

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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Meeting Agenda - Final

Thursday, August 7, 2025

8:30 AM

Council Chambers

Tribal Council

I. Call to Order - Chairman*8:30 AM***II. Prayer****III. Roll Call****IV. Orders of the Day**

- 1.) [2025 -4864](#) An ordinance to update the Tribe's laws on Underground Storage Tanks
Attachments: [Item No. 1 0807025](#)
(New Ord)
- 2.) [2025 -4865](#)
Attachments: [Item No. 2 08072025 JIM DANIEL LITTLEJOHN](#)
ITEM NO. 2 08072025 LITTLEJOHN BACKUP
8:30 a.m.
- 3.) [2025 -4866](#) A resolution for the Estate of Priscilla Blanche Sneed Cooper
Attachments: [Item No. 3 08072025 PRISCILLA BLANCHE SNEED COOPER](#)
ITEM 3 08072025 BACKUP COOPER
- 4.) [2025 -4867](#) A resolution for the Estate of Maude Elizabeth French Paul
Attachments: [ITEM NO. 4 08072025 MAUDE ELIZABETH FRENCH PAUL](#)
ITEM NO. 4 08072025 BACKUP PAUL
- 5.) [2025 -4868](#) A resolution for the Estate of Peggy Rosalie Lambert
Attachments: [Item No. 5 08072025 PEGGY ROSALIE LAMBERT](#)
ITEM NO. 5 08072025 BACKUP LAMBERT
- 6.) [2025 -4773](#) Tabled Res. No. 445(25) - A resolution stating that sales of Tribal land to enrolled members shall be at fair market value as determined by Tribal Council
Attachments: [T. Res 445\(25\)](#)
8:40 a.m.
- 7.) [2025 -4777](#) Tabled Res. No. 448(25) - A resolution requesting an increase in the Christmas Checks
Attachments: [T. Res. 448\(25\)](#)
8:50 a.m.

- 8.) [2025 -4779](#) Tabled Ord. No. 451(25) - An ordinance to amend CC Section 130B-3 - governing how nominations for appointments to the CIHA Governing Board are made
Attachments: [T. Ord. 451\(25\)](#)
9:00 a.m.
- 9.) [2025 -4780](#) Tabled Ord. No. 452(25) - An ordinance amending the Tribes Laws on marijuana Section 17-51 - General Qualifications for Licensure or agent registration Section 17-74 Ownership Limitation
Attachments: [T. Ord. 452\(25\)](#)
9:10 a.m.
- 10.) [2025 -4810](#) Tabled Ord. No. 484(25) - An ordinance amending CC Sections 95-12 and 95-13 to delete the reference to "local Indians" and to clarify that the Tribes EmploymentPreference Law gives first preference to EBCI Enrolled Members
Attachments: [T. Ord. 484\(25\)](#)
9:20 a.m.
- 11.) [2025 -4848](#) A resolution authorizing TBE to construct a new Class II Facility and to secure and execute a loan agreement for the construction of said facility
Attachments: [item 16 7.10.25](#)
9:30 a.m.
- 12.) [2025 -4860](#) The Cherokee Choices Program requests to apply for and accept funds from the Liberated Capital Decolonizing Wealth Project in the estimated amount of \$100,000 for FY26-27
Attachments: [item 29 7.10.25](#)
9:40 a.m.
- 13.) [2025 -4861](#) A resolution requesting that the Senior Miss Cherokee title be established as part of the official Tribal Royalty and placed under the EBCI Pageant Board with a budget
Attachments: [item 30 7.10.25](#)
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9:50 a.m.
- 14.) [2025 -4843](#) Tabled Ord. No. 516(25) - Amendment to Cherokee Code Chapter 15 governing expungements should be amended and re-organized to expand the availability and clarify procedures for expungements to make the Code more effective and accessible to parties representing themselves
Attachments: [T. Ord. 516\(25\)](#)
10:00 a.m.

- 15.) [2025 -4844](#) Tabled Ord. No. 517(25) - An ordinance to amend CC Section 7.5-55 to remove the Attorney General's Office as a voting member of the Editorial Board of the Cherokee One Feather newspaper
Attachments: [T.Ord. 517\(25\)](#)
10:10 a.m.
- 16.) [2025 -4845](#) Tabled Ord. No. 518(25) - An ordinance to amend CC Sections 105-131; 105-33 to increase the Tribal Levy rate and short-term rental privilege tax rate
Attachments: [T. Ord 518\(25\)](#)
10:20 a.m.
- 17.) [2025 -4869](#) A resolution stating that the Tribe will find an alternative location for the meat processing facility referenced in Res. No. 491 (2025) and addressing the protest filed against that resolution
Attachments: [ITEM NO. 17 08072025 MEAT PROCESSING FACILITY](#)
10:30 a.m.
- 18.) [2025 -4870](#) A resolution requesting that Tribal Council designate usage of the Cooper Property purchased in Res. 273 (2022) as a medicine park and cultural use area
Attachments: [ITEM 18 08072025 MEDICINE PARK AND CULTURAL USE AREA COOPER F](#)
10:40 a.m.
- 19.) [2025 -4871](#) A resolution authorizing the Tribe to purchase Painttown Community Parcel Nos. 35 and 594
Attachments: [item no. 19 08072025 A resolution to purchase Painttown Parcel Nos. 35 and 594](#)
Item No. 19 08072025 backup
10:50 a.m.
- 20.) [2025 -4872](#) A resolution authorizing the Tribe to purchase Upper Cherokee Community Parcel Nos. 114, 109-B and 109-C
Attachments: [Item No. 20 08072025 upper Cherokee Comm. Parcel Nos 114, 109B and 109C](#)
Item No. 20 08072025 Backup
11:00 a.m.
- 21.) [2025 -4873](#) A resolution requesting the US Secretary of the Interior to take certain deeded real property, being approximately 69.9 acres, more or less, owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and situated in Cowee Township, Macon County NC into trust for the benefit of the Tribe
Attachments: [Item 21 08072025](#)
11:10 a.m.

- 22.) [2025 -4874](#) A resolution requesting the US Secretary of the Interior to take certain deeded real property, approximately 11.86 acres, more or less, owned by the EBCI and situated in Cheoah Township, Graham County, NC, into trust for the benefit of the Tribe

Attachments: [Item No. 22 08072025](#)

11:20 a.m.

- 23.) [2025 -4875](#) A resolution requesting the US Secretary of the Interior to take certain deeded real property being approximately 84.86 acres, more or less, owned by the EBCI and situated in Qualla Township, Jackson County, North Carolina, into trust for the benefit of the Tribe

Attachments: [Item No. 23 08072025](#)

11:30 a.m.

- 24.) [2025 -4876](#) A resolution requesting the US Secretary of the Interior to take certain deeded real property being approximately 188.36 acres, more or less, owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians adjacent to Camp Creek Road and situated in Qualla Township, Jackson County, North Carolina into trust for the benefit of the Tribe

Attachments: [Item No 24 08072025](#)

11:40 a.m.

- 25.) [2025 -4877](#) A resolution requesting the US Secretary of the Interior to take certain deeded real property, being approximately 5.76 acres, more or less, owned by the EBCI near Coopers Creek Road adjoining existing trust property and situated in Charleston Township, Swain County, North Carolina, into trust for the benefit of the Tribe

Attachments: [Item No. 25 08072025](#)

11:50 a.m.

Lunch

- 26.) [2025 -4878](#) A resolution to authorize the development of a uniform system for identifying, preserving, managing and marking Tribal historic properties

Attachments: [Item No 26 08072025](#)

1:10 p.m.

- 27.) [2025 -4879](#) A resolution to provide for the naming, preservation and appropriate use of the Thomas Valley Property

Attachments: [Item No. 27 0807205](#)

1:20 p.m.

- 28.) [2025 -4880](#) A resolution authorizing the withdrawal of funds from the Eastern Cherokee Indians North Carolina - 7224-S52/001/ACCOUNT (ACCOUNT NO. PL7224709) DERIVED FROM THE STONY RIDGE FIRE SETTLEMENT WITH DUKE ENERGY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SENNEBOGEN 718 TREE CARE HANDLER
Attachments: [ITEM NO. 28 08072025](#)
ITEM NO. 28 08072025 BACKUP

1:30 p.m.
- 29.) [2025 -4881](#) A resolution requesting to make Dr. Brett Riggs an Honorary Member of the EBCI
Attachments: [ITEM NO. 29 08272025](#)

1:40 p.m.
- 30.) [2025 -4882](#) A resolution to approve a budget amendment - Qualla Housing FY25 increase Use of Fund Balance for capital purchase
Attachments: [Item No. 30 08072025](#)
Item No. 30 08072025 BACKUP

1:50 p.m.
- 31.) [2025 -4883](#) A resolution to approve capital requests
Attachments: [Item No. 31 08072025](#)
Item No. 31 08072025 backup

2:00 p.m.
- 32.) [2025 -4884](#) the Housing Program requests to apply for and accept funds from Dogwood Health Trust
Attachments: [Item No. 32 08072025](#)

2:10 p.m.
- 33.) [2025 -4885](#) The Cherokee Dept of Transportation requests to apply for and accept funds from the Federal Highway Administration
Attachments: [Item No. 33 08072025](#)

2:20 p.m.
- 34.) [2025 -4886](#) A resolution requesting that the Macedonia Project be relocated
Attachments: [Item No. 34 08072025](#)

2:30 p.m.
- 35.) [2025 -4887](#) A resolution directing the Cannabis Control Board to develop regulations to establish tier-based licensing for small scale cultivation businesses within the Qualla Boundary
Attachments: [Item No. 35 08072025](#)

2:40 p.m.

- 36.) [2025 -4888](#) Donation resolution for August

Attachments: [Item 36 08072025](#)

2:50 p.m.

- 37.) [2025 -4889](#) A resolution authorizing the Tribe to hire a bank consulting firm to examine the feasibility of establishing a Tribal Bank

Attachments: [Item No. 37 08072025](#)

3:00 p.m.

Emergency Resolutions

Banishment Items if Necessary

V. Reports and Announcements

V. Recessed