

# **Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians**

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## **Meeting Agenda - Final**

**Thursday, January 8, 2026**

**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 -4917](#) Tabled Ord. No. 6(25) - An ordinance amending the judicial code - Chapter 7 of the Cherokee Code

*Attachments: [T. Ord. 6\(25\)](#)*

*8:30 a.m.*

2.) [2025 -4919](#) Tabled Ord. No. 11(25) - An ordinance to update the Tribe's laws on Underground Storage Tanks

*Attachments: [T. Ord. 11\(25\)](#)*

*8:40 a.m.*

3.) [2025 -4953](#) Tabled Ord. No. 54(25) - An ordinance to amend CC Sections 105-4, 106-21, and 106-22 to clarify remedies for failure to pay Tribal Levy and other fees, and to clarify when appeals may be made to Business Committee

*Attachments: [item 1 12.4.25](#)*

*8:50 a.m.*

4.) [2025 -4959](#) Tabled Res. No. 60(25) - A resolution for the Estate of Velma Jean Ledford O'Kelley

*Attachments: [item 7 12.4.25](#)*

*bu item 7 12.4.25*

*[T. Res. 60\(25\)](#)*

*9:00 a.m.*

5.) [2025 -4962](#) Tabled Res. No. 64(25) - A resolution for individuals listed to purchase one buildable acre of Tribal land for housing purposes for a purchase price of \$500 on the condition that they meet the requirements of Cherokee Code Section 47D-4

*Attachments: bu item 25 12.4.25*

*[T. Res. 64\(25\)](#)*

*9:10 a.m.*

6.) [2025 -4971](#) Tabled Ord. No. 75(25) - An ordinance to amend CC Section 17-12 to provide that the Cannabis Control Board shall select a member of the Board to serve as its Chairman

*Attachments: [T. Ord. No. 75\(25\)](#)*

*9:20 a.m.*

7.) [2025 -4972](#) Tabled Ord. No. 76(25) -An ordinance to amend CC Section 16-2.01 governing the terms of the members of the Tribal Gaming Commission, and CC Section 16A-3 governing the terms of the members of the Board of Advisors of the Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise  
*Attachments:* [T. Ord. 76\(25\)](#)  
9:30 a.m.

8.) [2025 -4973](#) A resolution to update the Fiscal Management Policy  
*Attachments:* [Item 8 1.8.26](#)  
bu item 8 1.8.26  
9:40 a.m.

9.) [2025 -4974](#) A resolution to approve capital requests  
*Attachments:* [item 9 1.8.26](#)  
bu item 9 1.8.26  
9:50 a.m.

10.) [2025 -4975](#) A resolution to add a position to the Natural Resources - Forestry Program (Supervisor)  
*Attachments:* [item 10 1.8.26](#)  
bu item 10 1.8.26  
10:00 a.m.

11.) [2025 -4976](#) A resolution to add a position to the Natural Resources - Forestry Program (Administrative officer)  
*Attachments:* [item 11 1.8.26](#)  
bu item 11 1.8.26  
10:10 a.m.

12.) [2025 -4977](#) A resolution to approve the research project entitled "National GSL State / Tribal Suicide Grant Evaluation" by Anna Hogberg, Area Director, Health, Wellness, and Prevention, Generation Schools Network  
*Attachments:* [item 12 1.8.26](#)  
10:20 a.m.

13.) [2025 -4978](#) A resolution to approve the research project, "Partnership Between the EBCI Natural Resources Department and the Integrative Conservation Doctoral Program" by Dr. Laura German of the University of Georgia in collaboration with Dr. Joe O'Brien and Integrative Conservation doctoral students  
*Attachments:* [item 13 1.8.26](#)  
10:30 a.m.

14.) [2025 -4979](#) A resolution to approve the research project, "Cherokee Constructs of Mental Health and Wellness" by Rachel Lam, and enrolled Cherokee Nation citizen pursuing a Masters of History through Western Carolina University's History Department and Cherokee Studies Program

Attachments: [item 14 1.8.26](#)

10:40 a.m.

15.) [2025 -4980](#) A resolution to acknowledge the 100th anniversary of the placement of the Qualla Boundary into trust with the United States of America

Attachments: [item 15 1.8.26](#)

bu item 15 1.8.26

10:50 a.m.

16.) [2025 -4981](#) A resolution requesting that Macie J. Welch be allowed to purchase one acre of Tribal Land for housing for a purchase price of \$500 on the condition that they meet the requirements of Cherokee Code Section 47D-4

Attachments: [item 16 1.8.26](#)

11:00 a.m.

17.) [2025 -4982](#) A resolution requesting that Miriam Stephanie Fuller be allowed to purchase one acre of Tribal land for housing for a purchase price of \$500 on the condition that they meet the requirements of Cherokee Code Section 47D-4

Attachments: [item 17 1.8.26](#)

18.) [2025 -4983](#) A resolution requesting that Tribal Council recognizes the inherent rights of the Longperson, a natural entity within the boundary and ancestral homelands of the Cherokee people

Attachments: [item 18 1.8.26](#)

11:10 a.m.

19.) [2025 -4984](#) A resolution requesting that Tribal Council express its full support for the Reconciliation in Place Names Act and urges the Untied States Congress to pass this legislation without delay

Attachments: [item 19 1.8.26](#)

11:20 a.m.

20.) [2025 -4985](#) A resolution requesting that the EBCI increase the Elder Heating Assistance Program benefit amount by \$250 per eligible household, effective for the next heating season

Attachments: [item 20 1.8.26](#)

11:30 a.m.

21.) [2025 -4986](#) A resolution required by Wells Fargo to confirm certain matters necessary to amend and extend the existing Revolving Credit and Term Loan Agreement between EBCI Holdings, LLC, and Wells Fargo in connection with the CSI Casino

Attachments: [item 21 1.8.26](#)

11:40 a.m.

22.) [2025 -4987](#) A resolution authorizing the Tribe to withdraw from NCAI and terminate its membership

*Attachments:* [item 22 1.8.26](#)

*11:50 a.m.*

23.) [2025 -4988](#) A resolution authorizing the EBCI to withdraw from USET and terminate its membership

*Attachments:* [item 23 1.8.26](#)

*12:00 p.m.*

**V. Reports and Announcements**

*Lunch*

***Emergency Resolutions***

***Banishment Items if Necessary***

**V. Recessed**