

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION
CENTRE, ALABAMA
MINUTES

DATE:
March 25, 2019

PRESENT:
Randy Jones, District I
Roger Nichols, District II
Marcie Foster, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Tim Burgess, Chairman

ABSENT:

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment from Citizens:
 1. Mark Collins, President of the Weiss Lake Improvement Association, brought a public safety issue to the Commission's attention. He addressed an increasing number of complaints about boats and personal water crafts operating at or above planning speeds in very close, dangerous proximity to other boats anchored or adrift as well as people on their docks and swimmers in the water. He requested that the Commission adopt the 100 Foot Law/Proximity Law Resolution.
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Jones – Present
District II, Commissioner Nichols – Present
District III, Commissioner Foster – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Josh Summerford gave the invocation.
6. Awards and Presentations: None
7. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Teague, to approve the agenda for the March 25, 2019 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
8. Motion by Commissioner Nichols, second by Commissioner Jones, to approve the Consent Agenda approving prior meeting minutes and payables. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff: None
10. Public Hearings: None
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 1. Chairman's Announcement: The appointment of two (2) positions on the Centre-Piedmont-Cherokee County Regional Airport Authority will take place at the Monday, April 22, 2019 meeting. These are three-year terms that will end in January 2022. Submittal of resumes, letters, etc. will be accepted through Wednesday, April 17, 2019 until the close of business in the Commission Office.
 2. Chairman's Announcement: The appointment of one (1) position on the CED Mental Health Board will take place at the Monday, April 22, 2019 meeting. This is a six-year term that will end in April 2025. Submittal of resumes, letters, etc. will be accepted through Wednesday, April 17, 2019 until the close of business in the Commission Office.
 3. Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Teague, to approve to create one (1) additional Highway Maintenance Technician I (HMT-1) position at the Highway Department, as requested by the County Engineer. This position will be removed from the County's roster upon the next retirement of a Highway Department employee. Passed 4-0.
 4. Motion by Commissioner Nichols, second by Commissioner Foster, to approve to hire Elmore Davis and Tom Maddox as Highway Maintenance Technicians I (Grade 3, Step 1). Passed 4-0.

5. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Teague, to adopt an amendment to the Gas Tax Fund budget, transferring \$18,750 from Fuels and Lubricants (212) to:

Employee Salary (113)	\$ 11,642.00
Retirement Match (116)	\$ 1,256.00
Health and Dental (122)	\$ 4,240.00
Life Insurance (123)	\$ 31.00
FICA Match (124)	\$ 721.00
Workers Comp (125)	\$ 691.00
Medicare Match (131)	\$ 169.00

Passed 4-0.

6. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Jones, to adopt a resolution recognizing April 20th-27th, 2019 as "County Cleanup Week". Passed 4-0.
7. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Nichols, to declare the attached lists of equipment from the County Commission and Revenue Office as surplus to be disposed of or sold at public auction. Passed 4-0.
8. Commissioner Teague read a Resolution aloud and then made a motion to adopt the Resolution in support of the 100 Foot Law, also known as a Proximity Law, to be given to the local State legislative delegation to introduce for passage. Second by Commissioner Foster. Passed 4-0.
9. Commissioner Teague made a motion, second by Commissioner Nichols, to approve an agreement between the Cherokee County Commission and Mckee & Associates Architecture & Interior Design for architectural work on a new courthouse and renovations to the existing Cherokee County Courthouse and authorize the Chair to execute an amiable agreement upon contact with the County attorney. Passed 4-0.

13. Executive Session:

1. Preamble.
2. The Chairman stated the reason for the Executive Session:
 - a. Discussion of the general reputation and character/job performance of an individual (Section 7a, 1 of Act 2005-40).
3. The Chair presented a written statement from the County Attorney Bill Hawkins stating 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 Nichols-Yes
Commissioner Foster-Yes
Commissioner Teague-Yes

The Commission entered into an Executive Session.

6. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Jones, to reconvene. Passed 4-0.
7. Action on Executive Session: None

14. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None

15. Motion by Commissioner Foster, second by Commissioner Nichols, 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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