

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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Meeting Agenda - Final

Thursday, September 4, 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 -4890](#) An ordinance to establish a deer hunting season and other changes need to natural resources law
Attachments: [item 1 9.4.25](#)
(New Ord.)
- 2.) [2025 -4891](#) An ordinance to correct special elections for School Board vacancies
Attachments: [item 2 9.4.25](#)
(New Ord.)
- 3.) [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\(25\)](#)
8:30 a.m.
- 4.) [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\(25\)](#)
8:40 a.m.
- 5.) [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\(25\)](#)
8:50 a.m.
- 6.) [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\(25\)](#)
9:00 a.m.
- 7.) [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\(25\)](#)
9:10 a.m.

- 8.) [2025 -4859](#) Tabled Res. No. 519(25) - A resolution to approve the FY2026 EBCI Annual Operating Budget
Attachments: [item 28 7.10.25](#)
[T. Res. 519\(25\)](#)

9:20 a.m.
- 9.) [2025 -4861](#) Tabled Res. No. 533 (2025) 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 1 08072025 Tabled Res. 533](#)
item 30 7.10.25
bu item 30 7.10.25

9:30 a.m.
- 10.) [2025 -4864](#) Tabled Ord. No. 536(25) - An ordinance to update the Tribe's laws on Underground Storage Tanks
Attachments: [Item No. 1 0807025](#)
[T.Ord. 536\(25\)](#)

9:40 a.m.
- 11.) [2025 -4866](#) Tabled Res. No. 543(25) - A resolution for the Estate of Priscilla Blanche Sneed Cooper
Attachments: ITEM 3 08072025 BACKUP COOPER
[T. Res. 543\(25\)](#)

9:50 a.m.
- 12.) [2025 -4872](#) Tabled Res. No. 549(25) - A resolution authorizing the Tribe to purchase Upper Cherokee Community Parcel Nos. 114, 109-B and 109-C
Attachments: Item No. 20 08072025 Backup
[T. Res. 549\(25\)](#)

10:00 a.m.
- 13.) [2025 -4889](#) Tabled Res. No. 556(25) - 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](#)
[T. Res. 556\(25\)](#)

10:10 a.m.
- 14.) [2025 -4892](#) A resolution to approve capital, funding and project requests
Attachments: [item 14 9.4.25](#)
bu item 14 9.4.25

10:20 a.m.

- 15.) [2025 -4893](#) Budget amendment - Cherokee Fitness Complex
Attachments: [item 15 9.4.25](#)
bu item 15 9.4.25

10:30 a.m.
- 16.) [2025 -4894](#) Budget amendment - Family Support Service
Attachments: [item 16 9.4.25](#)
bu item 16 9.4.25
- 17.) [2025 -4895](#) The Cherokee Fire Dept. requests to apply for and accept funds from Dogwood Health Trust in the estimated amount of \$80,142 for FY26
Attachments: [item 17 9.4.25](#)

10:40 a.m.
- 18.) [2025 -4896](#) The Cherokee Fire Dept. requests to apply for and accept funds from the Office of State Fire Marshal, HB1012 in the estimated amount of \$80,008 for FY26
Attachments: [item 18 9.4.25](#)
- 19.) [2025 -4897](#) The Natural Resources Program requests to apply for and accept funds from the Fish and Wildlife Service in the estimated amount of \$42,000 for FY25
Attachments: [item 19 9.4.25](#)
- 20.) [2025 -4898](#) The Natural Resources Program requests to apply for and accept funds from the US Forest Service in the estimated amount of \$1,197,530 for FY26-32
Attachments: [item 20 9.4.25](#)
- 21.) [2025 -4899](#) Appointment to Audit and Ethics Committee as an independent CPA
Attachments: [item 21 9.4.25](#)

10:50 a.m.
- 22.) [2025 -4900](#) Appointment to Audit and Ethics Committee as a community member
Attachments: [item 22 9.4.25](#)
- 23.) [2025 -4901](#) Donation resolution for the month of September
Attachments: [item 23 9.4.25](#)

11:00 a.m.
- 24.) [2025 -4902](#) A resolution requesting one to two buildable acres of property in the Snowbird Community for housing
Attachments: [item 24 9.4.25](#)

11:10 a.m.

- 25.) [2025 -4903](#) A resolution requesting that the Tribal ABC proceeds sent to the Tribe and earmark a percentage of proceeds to other local schools for other or new language and cultural classes
Attachments: [item 25 9.4.25](#)
[bu item 25 9.4.25](#)
11:20 a.m.
- 26.) [2025 -4904](#) A resolution for a financial agreement between EBCI and Qualla Enterprises, LLC regarding the promissory note and associated accrued interest to facilitate a distribution
Attachments: [item 26 9.4.25](#)
11:30 a.m.
- 27.) [2025 -4905](#) A resolution to approve the research project entitled, "La Crosse Encephalitis: Epidemiology to Elimination" by Ross M. Boyce, Associate Professor of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, UNC School of Medicine & Brian Byrd, Professor of Environmental Health Sciences, Western Carolina University
Attachments: [item 27 9.4.25](#)
11:40 a.m.
- 28.) [2025 -4906](#) A resolution calling for a referendum to amend Section 17 of the Charter and Governing Document to clearly state that a Tribal Official who has been impeached and removed from office is thereafter ineligible to run for or serve in office
Attachments: [item 28 9.4.25](#)
11:50 a.m.

Emergency Resolutions

Banishment Items if Necessary

- 29.) [2025 -4907](#) Christopher Dale Tredwell - banishment
Attachments: [item 29 9.4.25](#)
- 30.) [2025 -4908](#) Caleb Jage Eggen - banishment
Attachments: [item 30 9.4.25](#)
- 31.) [2025 -4909](#) Gary Lee McMahan - banishment
Attachments: [item 31 9.4.25](#)
- 32.) [2025 -4910](#) Earl Germaine Gresham - banishment
Attachments: [item 32 9.4.25](#)

V. Reports and Announcements

V. Recessed