

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
May 11, 2015

PRESENT:
Randy Jones, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Marcie Foster, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Kirk Day, Chairman

ABSENT:

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 Jones – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner Foster – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Absent
5. Joel Helms led the Pledge of Allegiance and Tim Burgess gave the invocation.
6. Awards and Presentations: None.
7. Motion by Commissioner Parker, second by Commissioner Jones to approve the agenda for the May 11, 2015 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
8. Motion by Commissioner Teague, second by Commissioner Foster to approve the Consent Agenda approving prior meeting minutes and payables. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess –
County Engineer Corey Chambers – Summary of NRCS meeting: County watershed dams have reached their expected life and NRCS will conduct one last inspection before turning the watershed dams over to the county.

County Attorney Bill Hawkins – None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings: None
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 1. Motion by Commissioner Foster to appoint Renee Meade Gossett to the Cherokee County Health Care Authority to fill the unexpired term ending December 31, 2016. Motion failed due to the lack of a second.

Motion by Commissioner Teague, second by Commissioner Parker to appoint James R. Maples to the Cherokee County Health Care Authority to fill the unexpired term ending December 31, 2016. Passed 3-1.
 2. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Teague to approve the job posting for one HMT-I position at the Cherokee County Highway Department due to the retirement of an employee. Passed 4-0.

3. Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Parker to approve excess land redemptions to Joel D. Helms, Jr. in the amount of \$14.87 Passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Commissioner Parker, second by Commissioner Teague to appoint Daniel Steele to the Cherokee County 911 Dispatch Contract committee. Passed 4-0.
5. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Teague to adopt the attached resolution proclaiming the month of May as “Cherokee County Correctional Officers Month”. Passed 4-0.
6. Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Parker to authorize the Cherokee County Highway Department to charge operating costs only for work to be done for the Town of Leesburg at Leesburg Landing. Passed 4-0.
7. Motion by Commissioner Teague, second by Commissioner Parker to authorize the Chairman to draft a resolution of support for Leesburg’s application to the State for an industrial access project. Passed 4-0.
8. Residual Tobacco Tax Funding requests:
 - A. Motion by Commissioner Teague, second by Commissioner Foster to approve the transfer of \$6,000 to the Sheriff’s Department for overtime costs. The amount will be divided evenly between District 3 and District 4. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Teague to approve the transfer of \$1,000 the Board of Education to be used for travel expenses for students and personnel going to the National Skills USA contest. The amount will be divided evenly between District 1 and District 4. Passed 4-0.
 - C. Motion by Commissioner Parker, second by Commissioner Teague to approve the amendment to the agenda regarding the receiver in item 8C.

Motion by Commissioner Teague, second by Commissioner Parker to approve the transfer of \$1,500 from residual tobacco tax funds to the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce and Tourism for use in promoting Bass Pro Shop’s Big Cat Fishing Tournament which will be held in the county in the amount of \$1,500. The amount will be divided evenly among District 1, District 2 and District 4. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None

14. Executive Session:

1. Preamble.
2. The Chairman stated the reason for the Executive Session: Discussion with County Attorney – legal ramifications and legal options (Section 7a, 3 of Act 2005-40); in this case, how it relates to possible litigation.
3. County Attorney Bill Hawkins stated that this is a valid reason under Alabama Law (Section 7a of Act 2005-40) to go into Executive Session.
4. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Teague to go into Executive Session.
5. The Chairman called for a Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Jones -Yes
 Commissioner Parker - Yes
 Commissioner Foster - Yes
 Commissioner Teague – Yes

The Commission entered into an executive session.

6. Motion by Commissioner Parker, Second by Commissioner Teague to reconvene. Passed 4-0.

15. There was no action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

16. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Teague to adjourn the meeting. Passed 4-0.

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

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