

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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Meeting Agenda - Final

Thursday, April 2, 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.) [2026 -5035](#) An ordinance to amend C Chapter 55D to provide that revenues obtained by EBCI Holdings, LLC from the Ceasars Southern Indiana Casino, and distributed to the Tribe shall be allocated to the Tribes General Fund and Debt Service Sinking Fund
Attachments: [item 1 4.2.26](#)
(New Ord.)
- 2.) [2026 -5036](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 47E to ban data centers on EBCI Trust Lands
Attachments: [item 2 4.2.26](#)
(New Ord.)
- 3.) [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.
- 4.) [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.
- 5.) [2025 -4945](#) Tabled Res. No. 27(25) - A resolution to provide for transparency in tribal governance
Attachments: [T. Res. 27\(25\)](#)
8:50 a.m.
- 6.) [2025 -4948](#) Tabled Res. No. 30(25) - A resolution to enhance transparency in tribal governance
Attachments: [T. Res. 30\(25\)](#)
9:00 a.m.
- 7.) [2025 -4980](#) Tabled Res. No. 88(2026) - A resolution to acknowledge the 100th anniversary of the placement of the Qualla Boundary into trust with the United States of America
Attachments: bu item 15 1.8.26
[T. Res. 88\(26\)](#)
9:10 a.m.

- 8.) [2026 -5006](#) Tabled Res. No. 125(26) - A resolution to authorize a Tribal census for the purpose of adjusting Tribal Council weighted votes
Attachments: [item 25 2.5.26](#)
[T. Res. 125\(26\)](#)
9:20 a.m.
- 9.) [2026 -5015](#) Tabled Ord. No. 135(26) - An ordinance to establish an elk hunting season
Attachments: [item 1 3.5.26](#)
[T.Ord. 135\(26\)](#)
9:30 a.m.
- 10.) [2026 -5016](#) Tabled Ord. No. 136(26) - An ordinance to establish the EBCI digital sovereignty
Attachments: [item 2 3.5.26](#)
[T.Ord. 136\(26\)](#)
9:40 a.m.
- 11.) [2026 -5017](#) Tabled Ord. No. 137(26) - An ordinance to amend CC Chapter 16C so that distributions to qualified enrolled members from the Minors Trust Fund are treated as general welfare distributions and not subject to federal income tax
Attachments: [item 3 3.5.26](#)
[T.Ord. 137\(26\)](#)
9:50 a.m.
- 12.) [2026 -5037](#) A resolution requesting that Jesse Toineeta be allowed to purchase the "Proposed Playground Area" located on Blankenship Tract in the Big Cove Community for \$500
Attachments: [item 12 4.2.26](#)
10:00 a.m.
- 13.) [2026 -5038](#) A resolution allowing Denise Winkler Hall, FGH, to transfer her interest in Cherokee County Parcel No. 169 (Part of Tract No. 11) to an EBCI Enrolled Member
Attachments: [item 13 4.2.26](#)
bu item 13 4.2.26
10:10 a.m.
- 14.) [2026 -5039](#) A resolution requesting that Tribal Council proclaim that last Wednesday in April as "Denim Day" to promote awareness and education on the impacts of sexual harassment, abuse, assault, and rape in our communities
Attachments: [item 14 4.2.26](#)
10:20 a.m.

- 15.) [2026 -5040](#) A resolution requesting to honor Davy Mitchell Arch as a Beloved Man of the EBCI
Attachments: [item 16 4.2.26](#)
[bu item 15 4.2.26](#)

10:30 a.m.
- 16.) [2026 -5041](#) A resolution to encourage the Tribe and Cherokee Central Schools to open sporting events with a prayer spoken in the Cherokee Language
Attachments: [item 16 4.2.26](#)

10:40 a.m.
- 17.) [2026 -5042](#) A resolution to encourage Tribal Council to begin Tribal Council sessions with a prayer spoken in the Cherokee Language
Attachments: [item 17 4.2.26](#)
- 18.) [2026 -5043](#) Donation resolution for the month of April
Attachments: [item 18 4.2.26](#)
- 19.) [2026 -5044](#) A resolution requesting to remove a Board member from the Qualla Enterprises LLC Board
Attachments: [item 19 4.2.26](#)

bu item 19 4.2.26

11:20 a.m.
- 20.) [2026 -5045](#) Cherokee Youth Center to apply for and accept funds from the Boys & Girls Club of America Native Services in the amount of \$2,000 for FY 26-27
Attachments: [item 20 4.2.26](#)
- 21.) [2026 -5046](#) Cherokee Youth Center to apply for and accept funds from the Boys & Girls Club of America Native Services in the estimated amount of \$4,000 for FY 26-27
Attachments: [item 21 4.2.26](#)
- 22.) [2026 -5047](#) Cherokee Youth Center to apply for and accept funds from the Boys & Girls Club of America Native Services in the amount of \$1,000 for FY 26-27
Attachments: [item 22 4.2.26](#)
- 23.) [2026 -5048](#) Natural Resources to apply for and accept funds from the EPA in the estimated amount of \$556,588 for FY27
Attachments: [item 23 4.2.26](#)
- 24.) [2026 -5049](#) Child Advocacy Program to apply for and accept funds from the NC Dept of Health and Human Services in the estimated amount of \$134,000 for FY26-27 on a continuing basis
Attachments: [item 24 4.2.26](#)

- 25.) [2026 -5050](#) Cooperative Extension Program requests to apply for and accept funds from the Newman Foundation in the estimated amount of \$200,000 for a total project cost of \$400,000 for FY27
Attachments: [item 25 4.2.26](#)
- 26.) [2026 -5051](#) Cooperative Extension Program to apply for and accept funds from the Newman Foundation in the estimated amount of \$100,000 for FY27
Attachments: [item 26 4.2.26](#)
- 27.) [2026 -5052](#) Cooperative Extension Program to apply for and accept funds from the Native American Agriculture Fund in the estimated amount of \$250,000 for FY27
Attachments: [item 27 4.2.26](#)
- 28.) [2026 -5053](#) Cooperative Extension Program to apply for and accept funds from the Dogwood Health Trust in the estimated amount of \$500,000 for FY27-28
Attachments: [item 28 4.2.26](#)
- 29.) [2026 -5054](#) A resolution to approve a budget amendment for Tsalagi Public Health
Attachments: [item 29 4.2.26](#)
bu item 29 4.2.26

11:30 a.m.
- 30.) [2026 -5055](#) A resolution to approve capital, funding and project requests
Attachments: [item 30 4.2.26](#)
bu item 30 4.2.26
- 31.) [2026 -5056](#) A resolution to update the Fiscal Management Policy
Attachments: [item 31 4.2.26](#)
bu item 31 4.2.26

V. Reports and Announcements

Lunch

Emergency Resolutions

Banishment Items if Necessary

V. Recessed