

MINUTES - CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE ALABAMA

The Cherokee County Commission met in regular session on the date specified below in the Commission Office, Centre, Alabama. During the course of the meeting, bills were reviewed and approved as per attached at month-end. Members present or absent are noted accordingly.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
January 8, 2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Harold Woodall opened with prayer.

1. Vicki Robinson, Cherokee County Herald, presented information regarding the next publication of the Progress Edition of the paper. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to purchase an advertisement for 222.39 on behalf of the Commission passed 4-0. The special publication will be available on February 28.
  2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to approve the closing of a road as requested by Ricky Young pending a properly prepared petition to do so is provided at the next meeting passed 4-0. The road is CR 495.
  3. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Harold Woodall to authorize the chairman to sign an agreement for engineering services with ADL, Inc. for the sewer project at Leesburg, KTH Plant passed 4-0. Copy of the agreement is on file in the Commission Office.
  4. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to approve Excess Land Redemption to James Phillips for 234.22 passed 4-0. Copy attached.
  5. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt the Minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.
  6. Highway Dept personnel addressed the Commission regarding the Personnel Policy Holiday pay procedure. No action was taken.
  7. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to provide a check to the City of Centre for the balance of the 1 00,000.00 allocated and agreed upon for use in the Civic Center Project passed 4-0. The balance of 95,880.94 plus 4,119.06 previously written to CDG Engineers satisfies the obligation.
- There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
January 22, 2001	All except Dale Welsh	Dale Welsh, District I

The chairman called the meeting to order and Leon Smith opened with prayer.

I. The engineer presented documents regarding FAS allocation for paving for the year.

Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to approve CR's 20/5 from CR 7 to CR 7 and motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to approve CR 18 passed 3-0. Bid letting will be February and paving is planned for this year. Copies of documents are attached.

2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize the county attorney to write a letter to Progressive Insurance Company advising of possible litigation if payment for damage to the Broce Broom is not made. Motion passed 3-0.

3. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize the engineer to prepare bid specs for purchase or lease of a Gradall in the amount of some 250,000.00 passed 3-0. Funds are budgeted.

4. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to authorize the chairman to sign a resolution and other documents for a grant for water lines in the Bells Crossroads area to be administered by NE Alabama Water and Sewer passed 3-0. Copies of documents are on file in the Commission Office.

5. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to approve Excess Land Redemption for 31.15 to Ruby Crow passed 3-0. Copy attached.

6. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 3-0.

7. The engineer advised that data for the Subdivision as discussed previously by Ricky Young will soon be forthcoming.

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE      PRESENT      ABSENT  
February 5, 2001 All except: Harold Woodall, District IV

The chairman called the meeting to order and Dale Welsh opened with prayer. The purpose of the meeting was to approve a grant agreement with ADECA for 500,000.00 to upgrade the sewage treatment plant in Leesburg regarding KTH. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to approve the agreement and authorize the chairman to sign passed 3-0. Fully completed documents will be sent to the grant administrator, Morton & Associates and to ADECA.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
February 12, 2001	All except District III	Kathryn Black

The chairman called the meeting to order and Harold Woodall opened with prayer.

i. Highway Department Resolutions regarding bridge replacement bond issue funding were adopted as noted. Copies of each resolution are attached. All motions passed 3-0.

Motion	Second	Description
Dale Welsh	Harold Woodall	CR 12 NW of CR 29 Dale Welsh Earl Westbrook CR 114 W of Al 35 Earl Westbrook Dale Welsh CR 47 N of Al 273 Earl Westbrook Harold Woodall CR 39 N of CR 32 Harold Woodall Earl Westbrook CR 17 N of CR 70 Earl Westbrook Harold Woodall CR 24 E of Etowah Co Line Earl Westbrook Harold Woodall CR 47 N of Al 273 (1) Harold Woodall Earl Westbrook CR 47 N of Al 273 (2) Dale Welsh Harold Woodall CR 8 E of CR 179 Earl Westbrook Dale Welsh CR 83 NE of Al 9

2. Excess Land Redemption Certificates were presented as follows. Copies of the certificates are attached. All motions passed 3-0.

Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Dale Welsh; 99.21; David McDaniel Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook; 13.63; Glenn Harrison Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Dale Welsh; 50.39; James Phillips Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall; 15.7(; D. McDaniel Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall; 54-84; J. Phillips

3. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve a recommendation by ADL Engineering to accept the low bid Of 58,325.00 by Hokes Bluff Construction Company for sewer expansion at Leesburg due to the KTH Plant passed 3-0.

4. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to fund 2,000,00 to the Airport Authority so its board members may begin activity passed 3-0.

5. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to authorize the chairman to sign a contract with Lambert Roofing far 80,000.00 to place a standing seam metal roof on the courthouse building passed 3-0.

6. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to revise the Personnel Policy so that pay for certain holiday work may be made rather than the employee being required to take the holiday time off at a later date passed 3-0. A copy of the exact language and intent of the Commission is attached.

7. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to agree to pay for a phone line for the Circuit Judges so that computers, provided by the state, may be installed passed 3-0.

8. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the Special meeting of February 1 passed 3-0.

9. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to adopt the minutes of the previous regular meeting passed 3-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
February 26, 2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Wayne Cochran opened with prayer.

1. The county attorney presented a check for 4,500.00 as payment for damages sustained to the Highway Department Broce Broom. The check represents settlement of a 6400.00 repair bill. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize the chairman to sign a release form that was presented with the check passed 4-0.

2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt a resolution in support of the DA Office request of the Legislative Delegation to increase certain fees from 1.50 to 5.00 to benefit the Law Library Fund passed 4-0. Copy of resolution is attached.

3- The Commission took no action regarding the policy of providing each school with 5,000.00 in lieu of accepting work or funding requests as described in a letter from the Administrator. Tommy McDaniel asked that the Board of Education not be required to match the funding to each school and cited pro-ration as the purpose.

4. The engineer advised that, weather permitting, Goodhope is to begin paving CR 104. He also advised that McCartney will begin paving CR 20, CR 5, and CR 18 this spring or summer. A check for 8,135.00 has been received for the Waldrop SD road which meets specs and for which a deed and a plat has been received. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to approve acceptance of the road into the system passed 4- 0.

5. An agreement between the Department of Environmental Management and the Commission will be considered and the matter will be taken up next meeting.

6. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to increase the county mileage rate to 34.5c/mile, in line with the state rate, as requested by the Revenue Commissioner passed 4-0.

7- Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to authorize the chairman to sign and invoice for payment for engineering services at the KTH site for waste water treatment passed 4-0. Copy is attached.

8. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize the chairman to sign an agreement for architectural services by Ben Connally passed 4-0.

9. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Dale Welsh to approve Excess Land Redemption Certificate for Ruby Crowe for 40.21 passed 4-0.

10. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to reappoint Sue Ellis and Julie O'Neal to the Library Board for 4-year terms which will expire

February, 2005 passed 4-0. other members will be appointed to 4-year terms as each current term expires. This will create staggered appointments of which all will be 4-year terms.

11. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to reappoint Leon Smith and Harry Moon to the Cherokee County Communications District Board passed 4-0. Each term will expire January, 2005.

12. The Commission took no action to share or fund a travel expense of 1,500.00 as requested by Sarah Mosely, Board of Education, for a show choir made up of students.

13. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PMENT	ABSENT
March 12, 2001	All	None

The Chairman called the meeting to order and Dale Welsh opened with prayer.

1. Jim Cody and Shiela Hurley with CED Mental Health presented a verbal status report of that area's activities during the past year.
2. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Dale Welsh to purchase an 800 MHz radio for the Dispatch Office at a Cost Of 2,000.00 as requested by Leon Smith passed 4-0. It will be identical to one already installed in the EMA Office that was provided by the state.
3. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt a resolution as per attached to classify CR 13 as a minor collector between Mays Store and CR 22 passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve and authorize the chairman to sign an agreement as per attached for the paving of CR 18, CR 20, and CR 5 passed 4-0. McCartney Construction will perform the work at a cost Of 547,000-00 with 14,880.00 due in Montgomery by April i.
- 5- Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve and authorize the chairman to sign an agreement as per attached for the paving of CR 5i and CR 117 using FAS funding which will be in the April bid lettings passed 4-0.
6. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve and authorize the chairman to sign an agreement as per attached for the paving of CR 89 using State funding at a cost of i86,000.00 with Goodhope Construction performing the work passed 4-0.
7. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to approve and authorize the chairman to sign an agreement as per attached for the paving of CR 148, CR 8, CR 63, CR 65, CR 136, CR 686, CR 97, and CR 56 using state funding at a cost of some 650,000-00 with Goodhope Construction performing the work passed 4-0.
8. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt a resolution utilizing FAS funds for paving CR 75 to the intersection of US 411 passed 4-0.
- 9- Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Harold Woodall to adopt a resolution utilizing FAS funds for paving CR 31 passed 4-0.
10. The county attorney will review agreements between the towns of Leesburg and Cedar Bluff and the county regarding special appropriations from the state through the Highway Department.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
March 26, 2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Mr. Mark Green opened with prayer.

1. Mr. Abbott and Mrs. Alexander discussed Long Term Care needs for employees and immediate family members. Care may be administered in a nursing home, assisted living facilities, or in-home. The package is endorsed by the ACCA and several counties have opted to pay part or all of each employees cost. The nominal cost for nursing home care in the state is currently about 120.00/day. The approximate premium for 60.00/day coverage is 12.00/month and varies with increased or decreased coverage. The matter will be considered further.

2. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Harold Woodall to adopt a resolution subject of receipt of one signed by all towns/cities in the county for creation of a Civic Center Authority as presented by Mel Williams and Bill Hawkins passed 4- 0.

3- Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Far] Westbrook to authorize the engineer to negotiate with engineering consulting firms to develop a watershed restoration action strategy. An agreement for funding between ADEM and the county was approved with the chairman authorized to sign the document. Motion passed 4- 0.

4- Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Harold Woodall to approve the recommendation of ADLL Inc. to award the bid Of 47,737-50 to Hokes Bluff Construction Company for relocation of sewer lines at the Leesburg Waste Water Treatment Plant passed 4-0.

5- Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve Excess Land Redemption Certificate for 4.53 to Glenn Harrison as per attached passed 4-0.

6. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

March 12, 2001 (cont'd)

11. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to purchase a Gradall excavator for 235,521.00 with a 30,000.00 buy-back option from Tractor & Equipment Company. Motion includes authorization for the Chairman, Engineer, and Administrator to secure the best financing at a local bank for a period not exceeding 5 years and for the Chairman to sign any financing documents. Motion passed 4-0.

12. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to reappoint Eric Ellis, Jack Anthony, and Hobart Barnes to the Cherokee County Health Care Board passed 4-0.

13. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to appoint Gary Hopper to fill the unexpired term of Paul Maddox on the Cherokee County Health Care Board passed 4-0. Mr. Maddox resigned due to health.

14. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to approve Excess land Sale Redemption for 4.97 to James Phillips passed 4-0.

15. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Harold Woodall to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
April 9, 2000	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Harold Woodall opened with prayer.

1. The sheriff requested permission to hire a full time jail secretary to replace the former secretary who has been transferred to the Sheriff Office. Starting pay was requested at level 5o-5,17,430-00/year. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Harold Woodall to approve the request passed 4-0.

2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to approve Excess Land Redemption Certificate for David McDaniel for 41.28 passed 4-0. Copy is attached.

3- Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

4. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to appoint William C. Jordan to replace Whit Lathem on the CED Mental Health Board

passed 4-0. Mr. Lathem has been appointed by Etowah County. Mr. Jordan's term will expire April, 2005.

5. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to approve and authorize the chairman to sign contract documents for the Leesburg Wastewater Treatment Plant Force Main Relocation Project passed 4-0.

The document was prepared and presented by ADL, Inc., the engineering firm that manages the project. The project number is AL-13-4-3 and is connected to funding commonly referred to as "the Aderholt money'.

6.

Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to allocate blanket authority to the chairman to sign all necessary documents, as they are received during the carryings-on of a project, regarding grants that have been approved in advance by a majority vote of the Commission. The intent is to facilitate processing and to make routine day-to-day processing more efficient. Motion passed 4-0.

7. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to authorize the chairman to sign an agreement with the Town of Leesburg to cooperate in the resurfacing and striping of CR i5 from US 411 to Al 68 for some 2.2 miles passed 4-0. Copy of agreement is attached.

8. The Administrator was authorized to allocate funds in the Tourism, Recreation, and Conventions (TRC) Fund to the Park Board in a manner that is efficient and consistent with other various appropriations of the budget. Said funds were previously agreed to be disbursed accordingly on July 12, 1999 during the forthcoming budget development.

9. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize the chairman to sign an agreement between ADEM and the Commission for 30,000-00 for development of a watershed management plan for the Upper Coosa River Watershed passed 4-0. Copy attached.

10. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to authorize the chairman to sign an agreement with CH2M Hill, Inc., consultant, to provide engineering services with regard to the above stated plan passed

4-0. Said motion also includes authorization for the chairman to sign an agreement to proceed with engineering services and preparation of a Watershed Restoration Action Strategy for Weiss Lake Watershed as required in the County Clean Water Action Plan grant contract.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.



DATE                      PRESENT                      ABSENT April 23, 2001      All                      None

The Chairman called the meeting to order and Dale Welsh opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Harold Woodall to adopt a resolution as per attached to start the FAS project for CR i5 in the Leesburg City Limits passed 4-0.
2. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to authorize the engineer to handle various bridge projects that have been selected in accordance with the State bond issue. Ten sites are subject to surveying, etc. and negotiations with Jones, Blair, Waldrup, and Tucker for engineering services has commenced since the state must consent to any engineering requirements addressed locally. Motion passed 4-0.
- 3- Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to adopt a resolution and authorize the chairman to sign documents regarding pedestrian crosswalks at schools and the courthouse. Various upgradings, signage, etc. at a cost of about 20,000.00 will be involved and will be 100% funded by the state. Motion passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to provide each school with the 5,000.00 as budgeted in the General Fund and to provide each school with the Board of Education required match Of 5,000.00, as agreed during budget considerations, from the Boards portion of the Landfill Fund receipts. Reminders will be issued which note that the match may only be used by each school in the area of capital improvements. Motion passed 4-0. Copy of reminder attached.
- 5- Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt a resolution as provided by East Alabama Commission on Aging to proclaim May as Older Americans Month passed 4-0. Copy attached.
6. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Date	PRESENT	ABSENT
May 14,2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Wayne Cochran opened with prayer-

1. The Revenue Commissioner discussed upgrading the computer system to an RS 6000 system with software supported by S & W Minicomputers, Inc. which meets all standards required by the state for property applications. An AS 400 system previously purchased but never used will be taken by S & W for the amount of the purchase price as part of the entire cost. Delta software, which runs on an AS 400, and has been reviewed for Over 3 years, has not been visited to determine the feasibility of those applications. The Commission appointed the Chairman, the Revenue Commissioner, and the County Administrator to visit sites running each of these systems and come to a recommendation as to the hardware and the software that would be most conducive to the county's needs.

2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to purchase 40 congratulatory ads for graduating seniors at a cost of 150.00 passed 4-0.

3- Martha Voyles and a group from the Waterhouse Campground Association presented comments and photographs of a house trailer that is an eyesore at the entrance to the campground. They have discussed the matter with the Health Department, a Commissioner, the County Administrator, and others in efforts to determine if any disposition of the vehicle can be made. The Health Department has issued a legal notice to the owner, Christopher Culpepper, to have the trailer removed as it sits partially on private property and partially on Association property. The Commissioner advised the party to secure an attorney.

4. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to authorize the chairman to sign a resolution and agreement with the state to pave Summerplace Road in Cedar Bluff passed 4-0. Copies attached.

5- Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to concur with the award of a bid to Goodhope Construction to pave CR,5i and CR 117 at a cost Of 55,300-00, to authorize the chairman to sign, and to provide matching funds from the Landfill Fund passed 4-0. The local match must be in Montgomery by May 23.

6. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to adopt a resolution to post speed limit signs in certain selected sections of CR 13 at 3.5 MPH rather than 45 MPH as per attached passed 4-0.

7- The reclaimer is on site and approximately 3 weeks work is scheduled. Any additional needs should be registered at the Highway Department prior to release of the equipment.

8. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to reschedule the next meeting for Tuesday, the 29th rather than Monday, the 28th due to a holiday passed 4-0.

9. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to appropriate the county portion of match money for the Airport Authority from the General Fund and that the appropriation represents 1/3 of the annual cost at this point totaling 31,300-00 passed 4-0.

10. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to appropriate to the Cherokee County Area Vocational School 10,000.00 from the Board of Education portion of Landfill Fund monies to be used only for capital improvements passed 4-0.

II. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PMENT	ABSENT
May 29, 2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Harold Woodall opened with prayer-

1. Vickie Robinson, Cherokee County Herald, presented a sample ad that has run for some time in the Past Times Magazine section of the paper on an annual basis. It is a half page ad priced at 225-36. The theme for the upcoming publication is museums and will be published on August 22, 200i and will 90 into 36,300 homes. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to approve the purchase of the ad as defined passed 4-0.

2. Motions to approve the following 3 agreements regarding paving FAS Routes and authorize the chairman to sign each agreement are as follows:

Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh for CR 31 from CR22 TOCR 3o at a cost of 163,100.00;

Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black for CR 69 From US 411 to CR22at a cost Of 149,500.00;

Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook for CR 8 From Alabama 9 to CR 10 at a cost Of 353,000.00. Motions passed 4-0. Copies attached.

3. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve a grant agreement for 35,000-00 from the Alabama Historical Commission for use at Cornwall Furnace and to authorize the chairman to sign as per attached passed 4-0.

4- Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to approve a grant agreement for 50,000-00 from ADECA for use on the Civic Center Project and to authorize the chairman to sign as per attached passed 4-0.

5. Excess Land Redemptions were granted as follows with a 4-0 vote:

Motion	Second	Owner	Amount	Harold Woodall	Earl Westbrook	Ruby
Crowe	59.22	Earl Westbrook	Harold Woodall	James Phillips	30-15	Dale Welsh
Westbrook	Lee Anthony	12-46	Earl Westbrook	Harold Woodall	Kenneth Reaid	134-83
Dale Welsh	Earl Westbrook	Kenneth Reaid	26-17			

6. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE                      PRESENT                      ABSENT June 11, 2001                      All                      None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Dale Welsh opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to accept a settlement offer from Progressive Insurance for 2,242.00 in regards to an auto accident between Charles Young, a county employee, and Jerry Brock, owner and operator of Brock Pile Drivers. The motion authorizes the chairman to sign a release in the matter subject to a review by the county attorney. Motion passed 4-0 pending approval by the county attorney.

2. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to renew the contract between the county and Preferred Health Services (PHS) for the Nutrition and Public Transportation Programs passed 4-0. Copy attached.

3- Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to authorize the chairman to sign appropriate documents (copy attached) regarding the Public Transportation Program as presented by East Alabama Regional Planning & Development Commission. The documents are required in order to participate in the program.

4. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

5- After adjournment, the Commissioners presented scholarship monies to local high school students as previously agreed upon by landfill management. Present during the presentment was landfill manager Jackie A. Moore. The following students received 600.00 scholarships: Whitney Wilson Cedar Bluff School Accompanied by Bobby Mintz and Mr. & Mrs. Mae Wilson  
Jessica Smith Sand Rock School Accompanied by Charlotte Hooper  
Adam Benefield Spring Garden School  
Gaylesville School and Cherokee County High School has not responded with student names.

DATE                      PRESENT                      ABSENT June 25, 2001      All                      None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Harold Woodall opened with prayer-

1. The Revenue Commissioner presented an annual report of errors and insolvancies. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Harold Woodall to approve the report and authorize the chairman to sign passed 4-0.  
2. Jerry Young, Tommy McDaniel, and a group Of 12 addressed the matter of septic tank systems that have been constructed recently. Some are above ground while others are installed in a conventional manner. Wade Bobo, Jane Burt, and Mr. Stutts with the Health Department explained procedures of permitting such installations. The parties will converse at a later date in an effort to reconcile any differences.  
3- Mrs. Green and a group of property owners in the Sand Valley area discussed sewer installations above ground by Cherokee Environmental Services. No action was taken by the Commission as it has no authority in the matter.

4. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to approve a petition and resolution to vacate CR 323 as per attached passed 4-0.

5. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to appoint Bobbie Chapman to the Alabama Mountain Lakes Association Board to replace the County Administrator passed 4-0.

6. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

7. Excess Land Sale Redemption's were approved as follows:

Motion:	Second:					
63.22	James Phillips	Harold Woodall	Dale Welsh			
13-77	Glenn Harrison	Dale Welsh	Harold Woodall	188.66	Larry Johnson	Dale Welsh
Earl Westbrook	202.63	Tim Culbert	Dale Welsh	Harold Woodall	All motions passed 4-0.	

8. Appropriations to schools, work performed for schools, and requests from schools for work performed by the Highway Department was discussed. It was agreed that the budgeted 5,000.00 appropriation is to cover the cost established. Non county agencies work requests will be scheduled outside regular work hours of the Highway Department and will be billed in accordance with non-school policy as noted above. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

July 9, 2001 All

None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Dale Welsh opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to declare an emergency situation at the Highway Department regarding the use of a reclaimer. A bid was awarded in November to Joe Money Machinery for lease of a machine. Upon arrival on May 14, it was put to immediate use and was operated only 2 Y2days at which time it became obvious that it needed extensive maintenance and repair. It was picked up by the low bidder for repairs. Since various roads have been scheduled for its use, and since time is running short for the work-window for the machine, bids invitations have been sent to re-bid this device so that some roadwork may be accomplished this year. Bids will be opened July 23,2001 at 9:00 AM. The Examiners of Public Accounts have been consulted and have no problem with the declared emergency. Motion passed 4-0.

2. Under the existing Goodhope paving contract, the engineer advised that the paving of CR-136 & CR686 should be completed today, that CR 63 & 65 should be completed by July 10, and that only CR 148 & CR8 remain on this contract. He noted that bids for paving CR69, CR31, and a different portion of CR8 were let in June to Goodhope for 528,939.00 which includes a 20% county match. A pre-construction conference for CR51 & CR217 will be conducted soon. The need that employees devote significant time to paving has detracted from routine road maintenance such as mowing. It may be necessary that some maintenance matters be achieved through Friday overtime.

3. Act 2000-220 addressed cutting across Cherokee County roads and the Commissions authority to impose permits accordingly. A copy of the Act is attached. The Commissioners will consider the amounts to be assessed as fees and penalties and will take up the matter next meeting. A preliminary draft of Permit Procedures is attached and will be considered prior to the next meeting.

4- Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to name a portion of CR20 John L. Foster Drive passed 4-0. It was explained to Dale Foster that E911 addressing requires that roads be assigned numbers and that signs noting the current number as well as the name will be erected.

5- The following Excess Land Sale Redemption's were approved:

Name	Amount	Motion
Second J.T. Cochran 362-46	Black Welsh J.T. Cochran 129.26	Black Welsh
Scott Farrer 223-85	Welsh Black Glenn Harrison 7.82	Welsh Glenn
Harrison 34-03	Welsh Black David McDaniel 67.25	Welsh David
McDaniel 12-78	Welsh Black All motions passed 4-0.	

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PMENT	AMENT
July 23, 2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Jerry Baker opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to accept the bid Of 3,675.00/week or 11,000.00/month, whichever is more cost efficient for the county, from Thompson Tractor passed 4-0. Thompson Tractor was the only bidder.
2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to adopt right-of-way procedures as per attached passed 4-0. The media is to publicize the procedure.
3. Excess Land Redemption Certificates were approved as per attached. Motion Second  
Sale Amount Dale Welsh Earl Westbrook Lamar Chasteen 274-84 Dale Welsh  
Earl Westbrook Lamar Chasteen 422.75 Dale Welsh Kathryn Black Robert Duarte  
71.06 All motions passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the June 25 meeting passed 4-0.
5. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt the minutes of the July 9 meeting passed 4-0.
6. A phone system for the District Judge, Juvenile Probation Office, and Adult Probation Office was discussed. Current phones in these offices are currently out of order and outdated. Upon recommendation by the chairman, a motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to approve the purchase of a new phone system for the District Judge and Juvenile Probation Office passed 4-0. There has been no proposal provided the Commission nor has there been a price given.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
August 27, 2001	Phillip Jordan Kathryn Black Harold Woodall	Earl Westbrook Dale Welsh

The chairman called the meeting to order and Jerry Baker opened with prayer.

1. Connie Cantrell representing Sand Valley Community residents discussed sewer service that is being implemented in that area. She asked for a letter of support from the Commission or an ordinance that specifies certain parameters of installation. The chairman explained that the Commission has no authority nor responsibility in the matter and therefore took no action.
  2. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to place storm readiness signs at strategic locations throughout the county at a cost Of 35-00 each as requested by the EMA Director passed 3-0. Signs will be placed specifically at points where major thoroughfares enter the county.
  3. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize the chairman to sign for acceptance of grant monies totaling 100,000.00 to be used for storm shelters as defined by the EMA Director passed 3-0.
  4. Doris Pearson and Martha Burkhalter with the Library Board noted that the addition to the building is essentially complete and they are expecting to sign for acceptance from the contractor soon. Because the structure contains a genealogy area, a request to employ an additional part-time employee was presented. The Commission advised that the request should be reflected in the new budget.
  - 5- Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to place speed breakers at Cornwall Park at each end and in the middle of the park and to place speed limit signs Of 15 MPH within the park passed 3-0.
  
  6. Whit Lathem and David Freeman of the Adult Probation Office noted that minutes in 1985 reflect that the Commission at that time chose to provide floor space and base phone service for the office. That phone system included the District Judge and Juvenile Probation Office. Minutes in July of this year authorize a new phone system for the District Judge and the Juvenile Probation Office since the old system expired. The Commission took no action to revise the original decision.
  
  7. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Harold Woodall to approve a request by Northeast Alabama Water & Sewer to install a pump station on CR 275 right-of-way somewhere between Waterloo and Dog Town passed 3-0. The engineer will meet with NE Water to select a suitable location.
  
  8. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to approve a request by the Sheriff to place Michael Murphy, a certified law enforcement officer, on the County payroll as a part-time employee whose salary and fringe benefit costs will be reimbursed with INS funds passed 3-0. A copy of a document drafted previously regarding this and other matters in the Sheriff Department area is attached.
  - 9- Motions by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to approve the following Excess Land Redemption Certificates passed 3-0. John Brown 230.o6 No.i5656o Lee Anthony 5.99 No.i56579 James Rainey 177.23 No. i56563
  10. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Harold Woodall to adopt a resolution as per attached that the county claims no right-of-way ownership regarding CR 552 formerly designated CR 220 passed 3-0.
  - II. A budget work session will be conducted September 7 at 9 AM.
- There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.



DATE	PMENT	AMENT
September 10, 2001	AD	None

1. The Solid Waste Officer discussed testing and results of previous tests at the Leesburg Landfill. Efforts are underway to acquire approval from ADEM that tests are no longer necessary.
2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize Ben Connally to prepare bid documents for an elevator in the courthouse building passed 4-0.
3. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to approve the DYS contract which secures one bed at Coosa Valley Youth Detention Center. The chairman was authorized to sign the agreement. Motion passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt the minutes of the August 27 meeting passed 4-0.
5. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to adopt the minutes of the July 23 meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
September 24, 2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Wayne Cochran opened with prayer-

1. JC Stallings advised that a dumpster has been set afire at Rock Village and that graffiti is evident at both parks. He asked that law enforcement officials patrol the areas more and that the road to Rock Village be paved.

2. Annual Bids for highway department materials are as follows:

Aggregate	Blount Springs Sand & Gravel	Motion by Dale Welsh	Second by Kathryn Black
Concrete Products	Kerr Redi-mix		
Motion by Dale Welsh	Second by Harold Woodall	Concrete Pipe	Sherman
Motion by Earl Westbrook	second by Kathryn Black	Grader Blades	Cowan Equipment
Motion by Earl Westbrook	second by Harold Woodall	Guardrail	Alabama Guardrail
Motion by Dale Welsh	second by Kathryn Black	Herbicide	Timberland
Motion by Earl Westbrook	second by Kathryn Black	Liquid Asphalt	Vulcan Materials
Motion by Harold Woodall	seconded by Kathryn Black	Tar & Gravel paving	Watts
Motion by Earl Westbrook	second by Harold Woodall	Metal Pipe	Harvey Culvert
Motion by Kathryn Black	second by Kale Welsh	Petroleum products	Cedar Bluff Oil
Motion by Harold Woodall	second by Earl Westbrook	Plant Mix-Asphalt	Goodhope
Motion by Earl Westbrook	second by Kathryn Black	Plant Mix-cold	Ft. Payne Quarry
Motion by Dale Welsh	second by Kathryn Black	Stone Hauling	McElroy Construction
Motion by Kathryn Black	second by Harold Woodall	Striping	Ozark
Motion by Dale Welsh	second by Harold Woodall		

All motions passed 4-0.

3- A meeting concerning the Watershed Management Plan will be held at the Chamber of Commerce on October 2, 2001 at 5 PM.

4. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Harold Woodall to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.

5- Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt a resolution as per attached regarding Forest Service payments from the federal government passed 4-0.

6. Excess Land Redemption Certificates were approved as per attached.

Motion	Second	Name	Amount	Earl Westbrook	Dale Welsh	Glen
Harrison	10.28					
Dale Welsh	Kathryn Black	David McDaniel	109.29	Kathryn Black	Harold Woodall	
David McDaniel	103-17					

All motions passed 4-0.

7- The meeting recessed until further notice.

8. The meeting was reconvened at 8:15 AM on September 27, 2001.

9. The chairman advised the Commission of his understandings regarding Etowah Solid Waste. They may discontinue pickup service for Cherokee County under the current contract in which case the county needs a backup plan. No official notice has been given but certain conclusions may be drawn from current activities such as trucks on loan to Etowah may be recalled by Waste Management, the owners effective October 1. Alternatives discussed were: 1- the county rent or lease trucks and personnel on a temporary basis; 2- ask current personnel who run the operation to continue to do so under some arrangement; 3- determine if there is a need to appoint an authority to manage the environment; 4- discuss billing arrangements. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to authorize the chairman to secure pickup beginning next week if necessary on a temporary basis if at all practical or possible passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.



DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT
October 8, 2001	All	None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Leon Smith opened with prayer.

1. The EMA Director, Brian Peters of the National Weather Service and Jim McCarry with the Alabama EMA alluded to local efforts that has been made in helping Cherokee County be named as a storm ready county. It is the 5th county in the state to be so named. Criteria for being renamed after 2003 are reflected on the attached form.

2. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the FY'2001/2002 budget in the amount Of 12,684,840.00 as per attached passed 4-0.

3- Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt a resolution as per attached regarding Health Department rulings on the sale of baked goods by churches, VFD'S, Civic & School organizations. The resolution will be presented to Representative Lindsey and Senator Dial as a request to introduce a local bin in the legislature to exempt these organizations from such rulings and to allow the sale of said goods in the county. Motion passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

October 22, 2001 All

None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Leon Smith opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to purchase ads for the “shop at home campaign through WEIS radio for the months of November and December passed 4-0. The ads will be aired 5 times daily for 7 days per week at a cost of 495.00.
2. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to appoint Billy Joe Baker, Nell Kilgore, and Larry Paul Maddox to the Cherokee County Building Authority passed 4-0.
3. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to replace Elizabeth Gilbreath with Michele Bone to administer TB test to inmates at a cost of 15.00 per visit passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the October 8 regular meeting passed 4-0. The FY 2001-2002 budget is included.
5. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt the minutes of the September 24 regular meeting passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

November 13, 2001

All

None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Charles Moody opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt a resolution as per attached in support of the Substance Abuse Council as presented by Betty Jo Lathem passed 4-0.
2. Mr. David Brock, Alabama Power Foundation, presented a check for 2,500.00 for use for a flag-pole to be placed at Cornwall Furnace.
3. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt additions as attached to the Public Road ROW Permit Procedures passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the annual Aging Contract from East Alabama Planning Commission passed 4-0.
5. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to approve Excess Land Redemption to Bob Dougherty for 77.92 as per attached passed 4-0.
6. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.
7. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to appoint Terry Wooten, Ronnie Shaw, and John Gibbs to the Grievance Board passed 4-0.
8. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to appoint Jerry Young, Gary McCurdy, and Ricky Wheeling to the Cherokee County Decentralized Waste Water System Authority (Sewer Board) passed 4-0. Terms will be for 6 years with the members selecting 2, 4, and 6 year initial duration appointments.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA MINUTES

A special Emergency Meeting of the Cherokee County Commission was held on Sunday, November 25, 200

1. The purpose of the meeting was to approve a proclamation of the existence of a local emergency for Cherokee County.

DATE	PRESENT	ABSENT	November 25, 2001	All
None				

Chairman Phillip W. Jordan called the meeting to order. Sand Rock Town Council member Bill Glenn opened with prayer.

Judge Jordan expressed the Commissions concern for those who suffered property loss in the November 24, 2001 storm. He also expressed the commission's sympathy for the family of those who lost lives on November 24, 200 1.

Leon Smith, County Emergency Management Agency gave an overview of the damage assessment of the November 24, 2001 storm He explained the immediate need for the resolution to be passed.

Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to approve the attached Proclamation of Existence of a local Emergency in Cherokee County. Vote 4-0.

Judge Jordan expressed the Commissions appreciation for the local volunteers and out of the county volunteers who have assisted in the storm relief efforts.

There being no further business, Kathryn Black made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dale Welsh. Motion carried.

November 26, 2001

All

None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Harold Woodall opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to appoint Betty Fann to fill the unexpired term of Bob McCleskey on the Alabama Mountain Lakes Board passed 4-0. Bobbie Chapman had previously been appointed but subsequently declined the appointment.
2. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to renew the agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning & Development Commission for the Rural Transportation Program passed 4-0.
3. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to renew the contract with the local Red Cross Chapter as per attached passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Harold Woodall to award the contract for the construction and installation of an elevator for the courthouse building to A.E. Sanders Construction for 169,000.00 with 190 days to complete passed 4-0. Computer cables will not be moved by the contractor and is the responsibility of the county. The time to commence the 190 day time-table is contingent upon notification by the county through the architect to the contractor that all computer cabling has been moved.
5. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Earl Westbrook to approve the minutes of the previous meeting passed 4-0.
6. Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to appoint Harley McGatha to the Airport Authority Board to fill the unexpired term of Al Head passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.



December 10, 2001

All

None

The chairman called the meeting to order and Harold Woodall opened with prayer.

1. The engineer presented resolutions as follows and as attached regarding road projects for FY's 2002 and 2003.

Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to request ALDOT to change the classification for CR 29 from CR 33 to CR 27 from a local road to a minor collector.

The following 4 projects are to be paid with normal FY 2002 federal allocations:

Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to pave CR 71 from Terrapin Creek north to SR 9;

Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Harold Woodall to pave CR 31 north from SR 9 to an unnamed branch;

Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to pave with federal allocated funds CR 13 from CR 22 to CR 22;

Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to pave CR 107 from SR 68 to SR 35.

The following 2 projects are to be paid with extra FY 2002 federal funds:

Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Kathryn Black to pave CR 6 from the county line east to CR 19;

Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Earl Westbrook to pave CR 31/22 from CR 16 east to CR 13.

The following project is to be paid with regular 2003 federal allocations:

Motion by Earl Westbrook seconded by Dale Welsh to pave CR 14 from CR 19 east to SR 9.

All motions passed unanimously 4-0.

2. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Harold Woodall to adopt the FY 2002 Holiday Schedule as per attached passed 4-0.
3. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Dale Welsh to grant an extra holiday off for FY 2001 on December 31, New Year's Eve, passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to secure a Bond Issue through Regions Bank for 3,500,000.00 with a maturity of 10 years passed 4-0. Approximately 551,000.00 will be used to purchase equipment at the Highway Department with the remainder allocated for various road projects.
5. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Earl Westbrook to omit the second December meeting due to the Christmas Holidays passed 4-0.
6. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to adopt the minutes of the November 25 special meeting at Sand Rock regarding tornado damage passed 4-0.
7. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to adopt the minutes of the November 26 regular meeting passed 4-0.
8. Motion by Harold Woodall seconded by Kathryn Black to re-appoint Donnie George, Eilun Perry, and Grace Savage to the Human Resources Board for a six-year term ending in 2007 passed 4-0.

9. Motion by Dale Welsh seconded by Kathryn Black to approve Excess Land Sale Redemption for 153.38 to Wayne Thomason passed 4-0. Copy attached.
10. Motion by Kathryn Black seconded by Dale Welsh to approve Excess Land Sale Redemption for 91.28 to David McDaniel passed 4-0. Copy attached.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

