



# Cherokee Nation Tax Commission

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CHEROKEE NATION TAX COMMISSION  
MEETING  
(TELEPHONE)  
JUNE 8, 2022  
4:30 PM

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**Commission Present:** Chairman Wilson, (telephone), Commissioner Robinson (telephone), and Commissioner Doublehead (telephone)

**Staff Present:** Sharon Swepston, Shelia Sawney, Chelsea Fisher, Tammy Guinn (telephone), and Donnay Leach.

**Visitors Present:** None

**Roll Call:** Chairman Wilson

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wilson. Quorum was established with Chairman Wilson, Commissioner's Robinson, and Doublehead present.

**The Commission began with agenda items #1 – Approval of Minutes for March 9, 2022-** Commissioner Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Doublehead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda #2 Annual Business License Renewal Approval** - Shelia stated this is for the annual business license renewal for smoke shops and casinos. Commissioner Doublehead made a motion to approve the Annual Business License. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda #3 MV: 01-2-210.4 – Registration Rates** – Tammy stated that most of the fees have been removed from the Motor Vehicle Code, which will give the Tax Commission the ability to regulate them. Some of the fees are still bound by the Law. The Regular Class Fees are going to continue to be

bound by the Law. It was meant for all of these to be taken out of the Motor Vehicle Code. But for some reason they were not.

The Regular Class Fees will be bound by law, the Farm Vehicle, ATV, Disable Veterans, and the Medals of Honor will continue to be bound by law. The rest of them will be regulated by the Tax Commission.

Commissioner Robinson ask when is the compact going to expire. Sharon said 2023, and she has made the Secretary of State Office aware that is upcoming. They said they have been looking at it.

It has an automatic renewal and that is both for Motor Vehicle and Tobacco Compacts.

Commissioner Robinson made a motion to approve the Registration Rates. Commissioner Doublehead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

***Agenda #4 – Monthly Report-*** Sharon Swepston stated on Motor Vehicle year to date there is an 11% increase over what we were last year. On Revenue and Taxation we have a 32% increase. She said we still have a small decrease in our cigarette and tobacco tax. But have had major increases in our retail sales and alcohol tax.

Sharon reported that we will be opening the Stilwell Tag Office. We have a building, another Cherokee Nation office flooded and needed to move into our building temporarily. It was supposed to be for 30 days, now they are saying 90 days.

We have open three positions and have interviewed and made selections for those three positions for the Stilwell Tag Office.

Commissioner Doublehead made a motion to approve. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

***Agenda #5– Consideration, discussion, and possible approval regarding any matter not known about or which could not have reasonably been foreseen prior to the time of posting.***

Shelia Sawney stated she has two separate applications for vending permits for cigarette machines one is for Catoosa and the other is for Siloam Springs. The applications, documentation, and fees have been turned in.

Commissioner Robinson made a motion to approve the vending machine applications for Catoosa and Siloam Springs. Commissioner Doublehead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

***Agenda #6 – Executive Session*** - None

***Other New Business:*** None

***Public Comments:*** - None

***Adjournment:*** Commissioner Doublehead made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjourn at 4:42 PM. Our next meeting will be on September 14, 2022.

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Commissioner Approval