

# CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

## CENTRE, ALABAMA

### MINUTES

DATE: September 30, 2014  
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. The Chairman stated that the reason for the Special Called Meeting was to discuss and adopt the annual budget for the fiscal year October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 and related issues.
3. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:  
  
District I, Commissioner Jones – Present  
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present  
District III, Commissioner Foster – Present  
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
4. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Tim Burgess gave the invocation.
5. Motion by Marcie Foster, second by Carlton Teague to approve the agenda for the September 30, 2014 Special Called meeting. Passed 4-0.
6. The Commission discussed a binding resolution which would govern the distribution of landfill royalties and tobacco tax.

The Chairman requested that the rules of meeting be suspended to allow for a more fluid discussion. Motion by Marcie Foster, second by Kimball Parker to suspend the rules of the meeting. Passed 4-0.

The Chairman explained that the jail deficit has placed the Commission in a position in which it cannot afford new highway projects or capital improvement projects. Additionally, the debt has put our financial ratings in jeopardy, making future projects more unlikely.

The resolution was read aloud to those present.

There was much discussion regarding the distribution of funds from the landfill royalties and tobacco tax from prior years. Furthermore, the Commissioners debated which organizations would receive funding and the amounts they would be allocated.

The Commission took a brief recess to research the ways in which certain organizations were allowed to receive funding.

After the recess, there was further discussion regarding who would and would not receive future funding as a result of the resolution. There were multiple changes made to the resolution.

The Commission took a second recess to allow the Chairman to print a revised version of the resolution.

The Chairman asked for further comments on the matter. There were none.

The Chairman requested a motion to reinstate the rules of the meeting. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Randy Jones to reinstate the rules of the meeting. Passed 4-0.

Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Randy Jones to approve the revised resolution governing the distribution of landfill royalties and tobacco tax as presented. Passed 3-1.

7. Discussion items by Commissioners:

1. The Commission discussed the requests for a part time deputy, two part time corrections officers and overtime at the Sheriff's Department.
2. The Commission discussed line-item appropriations.

8. Motion by Marcie Foster, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the annual budget for the fiscal year October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 with the following addendum items:

1. The changes outlined in the binding resolution (Item 6, above)
2. The addition of two (2) part-time corrections officers at the Detention Center
3. The addition of one (1) part-time deputy at the Sheriff's Department
4. Line item appropriations to be made as follows:
  - a. So-Cool Program - \$2,000
  - b. Farm Field Days - \$2,000
  - c. Agriculture Fair - \$2,000
  - d. Weiss Lake Improvement - \$5,000

Passed 4-0.

9. Motion by Marcie Foster, second by Kimball Parker to adjourn 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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Randy Jones, District I

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Kirk Day, Chairman

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Kimball Parker, District II

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Marcie Foster, District III

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Carlton Teague, District IV