

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 8, 2019  
CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION**

**Call to order/Roll call of Commissioners:**

The meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Chairwoman Shawna Calico at 4:05 p.m.

Commissioner Carolyn Allen called roll and a quorum was established with the following commissioners present:

Shawna Calico, Chairwoman  
Pamela Sellers- Vice-Chair  
Carolyn Allen-Secretary  
Randy Campbell- Commissioner  
Rick Doherty- Commissioner

**Office staff present:**

Marcus Fears  
Connie Parnell

Attorney Harvey Chaffin was present.

**Guests present were:**

Paiten Qualls  
Chad Hunter

Chairwoman Shawna Calico asked for discussion and/or approval of the minutes of the December 17, 2018 Special Meeting. There being no discussion, Pamela Sellers made a motion to approve and Rick Doherty seconded the motion for approval of the minutes. The minutes were approved by all commissioners.

Shawna Calico----- Yes  
Pamela Sellers----- Yes  
Carolyn Allen----- --Yes  
Randy Campbell---Yes  
Rick Doherty----- Yes

**Administrator's Report:**

The Administrator's report was given by Marcus Fears. The report included updates on statistics on voter registrations and candidate packets are currently being requested. There have been no requests for recounts in the Special Election for District 7. Randy Campbell made a motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Rick Doherty. The administrator's report was approved by all commissioners. (Attachment 1)

Shawna Calico----- Yes  
Pamela Sellers-----Yes  
Carolyn Allen-----Yes  
Randy Campbell---Yes  
Rick Doherty----- Yes

#### **Election Director's Report:**

The Election Director's report was given by Connie Parnell. The report included updates on the 2019 election cycle preparation. Rick Doherty made a motion to approve and Pamela Sellers seconded the motion. The Election Director's report was approved by all commissioners. (Attachment 2)

Shawna Calico----- Yes  
Pamela Sellers-----Yes  
Carolyn Allen-----Yes  
Randy Campbell---Yes  
Rick Doherty----- Yes

#### **Attorney's Report:**

Attorney Harvey Chaffin reported the Administrator had responded to two email requests for information from Cara Cowan Watts. Citizen Robin Mayes has sent an email regarding background checks. This is being researched and a response will be forthcoming. Chairwoman Shawna Calico reported an email had been received from Council member Shawn Crittenden and a response will be forthcoming regarding his email. A motion was made by Randy Campbell to approve the Attorney's report. The motion was seconded by Rick Doherty and approved by all commissioners.

#### **Old Business:**

There were no old business items.

#### **Current Items:**

- a.) Consideration and possible action regarding the Request for Withdrawal or Change of Absentee Ballot Request form for the 2019 General/Run-Off elections:

Administrator Marcus Fears presented the above form stating it was the same form that had been approved for the 2019 Special District 7 election. The date on the form presented today for approval is reflective of the 2019 General/Run-Off elections. After discussion, a motion was made by Pamela Sellers and seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the Request for Withdrawal or Change of Absentee Ballot Request form for the 2019 General/Run-Off elections. The motion was approved by all commissioners. (Attachment 3)

Shawna Calico-----Yes  
Pamela Sellers-----Yes  
Carolyn Allen-----Yes  
Randy Campbell---Yes  
Rick Doherty----- Yes

**Executive Session:**

No executive session was held.

**Announcements:**

Administrator Marcus Fears announced he will place the approved Request for Withdrawal or Change of Absentee Ballot Request form for the 2019 General/Run-Off elections on the website.

Chairperson Shawna Calico commented she was appreciative of all the hard work and efforts given by the staff, the commission and all involved in the District 7 Special Election.

**Adjourn:**

A motion was made by Rick Doherty to adjourn at 4:35 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

**Minutes submitted by:**

Carolyn Allen, Secretary  
Cherokee Nation Election Commission  
January 9, 2018



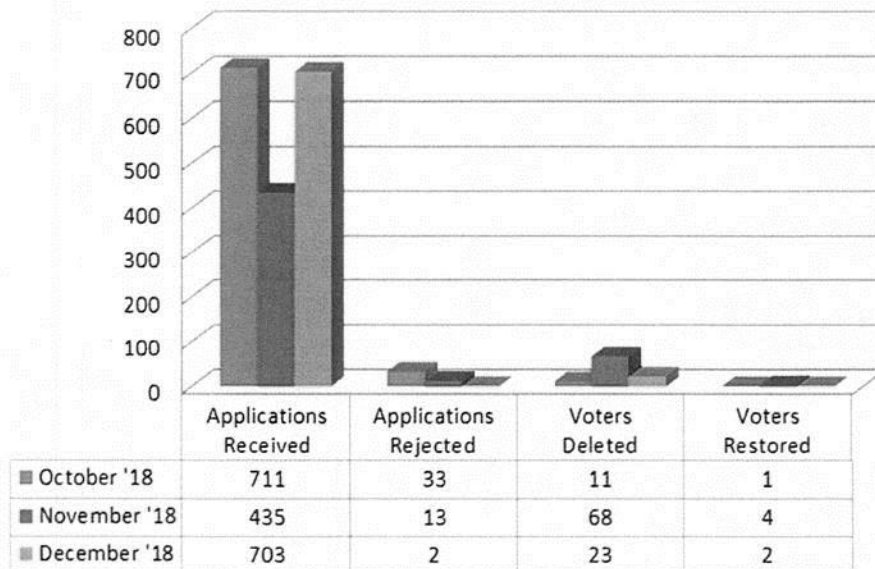
**I. OFFICE:**

December and the beginning of January blended together with the D7 Special Election. I am pleased with the performance of the office during election. It was good to get through a smaller one to gain knowledge and experience for the General this summer.

**II. VOTER PROCESSING:** As of 01/02/2019

**703 Applications; 71,335 Total Registered Voters; 40,587 In District; 30,748 At-Large**

**Voter Registration Statistics**



**A. Statistical Report:**

Detailed Data by District and Precinct is Attached

**III. VOTER OUTREACH:** No outreach while in election mode

**IV. ELECTION INFORMATION:**

**A. 2018-2019 District 7 Special Election**

- i. The election was held Jan 5, 2019 with 4 precincts open for voting. Stilwell, Westville, Cave Springs & Chewey.



**B. 2019 General Election**

- i. Packets are being passed out to citizens who request a packet
- ii. Information/Applicable Forms posted to our website under "Election Information"

**V. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:**

The FY19 is CURRENTLY on target. We will be closely monitoring the cost of the Special Election so we may be prepared for any future modification to our budget.



Date Range: 12/01/2018 - 12/31/2018

**Applications Received**

Voter Registration Applications	155
Absentee Applications	548
<b>Total</b>	<b>703</b>

**Registration Applications Rejected**

Insufficient Address	0
No Roll Number	0
Not Signed	1
Under Age	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>

**Deleted Registrations**

Duplicate	1
Voter Deceased	22
Voter Relinquished	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>

**Registration Status Changes**

Deleted Restored	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>

**Chronicle- Voter Registration by District and Precinct**

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<b>District</b>	<b>Precinct</b>	<b>Voters</b>
District No. 1	Hulbert	1,149
	Okay	303
	Tahlequah (1)	1,519
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>2,971</b>
District No. 2	Briggs	212
	Lowrey	230
	Tahlequah (2)	2,362
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>2,804</b>
District No. 3	Keys	779
	Tahlequah (3)	1,726
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>2,505</b>
District No. 4	Ft. Gibson	1,083
	Muskogee	512
	Warner	726
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>2,321</b>
District No. 5	Gore	306
	Sallisaw (5)	558
	Vian	1,122
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>1,986</b>
District No. 6	Belfonte	117
	Marble City	171
	Muldrow	1,575
	Sallisaw (6)	1,398
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>3,261</b>
District No. 7	Cave Springs	278
	Chewey	84
	Stilwell (7)	2,667
	Westville (7)	754
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>3,783</b>
District No. 8	Bell	216
	Stilwell (8)	974
	Westville (8)	426
	<b>Total for District</b>	<b>1,616</b>
District No. 9	Jay (9)	679
	Kansas	1,267

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<b>District</b>	<b>Precinct</b>	<b>Voters</b>
District No. 9	Kenwood	128
	Salina (9)	537
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>2,611</b>
District No. 10	Afton	590
	Grove	714
	Jay (10)	771
	Pryor (10)	534
	Salina (10)	199
	Spavinaw	147
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>2,955</b>
District No. 11	S. Coffeyville	445
	Vinita	1,721
	Welch	134
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>2,300</b>
District No. 12	Bartlesville	1,566
	Nowata	688
	Skiatook	112
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>2,366</b>
District No. 13	Catoosa	341
	Collinsville	973
	Tulsa	1,852
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>3,166</b>
District No. 14	Chelsea	536
	Claremore (14)	2,409
	Oologah	398
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>3,343</b>
District No. 15	Claremore (15)	818
	Locust Grove	864
	Pryor (15)	868
	Salina (15)	49
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>2,599</b>
At Large	At Large	30,748
<b>Total for District</b>		<b>30,748</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>71,335</b>



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## **2018 December Director Report:**

Election preparation was the whole month, not only for the Special dist. 7 election but also prep for the 2019 General and Run-off. Lots to do and lots still to do before the June 1, 2019 General election.

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## **REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OR CHANGE OF ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST**

☐ I am requesting my Absentee Ballot Request for the 2019 General Election & Run-Off Election be CANCELLED/WITHDRAWN

☐ I am requesting TO CHANGE where my Absentee Ballot for the 2019 General Election & Run-Off Election is mailed.

**BLUE TRIBAL CITIZENSHIP CARD/ REGISTRY NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME (TYPE OR PRINT):** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOME ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING ADDRESS** (If different from home address): \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE OF BIRTH:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HANDWRITTEN SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Witnesses, if mark used 1.** \_\_\_\_\_ **2.** \_\_\_\_\_

### **FOR RECEIPT CONFIRMATION AND ABSENTEE INFORMATION CONTACT THE CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION**

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**Absentee Ballot Request Forms for the General Election will be accepted until Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> 2019, midnight CST.**

**Absentee Ballot Request Forms for the Run-Off Election (if necessary), will be accepted until the deadline of June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019, midnight CST**

**FORMS CAN BE RETURNED BY: MAIL, FAX, E-MAIL, OR HAND DELIVERED TO THE  
ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE.**

**OFFICE USE ONLY:** DIST: \_\_\_\_\_ PRECINCT: \_\_\_\_\_ ACCEPT: \_\_\_\_\_ REJECT: \_\_\_\_\_

**REJECTION REASON:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTES:** \_\_\_\_\_