Kickapoo Tribal Council has new leadership (KNZA)--The Kickapoo Tribal Council in Kansas has new leadership.

According to a release, Gail Cheatham was elected to her first term as Tribal Chairwoman this past Saturday. Joining her in leadership roles are Grace Ross, who will serve as Treasurer, along with Priscilla Cadue-Wakole and Jessi Blacksmith, who were elected as Tribal Council members.

The four will assume office for three-year terms, effective immediately.

The release says the seven-member Tribal Council plays a vital role in shaping policies, overseeing government programs and executing the collective will of the Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas General Membership.

Chairwoman Cheatham expressed her deep commitment to her new role, stating, "Serving the Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas is both a privilege and an honor as I begin my term. Safeguarding and championing our sovereignty and lands is the solemn duty of every Tribal Council member. We embrace this responsibility with unwavering resolve, nurturing a vision of prosperity and balance for our tribe and its people."

An official swearing-in ceremony is to be announced.

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