



CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, December 5th, 2024

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 November 19th Special Meeting
- IV. Administrator's Report
- V. Election Director's Report
- VI. Attorney's Report
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Consideration and possible action regarding 2025 General Election; early walk in
- VIII. Current Items
 - a. Consideration and possible action on Election Commission 2025 Regular Meeting schedule
 - b. Consideration and possible action on Candidate Packet 2
 - c. Consideration and possible action on redistricting
 - d. Consideration and possible action regarding 2025 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

POSTED
11/22/24

November 22, 2024 by 9:30 AM
Cherokee Nation Election Office
17763 S. Muskogee Ave
Tahlequah, OK 74464

Chairperson: Rick Doherty

Posted by: _____



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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 5th, 2024, 9:30am

I. Call to order

- a. The Regular Meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Chairperson Rick Doherty at 9:31am

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

- a. Election Commission Secretary, Pamela Sellers, called roll and a quorum was established with the following Commissioners present:

Rick Doherty – Chairperson

Cheryl Cooper – Vice Chairperson

Pamela Sellers – Secretary/Treasurer

Elizabeth Ballew – Commissioner

Sherry Reynolds.– Commissioner

Office Staff – Connie Parnell & Marcus Fears

Election Commission Attorney Harvey Chaffin

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. Chairperson Rick Doherty asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the November 19th Special Meeting. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the November 19th Special Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners.

IV. Administrator's Report

- a. Marcus reported on voter statistics, Gov't Relations bringing voter registrations, and fulfilling Map and Voter List requests from redistricting. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Administrator's Report. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners. **(Attachment 1)**

V. Election Director's Report



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- a. Connie gave an update on completing unassigned address, securing new polling locations and the new Chronicle build being complete and ready to install. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Election Director's Report. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners. **(Attachment 2)**

VI. Attorney's Report

- a. N/A

VII. Old Business

- a. Consideration and possible action regarding 2025 General Election; early walk in.
 - i. After brief discussion, Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper for Pam Sellers to get the workers for Early Walk-In voting. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners.

VIII. Current Items

- a. Consideration and possible action on Election Commission 2025 Regular Meeting Schedule.
 - i. Election Commission Regular Meetings will be 9:30am on the first Thursday of each month in 2025. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the 2025 Regular Meeting schedule. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners.
- b. Consideration and possible action on Candidate Packet 2.
 - i. Marcus presented each document that will be included in Candidate Packet 2. This packet will be given to Candidates who file in February. CNEC Reproduction Fees, being a part of this packet was updated with new pricing. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve Candidate Packet 2. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners.
- c. Consideration and possible action on redistricting.
 - i. Connie presented bullet points for our next Press Release. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the Press Release with the one change. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners.
- d. Discussion and possible action regarding 2025 General Election.



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- i. Marcus presented the Worker and Facility agreements for the 2025 General Election cycle. He mentioned that Connie would have them printed on colored paper like last time in your binders when they are ready. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to approve the agreements. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners.

IX. Executive Session

- a. None

X. Action from Executive Session

- a. N/A

XI. Announcements

- a. None

XII. Adjourn

- a. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to adjourn at 10:09am. The motion was seconded by all Commissioners.

Minutes submitted by Pamela Sellers, Secretary/Treasurer



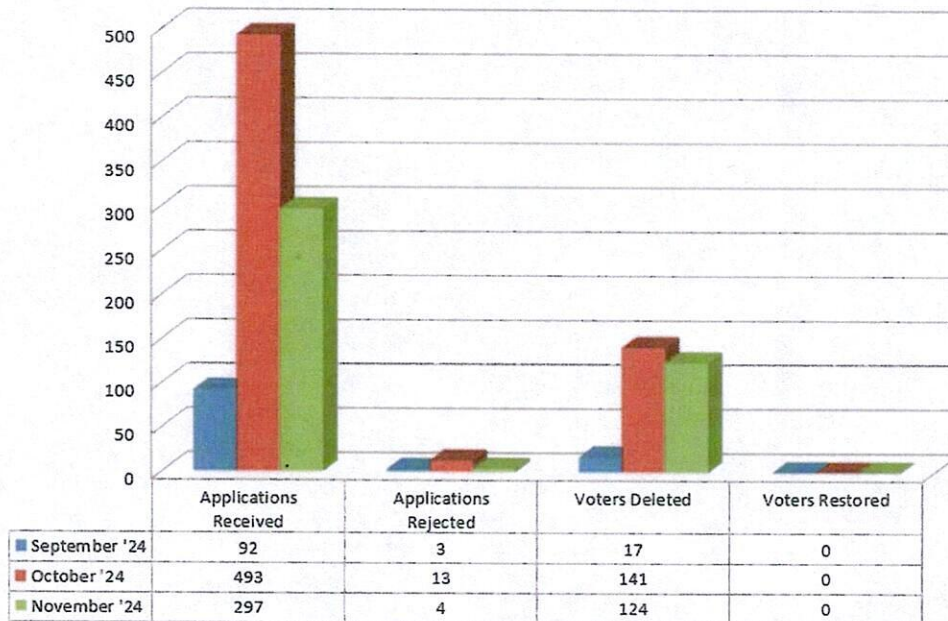
I. OFFICE:

November 5th we were able to fulfill any existing requests for new redistricting maps. The PDF maps as well as the interactive maps are linked on our website. November 25th we were able to fulfill existing requests for new voter lists. We received one voter registration drop from Gov't Relations and completed 297 total applications for the month.

II. VOTER PROCESSING: As of 12/04/2024

79,164 Total Registered Voters; 42,201 In-District; 36,963 At-Large

Voter Registration Statistics



A. Statistical Report:

*Detailed Data by District and Precinct is attached

III. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

4 Total Requisitions in November.

Chronicle - Voter Registration by District and Precinct

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District	Precinct	Voters
Dist No. 1	Hulbert D-1	1,691
	Okay D-1	339
	Tahlequah B D-1 Seq. Cafeteria	1,399
Total for District		3,429
Dist No. 2	Tahlequah A D-2 west Comm Bldg	1,529
	Tahlequah B D-2 Seq Cafeteria	1,159
Total for District		2,688
Dist No. 3	Keys D-3	1,015
	Marble City D-3	1,399
	Tahlequah B D-3 Seq Cafeteria	856
Total for District		3,270
Dist No. 4	Ft. Gibson D-4	1,395
	Vian D-4	778
	Warner D-4	857
Total for District		3,030
Dist No. 5	Owasso D-5	507
	Tulsa D-5	1,048
Total for District		1,555
Dist No. 6	Muldrow D-6	1,048
	Roland D-6	372
	Sallisaw D-6	1,488
Total for District		2,908
Dist No. 7	Belfonte D-7	309
	Dahlongegah D-7	599
	Stilwell D-7	3,194
Total for District		4,102
Dist No. 8	Briggs D-8	1,460
	Kansas D-8	687
	Westville D-8	1,130
Total for District		3,277
Dist No. 9	Adair D-9	973
	Jay D-9	612
	Kenwood D-9	1,569
Total for District		3,154

District	Precinct	Voters
Dist No. 10	Afton D-10	581
	Grove D-10	699
	Jay D-10	909
	West Siloam Springs D-10	256
Total for District		2,445
Dist No. 11	Nowata D-11	926
	S. Coffeyville D-11	627
	Vinita D-11	1,293
	Welch D-11	164
Total for District		3,010
Dist No. 12	Bartlesville D-12	1,655
	Collinsville D12	358
Total for District		2,013
Dist No. 13	Catoosa D-13	464
	Claremore D-13	56
	Owasso D-13	2,169
Total for District		2,689
Dist No. 14	Chelsea D-14	567
	Claremore D-14	1,726
	Nowata D-11	1
Total for District		2,294
Dist No. 15	Justus Tiawah D-15	464
	Locust Grove D-15	764
	Pryor D-15	1,109
Total for District		2,337
At Large	At Large	36,963
Total for District		36,963
Grand Total		79,164



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NOVEMBER - 2024 Directors Report

Well, we met the deadlines, and sent out the lists, maps and additional reports to the people that requested different types of lists.

Worked on the new polling locations, all are secured. Only had to replace D-4 Fort Gibson and that was thanks to Sherry for finding the replacement location in Fort Gibson.


Working on the unassigned address and filling out a spread sheet for CSA to add all the new streets and extend the current streets to assign the voters. It is going well there are not as many has we have had in the past which is good.

The new build is ready to install on the computers of the staff. All is going well.

CSA has the interactive maps on their website for anyone to view.

2025 General Election Precinct Selection

Precinct	Commissioner
Early Walk In	Pam Sellers 12/5/24
D2 Tahlequah A (Community Bldg)	Pam Sellers
D2 Tahlequah B (Sequoyah Cafeteria)	Pam Sellers
D4 Fort Gibson	Sherry Reynolds
D4 Warner	Sherry Reynolds
D4 Vian	Sherry Reynolds
D5 Tulsa	Cheryl Cooper
D5 Owasso	Cheryl Cooper
D7 Belfonte	Pam Sellers
D7 Stilwell	Pam Sellers
D7 Dahlongeah	Pam Sellers
D9 & D10 Jay - Super	Elizabeth Ballew
D9 Kenwood	Rick Doherty
D9 Adair	Rick Doherty
D10 Afton	Elizabeth Ballew
D10 Grove	Elizabeth Ballew
D10 West Siloam	Elizabeth Ballew
D11 South Coffeyville	Rick Doherty
D11 Vinita	Cheryl Cooper
D11 Welch	Cheryl Cooper
D11 Nowata	Cheryl Cooper
D15 Locust Grove	Elizabeth Ballew
D15 Pryor	Sherry Reynolds
D15 Justus Tiawah	Rick Doherty



 Rick Doherty

Date: 11/19/24



 Cheryl Cooper



 Pamela Sellers



 Elizabeth Ballew



 Sherry Reynolds



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Cherokee Nation Election Commission 2025 Regular Meeting Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
January 02, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
February 06, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
March 06, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
April 03, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
May 01, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
June 05, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
July 03, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
August 07, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
September 04, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
October 02, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
November 06, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.
December 04, 2025	Election Commission Office	9:30 A.M.

Rick Doherty, Chairperson

CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION REPRODUCTION FEES

*Voter List

	Email	Printed	Labels
Per District	No Charge	\$0.25/page	\$90.00
At-Large	No Charge	\$0.25/page	\$650.00
All Areas	No Charge	\$0.25/page	\$1,950.00

**A \$40/hour Research fee may be charged for Voter History requests with multiple years/Districts.

*Voter History

	Email	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 \$40/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 15th of the month for Commission review. A \$40/hour Research fee may be charged for requests of multiple Candidate Financials.

Information Request

Copy's	\$0.25/page
Research Fees	\$40.00/hour

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

Signatures:

Pamela Sellers
Cheryl Cooper
Elizabeth Baker
Sherry Reynolds
JOB

Date Approved:

12-5-24

PRESS INFORMATION TO RELEASE

New Voter ID cards will be mailed out in December of 2024 to inform the voters of their district change, if they had a district change and the new voting location for them to vote in person on election day.

Starting with this election cycle voters will receive a new voter ID card when they make a change to their voter registration. Voter registration forms are available on the Election Commission website.

Absentee requests are available in December on the Election Commission website.

Absentee deadline is April 7, 2025. 11:59 PM Central time. To receive an absentee for both elections you only need to make one request.

The Election Commission office can start receiving them beginning on December 7th.

Candidate Packets are available starting on the 6th of December.

If you do not receive a new voter ID card by the first of 2025. Reach out to the Election Commission office to verify the information we have on file.

Election dates: General 6-7-2025, Runoff General 7-26-25 (if necessary)

Voter registration deadline is March 31, 2025, 11:59 PM Central time.

Filing dates for candidates are February 3, 4, 5, and 6 2025, in person at the Election Commission office.