

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

The Cherokee County Commission met in regular session on the date specified below. Bills were reviewed and approved as per attached at month-end.

DATE:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
January 14, 2008	Lori J. Owens, District I Kimball Parker, District II Elbert St. Clair, District III Carlton Teague, District IV Melvyn Salter, Chairman	

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Owens – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present

5. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda as published for the January 14, 2008 meeting with the addition of item #8 concerning the increase of standard mileage rate reimbursement, item #9 concerning the placement of a weather siren, and item #10 concerning constructing an equipment storage building at the highway department. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Chairman gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the December 10, 2007 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator – None Submitted

County Engineer

County Engineer explained to the Commission that an equipment storage building at the highway department needed to be constructed. Mr. Chambers also noted that materials and trusses from older buildings recently torn down would be used in the construction.

County Attorney – None Submitted

10. Old Business:

None

11. New Business:

- A. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to declare 2 sheriff vehicles including a 2000 model Silver Crown Vic and a 2000 model White Crown Vic titled to the Cherokee County Sheriff's Department and purchased from the Law Enforcement fund and INS fund, as surplus property to be sold at auction. Passed 4-0.
- B. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adopt the attached 2008 Holiday Schedule. Passed 4-0.

- C. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the attached 2008 Waste Disposal Exemption List. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to appoint Jennifer Sharpe to the Park and Recreation Board to replace Ms. Barbara Cavin for the remaining term ending May 1, 2009. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Lori Owens to approve the purchase of life insurance for county employees and elected officials with Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Company. The death benefit will be \$20,000 for both employees and officials. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve property, casualty, and liability insurance with First American Rankin Insurance Services (Broker) and Trident/Argonaut (Underwriters) for the premium amount of \$133,737 for the policy period January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008. Passed 4-0.
- G. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Lori Owens to approve excess land redemptions to Gary Lee Pace, Jr. in the amount of \$59.68, Robbie Davis in the amount of \$39.82, Mrs. Olene McDaniel, in the amount of \$988.91, Larry Teague in the amount of \$490.09, Imogene Painter in the amount of \$233.43, and Robbie Davis in the amount of \$329.15. Passed 4-0.
- H. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the new standard mileage reimbursement rate payable to persons traveling in privately owned vehicles on official business for the county to 50.5 cents per mile as adopted by the State of Alabama. Passed 4-0.
- I. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Lori Owens to give permission to allow EMA Director Beverly Daniel to negotiate with citizens in placing a weather siren in the Alexis Community close to Ebenezer Church which would also service the Farill and Lawrence Communities. Passed 4-0.
- J. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to allow the highway department to construct an equipment storage building at the highway department yard. Materials and trusses from old buildings recently torn down will be used in the construction. Passed 4-0.

12. Public Hearings: None Submitted:

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Lori Owens wanted the Commission and the public to be aware that Senator Richard Shelby would be speaking at the Leesburg Fire Hall at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday January 17, 2008.

Commissioner Carlton Teague explained that the Commission may need to look into a new polling place in District 4.

The Chairman announced that the Commission had been working on animal control. He also expressed that the Commission needed to submit their proposals on this issue to the county administrator for compilation on by the January 28, 2007 meeting. The Chairman also stated that he hoped the Commission would have a revised animal control ordinance to present to the public at the February 11, 2007 meeting.

14. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to adjourn meeting. Passed 4-0.

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

Lori J. Owens, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV