman, Lisa Shephard

Staff present: Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary
 Harold Stick, Sergeant-At-Arms
 Monette Richardson, Administrative Aide
 Lori Hamilton, Legislative Legal Assistant

Guest present: Danny Key, Mary Jane Key, Jack Wells, Kim Abbott, David
 Hatton, Governor Bill Anoatubby

AGENDA ITEM #3 INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Mrs. Ogee.

AGENDA ITEM #4 NEW BUSINESS

**GR19-027, Authorization for Construction of Motel, Restaurant and
 Entertainment Center in Garvin County**

Explanation: This resolution approves the Chickasaw Enterprises' request to construct a

motel, restaurant and entertainment center on tribal property held U.S.A. in Trust for the Chickasaw Nation described as a tract of land in the SW/4 of Section 35, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Garvin County, Oklahoma.

A motion was made by Mr. Walton to approve GR19-027. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Green.

Mr. Seawright asked for more explanation of the resolution for the benefit of the audience in attendance.

Mr. Hatton explained the facility consisted of an entertainment center, a restaurant that will seats 130 to 145 people and a diner that will seat 50. The restaurant area will consist of a buffet and the diner will be a hamburger style café located at the front of the building. The motel will consist of 36 rooms with the prices mid-ranged, along the line of Best Western and Holiday Inn. The gaming center will be located at the far end of the building. The facility will expand over approximately 5 acres, which takes up 13% of the property and will be a \$7.4 million project. Mr. Hatton stated it would be a quick payback and a great opportunity for the Tribe.

Mr. Hatton provided demographic information to the Legislators.

Mr. Walton noted that signs would be located north and south of the facility. He also noted there were 500 parking spaces.

Mr. Hatton informed the group that the facility would employ between 40 and 60 employees. He also stated plans which include hiring a nutritionist for the restaurant and a qualified person with expertise in hotel/motel management.

Mrs. Ogee asked if the Tribe would construct the facility.

Mr. Hatton replied that the Tribe would not construct the facility. It would be a guaranteed contract.

A roll call vote was taken on GR19-027.

Members voting yes:

Beth Alexander, Linda Briggs, Mary Jo Green,
Dean McManus, Mooniene Ogee, Judy Goforth Parker,
Wilson Seawright, Robert Walton, Wanda Blackwood Scott
9 yes votes

Members voting no:

Lisa Johnson-Billy
1 no vote

The motion to approve GR19-027 carried.

Mrs. Johnson-Billy stated she appreciated the work of the General Manager and other employees. She especially appreciated the business entities such as Bank 2. However, she was not excited about the gaming in which the Tribe was involved. It was her hope that as a Nation, they would move out of the gaming business and into other businesses.

Mr. Walton thanked the Legislature for approving the resolution and also thanked the Land Development Committee for working on this project.

Comments by Governor Anoatubby

Governor Anoatubby stated he also hopes of investing in other types of businesses. He asked that the Legislature work with the Executive Department to make investments in other types of businesses. He felt that as a group they should plan together. This planning should result in an overall economic development plan which would include the types of ventures everyone would like to pursue. Governor Anoatubby stated in order for the Tribe to support the outreach type programs, it must continue the revenue flow. It is easy for the Tribe to invest in gaming because it produces more revenue than the other businesses.

Governor Anoatubby thanked the Legislature for approving GR19-027. He felt certain this business would produce a net income in which all would be pleased. He again issued an invitation to the Legislature to work with the Executive Department and the Business Enterprise Division on an economic plan.

Mr. Walton announced that Chickasaw Nation Industries, Inc. would be meeting with the Legislature and CNII would furnish dinner.

AGENDA ITEM #5 COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

There were no comments from the citizens.

AGENDA ITEM #6 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Johnson-Billy to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Green.

The Chickasaw Tribal Legislature adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Prepared by,

Dean McManus, Secretary
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature