

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
January 12, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV

ABSENT:

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

1. Due to the absence of Chairman Salter, Vice-Chairman Commissioner Teague called the meeting to order and presided over the meeting.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None Submitted
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None Submitted
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda for the January 12, 2009 regular meeting with the addition of item #12 approving forecast advertisement in the Cherokee Herald and item #13 approving 2009 Solid Waste Exemption List. Passed 3-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Tim Burgess gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the December 8, 2008 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins – None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business: None Submitted
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adopt the attached Resolution encouraging recycling and recovery of invested energy in recyclable materials. Passed 3-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to declare the 2001 Black Chevrolet Tahoe as surplus property to be sold at auction. Passed 3-0.
 - C. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to re-appoint Margaret Hillhouse, Johnny Usry and Doris Pearson to the Cherokee County Library Board to complete the term expiring February 2012. These three individuals were agreeing to continue to serve and were requested by the Library Board. Passed 3-0.
 - D. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to appoint Lanny Starr to the Cherokee County Healthcare Authority Board member to complete the term expiring January 2013 due to the resignation of Mr. Hobart Barnes. Commissioner Parker stated that Mr. Starr had been a member of this community all of his life and could serve this board well. Passed 3-0.

- E. Motion by Kimball Parker to reappoint Jerry Lockridge and Garry Hopper and appoint Larry Hurley to the Cherokee County Healthcare Authority Board member to complete the term expiring January 2015. Commissioner Parker stated that Mr. Lockridge and Mr. Hopper were willing to serve again. Also, Mr. Hurley had requested to serve and this would give a representative from District 4. Commissioner Teague voiced his appreciation for all board members and recognized the need for all districts to be represented on all county boards. Passed 3-0.
- F. The Vice-Chairman announced that the Park & Recreation Board appointments will be made at the January 26, 2009 regular meeting.
- G. The Vice-Chairman announced that the E-911 Board Appointments/Re-Appointments will be made at the February 9, 2009 regular meeting.
- H. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve to change the maximum mileage reimbursement rate payable to persons traveling in privately owned vehicles on official business for the county from 58.5 cents per mile to 55 cents per mile. Passed 3-0.
- I. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to approve to hire Mrs. Elaine Henry for the position of assistant librarian at the Cherokee County Public Library at a rate of \$8.95 per hour. Passed 3-0.
- J. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve to hire Ms. Janet Tucker for the position of nutrition program manager at a rate of \$9.40 per hour. Passed 3-0.
- K. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Steve Street in the amount of \$102.87, Gerald Willis in the amount of \$228.14, Reba Ray in the amount of \$52.36, and William Black in the amount of \$176.52. Passed 3-0.
- L. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve forecast advertisement in the Cherokee Herald in the amount of \$275.94. Passed 3-0.
- M. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the attached 2009 Solid Waste Exemption List for customers who use Cherokee County's garbage collection service. Passed 3-0.

12. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Parker recognized Dr. Martha Lavender, Ms. Johnna Lindsey, and Ms. Luanne Hayes from Gadsden State Community College – Cherokee that were in attendance at the meeting.

Commissioner Teague addressed the Commission about recent residential waste collection problems in the county. Teague stated that "Commissioner Kimball Parker has had some problems and I have had quite a few problems in District Four. We just want to let people know that we have been in contact several times with Waste Management over the last couple of weeks trying to get the problem corrected. They've assured us that it will be. We have a contract with them, but the citizens in this county are the ones that pay for this service and they need the service to be performed. We just want to let people know that there is a problem, that we understand the problem, know what the problem is. If your garbage is supposed to be picked up on Monday, it needs to be picked up on Monday and that is what we have relayed to them. We know there is a problem and we are trying to resolve the problem."

14. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adjourn meeting. Passed 3-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
January 26, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None Submitted
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None Submitted
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – 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 for the January 26, 2009 regular meeting with the addition of item #4 giving Judge Kevin Grimes, Administrator Tim Burgess and Attorney Bill Hawkins to prepare a proposal for Courthouse Security Building and item #5 set date for flag and flag pole dedication to be March 9, 2009 at the conclusion of the regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Judge Kevin Grimes gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the minutes as published for the January 12, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers
Mr. Chambers updated the Commission on the County Road 22 bridge project. He explained that the contractor had removed exactly half of the old bridge. He stated that the contractor was preparing to move the equipment on the Pruett's side to remove the other half of the bridge. Utilities have been moved and the drilling is completed.
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
County EMA Director Beverly Daniel
Ms. Daniel informed the Commission that the County had received a \$4,000 grant from the ACCA for completing the Pandemic Influenza COOP/Op Plans and Fatality Management Plan template.
10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business: None Submitted
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to re-appoint J.C. Stallings to the Park and Recreation Board for a term ending January 2013. Passed 4-0.
Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to appoint Gary Banister to the Park and Recreation Board for a term ending January 2013. Passed 4-0.

- B. The Chairman announced that the E-911 Board appointments/reappointments will be made on the February 9, 2009 meeting. Those board seats are held by Harry Moon and Jeff Adcock.
- C. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Reba Ray in the amount of \$276.52 and Imogene Painter in the amount of \$96.26. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to allow Judge Kevin Grimes, Administrator Tim Burgess and Attorney Bill Hawkins to prepare and present a proposed contract for courthouse security building. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to set Flag and Flag Pole Dedication Ceremony to March 9, 2009 at the conclusion of the meeting. Passed 4-0.

12. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

The Chairman stated the he wanted the public to know that the Commission is aware and concerned about the present economic conditions. He also pointed out that the Commission is working in the community.

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.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
February 9, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

Carlton Teague, District IV

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens:

The Chairman recognized Dr. Martha Lavender, Luanne Hayes and Johnna Lindsey from GSCC – Cherokee who were in attendance at the meeting. Dr. Lavender stated that enrollment at the college had increased. She also mentioned that over 18,500 individuals had been at events at the arena over the last two months and thanked the local citizens for their support.
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None Submitted
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Absent
5. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the February 9, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 3-0.

6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Wayne Lindsey gave the Invocation.

7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted

8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the January 12, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.

9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted

10. Public Meetings: None Submitted

11. Old Business: None Submitted

12. New Business:

- A. The Chairman recognized Attorney Bill Hawkins concerning a contract to construct a courthouse security structure. Attorney Hawkins explained that the commission requested a provision to the contract be made with the understanding that the contractor would use his best efforts not to damage the courthouse structure as it exists and that it would not be permanent in fashion so that it could be removed at a later date if necessary. Also, there is not a specific start date on the contract due to site preparation work that must be done and the contract needed to be fashioned to allow the Chairman to sign the contract when the preliminary work is complete. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the terms of the courthouse security building contract to Mr. Frankie Woods as it is being offered by the county and authorize the Chairman to sign the contract when all parties agree on the terms at a future date. Passed 3-0.

- B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution to Re-surface and Traffic Stripe on County Road 71 from an unnamed branch north to Terrapin Creek as presented Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 3-0.
- C. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to declare the following equipment be declared surplus property and sold at the J.M. Wood Auction on March 11-14, 2009: CC #14 1986 Caterpillar 950 B Wheeled Loader, and CC #54 1994 Caterpillar D-7HXL Dozer as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 3-0.
- D. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to re-appoint Harry Moon and Jeff Adcock to the Cherokee County Communications District E-911 Board for a term ending January 2013. Passed 3-0.
- E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve an Excess Land Redemption to Reba Ray in the amount of \$294.26. Passed 3-0.
- F. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to accept the attached Petition to Vacate Proposed Unnamed County Road and adopt Resolution to Set Date For Hearing to be held at the regular meeting on March 9, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. as read by County Administrator Tim Burgess. The road is an undeveloped road leading into the Byram Land Subdivision. Passed 3-0.
- G. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to approve the County to Levy Ad Valorem Taxes for the year 2009 calculated as 42 mils for county and state and 5 mils for municipal for a total of 47 mils as provided by Revenue Commissioner John A. Roberts. Passed 3-0.

12. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

The Chairman announced that the new County Flag and Flag Pole Dedication will be on March 9, 2009 at 10:30 AM.

- 14. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 3-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

**CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION
CENTRE, ALABAMA**

MINUTES

DATE: February 23, 2009	PRESENT: Wade Sprouse, District I Kimball Parker, District II Elbert St. Clair, District III Carlton Teague, District IV Melvyn Salter, Chairman	ABSENT:
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1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens:

Mr. Don Coley wanted to inform the Commission that 1000 treasured forestry tags are available to individuals who completed an application. The Farm Security Agency and the Forestry Commission is cooperating together to accomplish this program.
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None Submitted
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to approve the agenda for the February 23, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Kimball Parker gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the February 9, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business: None Submitted
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve to lower the requirement of a bond for county road 147 to Chesnut Bay Properties from \$100,000 to \$25,000 as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer Chambers explained that it had been a year since the original bond had been purchased and most of the work had been completed although there were some soil settling issues. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to award the attached highway department bids for hot mix paving, road reclaimer, and bituminous treatment as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 4-0.
 - C. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve excess land redemptions to Larry & Jo Ann Teague in the amount of \$165.47, Robbie Davis in the amount of \$458.28. Passed 4-0.

D. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to renew the current coverage for health insurance with Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance for county employees and officials for the renewal period March 2009 – February 2010. The single rate will increase from \$391 to \$455 per month. The family rate will increase from \$819 to \$954 per month. Passed 4-0.

E. The chairman announced that the Cherokee County Water Authority Appointment/Reappointment to be made at the March 23, 2009 meeting for the term ending March 2015.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

The Chairman announced that the new County Flag and Flag Pole Dedication will be on March 9, 2009 at 10:30 AM.

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

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
March 09, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II

Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

Elbert St. Clair, District III

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None Submitted
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None Submitted
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Absent
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the March 9, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item #5 health insurance subsidy for family coverage. Passed 3-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Shane Givens gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to approve the minutes as published for the February 23, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Chad Hopper– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted

The Chairman recognized Mr. Larry Guffey who is the Cherokee County Representative to the Coosa Valley Detention Center. Mr. Guffey gave a presentation of the aspects and processes of the detention center.

10. Public Meetings:

The Chairman called attention to the Commission on the matter of a Petition to Vacate Proposed Road (Byram Land Subdivision). Attorney Shane Givens spoke to the matter and explained that all landowners have agreed and signed a petition to vacate the road. Also Mr. Givens explained that proper notice had been served in the Cherokee County Herald.

11. Old Business: None Submitted

12. New Business:

- A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution to close Certain Unnamed County Road. Passed 3-0.

The Chairman called for a motion to recess the meeting until 11:15 am for the purpose of the scheduled County Flag Dedication. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to recess the meeting. Passed 3-0.

Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to reconvene the meeting. Passed 3-0.

- B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution to Honor Marzie Johnson as read by the Chairman. Passed 3-0.
- C. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to appoint Mr. Donnie Frec as the Commission District I representative to the Cherokee County Industrial Board. Passed 3-0.
- Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to appoint Mr. Ronnie Rogers as the Commission District II representative to the Cherokee County Industrial Board. Passed 3-0.
- Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to appoint Mr. Lowell Hamilton as the Commission District III representative to the Cherokee County Industrial Board. Passed 3-0.
- Commissioner Teague explained that he would present a recommendation as the Commission District IV representative at the next meeting.
- D. The Chairman announced that the Water Authority Appointment/Reappointment will be made at the March 23, 2009 meeting for the term ending March 2015.
- E. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to provide a \$156 subsidy for family coverage health insurance. Passed 3-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None Submitted

14. Executive Session

- 1. Preamble.
- 2. The Chairman stated the Reason for 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 a claim filed with the county.
- 3. County Attorney Chad Hopper stated that that this is a valid reason under Alabama Law (Section 7a of Act 2005-40) to go into Executive Session.
- 4. Motion by Commissioner Teague, second by Kimball Parker to go into Executive Session.
- 5. Roll Call Vote:
 - Commissioner Sprouse - Yes
 - Commissioner Parker - Yes
 - Commissioner St. Clair - Absent
 - Commissioner Teague - Yes
- 6. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to Reconvene for Commission Action on Executive Session. Passed 3-0.

The Chairman stated that a claim was filed on February 24, 2009. The claim was filed due to an automobile accident involving a county vehicle. The Commission offered \$7,000 to the claimant. The claimant accepted the offer through her attorney. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to pay the \$7,000 to settle the claim. Passed 3-0.

- 15. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 3-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I _____ Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II _____

Elbert St. Clair, District III _____ Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
March 23, 2009

PRESENT:

Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None Submitted
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None Submitted
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – 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 for the March 23, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item #8 approval of securing the services of DRC Consulting, Inc. to evaluate the mold and mildew to the stucco of the Administration Building. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Commissioner St. Clair gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the March 9, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Chad Hopper-- None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:
11. Old Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to appoint Carl Hackett as the Commission District IV representative to the Cherokee County Industrial Authority Board. Passed 4-0.
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached Resolution to Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections (Project ST-010-999-002, Cherokee Drive) as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached Resolution to Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections (Project STPA-A-1000(206), CR 15 / Keener Drive as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 4-0.
 - C. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution to request reclassification for County Road 44 & 147 as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 4-0.

- D. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached Resolution declaring the week of April 20th – 25th to be Cherokee County Cleanup Week as read by Commissioner Teague. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the Agreement with TDS to change to Virtual Telephone Network (VTN) Lines and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to re-appointment Vernon Ledbetter to the Cherokee County Water Authority Board for term ending March 2015. Passed 4-0.
- G. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the excess land redemption to Brian Bowman in the amount of \$149,90. Passed 4-0.
- H. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to secure the services of DRC Consulting, Inc. to evaluate mold and mildew on the stucco of the Administration Building and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None Submitted

- 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.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
April 13, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

Carlton Teague, District IV

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens:

Mr. Jim Lewis representing a group of citizens from Canyon View Association spoke to the commission about water and fire protection in their area. Mr. Lewis expressed that they have had meetings with Northeast Water and Fort Payne Water. Mr. Lewis said that he has spoke with other individuals and agencies and is asking the Commission to give them direction on what the next steps need to be taken next to apply for grants.

3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:

City of Centre Mayor Tony Wilkie informed the Commission that he had been working with Montgomery to form a farmers market. He stated that the name of the farmers market would be "Cherokee County Farmers Market". He has received a grant for tents and tables and also thanked Commissioner Parker for his contribution.

4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

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

5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to approve the agenda for the April 13, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 3-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Mayor Tony Wilkie gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the minutes as published for the March 23, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.

9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Chad Hopper– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted

10. Public Meetings:

11. Old Business: None

12. New Business:

- A. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached resolution to place guardrails on County Roads 3, 80 and 92 using 2009 HRRR Funds as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 3-0.
- B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to grant permission to let bid for high performance permanent cold mix material as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 3-0.

- C. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to approve excess land redemptions to Jerry Findley in the amount of \$288.48 and Jack & Barbara Mackey in the amount of \$85.03. Passed 3-0.
- D. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve fire alarm dialer in the amount of \$598.00 with a monitoring fee of \$29.99 per month. Passed 3-0.
- E. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adopt the attached Resolution Recognizing April as National Community College Month. Passed 3-0. Dr. Darryl Harrison from Gadsden State Community College spoke briefly about the college. He also recognized Martha Lavender, Luanne Hayes, and Johnna Lindsey who were also in attendance.
13. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None Submitted
14. Executive Session
1. Preamble.
 2. The Chairman stated the Reason for 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 Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to go into Executive Session.
 5. Roll Call Vote:
 - Commissioner Sprouse - Yes
 - Commissioner Parker - Yes
 - Commissioner St. Clair - Yes
 - Commissioner Teague - Absent
 6. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to reconvene the meeting. Passed 3-0. No action was taken as a result of executive session.

15. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to adjourn meeting. Passed 3-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE: PRESENT: ABSENT:
April 27, 2009

Wade Sprouse, 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:
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – 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 for the April 27, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Attorney Chad Hopper gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the minutes as published for the April 13, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers –

Mr. Chambers updated the Commission on the County Road 22 Bridge Project. The contractors are ready to pour the 4th pier. The contractors have stated that inclement weather has slowed down the project. Once the abutments are poured the project will move faster.

Mr. Chambers also updated the Commission on the Alabama Highway 35 Project. The plans for the project are very detailed.

County Attorney Chad Hopper– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached National Nurses Day Proclamation. Passed 4-0. The proclamation was read by Commissioner Parker. Dr. Martha Lavender and several nursing students from the college were in attendance. A student also spoke about the nursing program.
 - B. The Chairman announced that the Park & Recreation Board Appointments will be made at the May 26, 2009 regular meeting to complete the unexpired term of J.C. Stallings who has resigned and Fred Rhinehart whose term ends May 2009. Commissioner Parker commended Mr. Stallings for his service to the county and to the Park Board.

- C. The Chairman announced that the Airport Authority Board Appointment will be made at the May 26, 2009 regular meeting to complete the unexpired term of Harley McGatha.
- D. The Chairman announced the CED Mental Health Board Appointment/Reappointment will be made at the May 26, 2009 regular meeting. The Chairman also stated that Janice Haynes had been recommended to be reappointed.
- E. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Randy & Sharon Cox in the amount of \$749,92 and James A Lewis, Jr. in the amount of \$282.04. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached resolution as read by Commissioner Teague to participate in the 2009 Sales Tax Holiday August 7-9, 2009 and authorized the Chairman to sign the resolution. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Teague commended the Alabama Department of Transportation for their work on Highway 68 and four other projects.

14. Executive Session

- 1. Preamble.
- 2. The Chairman stated the Reason for 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 Chad Hopper stated that this is a valid reason under Alabama Law (Section 7a of Act 2005-40) to go into Executive Session.
- 4. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to go into Executive Session.
- 5. Roll Call Vote:
 - Commissioner Sprouse - Yes
 - Commissioner Parker - Yes
 - Commissioner St. Clair - Yes
 - Commissioner Teague - Yes
- 6. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to reconvene the meeting. Passed 4-0.

Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to contract with the Law Firm of Shapiro Fussell Wedge & Martin, LLP in Atlanta, Georgia which specializes in construction issues to explore the possible litigation in regards to the construction of the Administration Building due to fallacies in the building such as air conditioning, mold, mildew and etc. Passed 4-0.

- 15. Motion by Kimball Parker, 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.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

**CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION
CENTRE, ALABAMA**

MINUTES

DATE: May 11, 2009	PRESENT: Wade Sprouse, District I Kimball Parker, District II Elbert St. Clair, District III Carlton Teague, District IV Melvyn Salter, Chairman	ABSENT:
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1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens:
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the May 11, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Terry Dean gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations:

Commissioner Parker stated that the Commission had received the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce Beautification Award for Cherokee Rock Village. He also stated that the Cherokee County Band had presented a plaque to the Commission in appreciation for the support of their program.
8. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to approve the minutes as published for the April 27, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to Approve the Family Resource Center Grant Application as presented by Lou Honaker and Lori Owens and authorize the Chairman to sign application upon completion. Passed 4-0.
 - B. The Chairman announced that the Park & Recreation Board Appointments will be made at the May 26, 2009 regular meeting to complete the unexpired term of J.C. Stallings who has resigned and Fred Rhinehart whose term ends May 2009.
 - C. The Chairman announced that the Airport Authority Board Appointment will be made at the May 26, 2009 regular meeting to complete the unexpired term of Harley McGatha.
 - D. The Chairman announced the CED Mental Health Board Appointment/Reappointment will be made at the May 26, 2009 regular meeting.

- E. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Steve Street in the amount of \$214,79 and Reba Ray in the amount of \$72,76. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to amend the minutes to reflect that the commission will secure legal services of Shapiro Fussell Wedge & Martin, LLP in Atlanta, Georgia and authorize chairman to sign necessary documents. Passed 4-0.
- G. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to award the high performance hot mix bid to Hudson Material at a price of \$3.78 per gallon. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Teague commended the Cedar Bluff Track Team in winning their third consecutive state track championship. Commissioner Teague also congratulated Josh Day for winning the state pole vaulting championship.

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

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
May 26, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens:
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the May 26, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item #24 dealing with a petition to vacate county road 437. 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 Submitted
8. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to approve the minutes as published for the May 11, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project SACP-219-C, County Road 20 from U.S. 411, East to Weiss Lake. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project SACP-219-A, College Street from U.S. 411, West to Garrett Bridge. Passed 4-0.
 - C. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project SACP-219-B, County Road 531 from County Road 22, East to Weiss Lake. Passed 4-0.
 - D. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project SACP-401, County Road 51 and 117 from Alabama 9, South to Weiss Lake. Passed 4-0.

- E. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project S-1021-29, County Road 189 from Creek Bridge, South a distance of 1.00 miles. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project S-1021-27, County Road 136 from Alabama 273, East a distance of 1.20 miles. Passed 4-0.
- G. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project S-1021-M, County Road 275 from Alabama 273, North to the Dekalb County Line. Passed 4-0.
- H. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project OLB-001-000-002, County Road 103 from Alabama 35, North a distance of 2.10 miles. Passed 4-0.
- I. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project IA-010-000-001, Neal Hill Road from U.S. 411, South to East Alabama Truss Company. Passed 4-0.
- J. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for ST-1021-30, County Road 363 from County Road 48, South to dead end. Passed 4-0.
- K. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project IA-010-000-002 & ST-1192-13, Industrial Park Road from Alabama 9, East to Neal Hill Road. Passed 4-0.
- L. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project ST-010-888-009, County Road 65 from Alabama 9, North to dead end. Passed 4-0.
- M. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project ST-010-888-009, County Road 136 & 686 from County Road 48, East to dead end. Passed 4-0.
- N. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached Resolution To Remove Project From Annual Maintenance Inspections for Project STPNU-1000(6), County Road 48 from Alabama 273, East to dead end. Passed 4-0.
- O. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the Annual Groundwater Monitoring at the Leesburg Landfill to Mactec Engineering in the amount of \$6,624 and authorize Chairman to sign agreement as presented by Corey Chambers, County Engineer. Passed 4-0.
- P. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to appoint Virgil Adcock to the Park & Recreation Board to complete the unexpired term ending May 2013 of Mr. J.C. Stallings who has resigned. Passed 4-0.
- Q. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to appoint Linda Prater to the Park & Recreation Board to complete the term ending May 2013. Passed 4-0.
- R. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to appoint Luann Hayes to the Airport Authority to complete the unexpired term of Harley McGatha ending November 2010. Passed 4-0.
- S. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to reappoint Janice Haynes to the CED Mental Health Board to a term ending April 2015. Passed 4-0.
- T. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to appoint Dr. David Miller to the CED Mental Health Board to an unexpired term ending April 2011 of Ms. Christine Price. Passed 4-0.
- U. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Larry Snead in the amount of \$490.48, Reba Ray in the amount of \$142.70, Harold L. Garner in the amount of \$344.32. Passed 4-0.

- V. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to amend the Resolution on Animal Control adopted April 14, 2008 section 4 to indicate that the Animal Control Officer does **NOT** have to be a sworn officer of the law as requested by Sheriff Jeff Shaver. Passed 4-0.
- W. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve the Resolution to Dissolve The Etowah-Dekalb-Cherokee Mental Health Board, Inc., A Corporate Body of Act 578 as requested and approved by the CED Mental Health Board. Passed 4-0.
- X. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to accept a Petition to Vacate County Road 437 and set the public hearing for June 22, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Teague pointed out he thought the Code Red Weather Warning system was a good idea for the county and that the commission was considering using the system.

14. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 4-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
June 8, 2009

PRESENT:

Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, 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 Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present

5. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the June 8, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item #2 FAS Agreement and item #3 selling a portion of 22 right of way. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and John A. Roberts gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to approve the minutes as published for the May 26, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins – None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted

10. Public Meetings: None
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:

- A. The Chairman announced that appointments to the Decentralized Waste Board will be made at the July 6, 2009 meeting.
- B. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve FAS Agreement on County Road 15 to County Road 60 at an estimated cost of \$95,042 and authorize the Chairman and Administrator to sign documents. Passed 4-0.
- C. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to sell a portion of the right of way on County Road 422 and County Road 22 to subject to all appropriate legal documents and descriptions are complete to Josephine Stamps for an amount of \$7,500. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

The Chairman asked Corey Chambers, Engineer to give an update on the County Road 22 Bridge Project. Mr. Chambers explained that the construction company was making progress and the bridge was projected to be complete in August.

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.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
June 22, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I

Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

Kimball Parker, District II

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 Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Absent
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve the agenda for the June 22, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item #6 approve Insolvency, Errors and Taxes in Litigation for 2008 and Uncollected Insolvents and Taxes In Litigation For Previous Years and Item#7 approve past times advertisement to Cherokee Herald “Good Old Days” Edition. Passed 3-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Mr. Jerry Baker gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to approve the minutes as published for the May 26, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:

The public meeting on the matter of vacating County Road 437 was tabled.
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Resolution to support and encourage the operation of a private sewage system. Passed 3-0.
 - B. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the attached Petition To Designate Pratt Cemetery As A Public Park and Transfer Same To The Public Parks & Recreation Board of Cherokee County Alabama, Inc. Passed 3-0.
 - C. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the attached Petition To Designate Ethel Morrison Park As A Public Park and Transfer Same To The Public Parks & Recreation Board of Cherokee County Alabama, Inc. Passed 3-0.
 - D. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Michael H. Long in the amount of \$645.26 and Carl J. Gilmore, Sr. in the amount of \$185.31. Passed 3-0.

- E. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to table any action to Vacate County Road 437. Passed 3-0.
 - F. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the Insolvents, Errors and Taxes in Litigation for 2008 and Uncollected Insolvents and Taxes For Previous Years. Passed 3-0.
 - G. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to purchase advertisement in Cherokee Herald's "Good Old Days" Edition for \$345.44. Passed 3-0.
13. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None Submitted.
14. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 3-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
July 13, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV

ABSENT:

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

1. Vice-Chairman Carlton Teague 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 Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to approve the agenda for the July 13, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 3-0.
6. The Vice-Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Tim Burgess gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to approve the minutes as published for the June 22, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:
11. Old Business:
 - A. The Vice-Chairman announced that the Public Hearing on the Matter of Vacating County Road 437 will be held on July 27, 2009 at 5:00 P.M.
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Jerry Findley in the amount of \$588.70, James or Reba Ray in the amount of \$594.57, Brian Bowman in the amount of \$951.90, Thomas J. Miller in the amount of \$11.36, William Black in the amount of \$62.85, Reba Ray in the amount of \$184.33, and Tony Chandler in the amount of \$193.12. Passed 3-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to accept Petition to Vacate a portion of County Road 317 and adopt Resolution To Set Hearing for August 10, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. Passed 3-0.
 - C. The Vice-Chairman announced that the commission would consider appointments of three board members to serve on the Decentralized Waste Water System Authority at the July 27, 2009 regular meeting.
 - D. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to declare a 2000 Crown Vic as surplus property to be placed in the Mid States Auction on Saturday, July 18, 2009 Passed 3-0.

E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to follow county attorney's recommendation on a suit concerning the end of county road 83. Passed 3-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Teague congratulated Dustin Crane a graduate of Gaylesville School that signed with the Washington Nations.

Commissioner Teague also congratulated two local Dixie Youth All-Star teams. The 7 & 8 year old shirt & cap team won the district tournament and will be competing in the state tournament in Athens. The 9 & 10 year old minor league team won the district tournament and will be competing in the state tournament in Muscle Shoals.

14. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to adjourn meeting. Passed 3-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
July 27, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, 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 Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the July 27, 2009 regular meeting as published with additions of item #4 that Little Rock City and Cornwall Furnace be considered to be county parks and the property be deeded to the Park Board and a rider to the deed that the property be reverted back to the county if the park board is dissolved. Passed 3-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Mr. Larry Guffey gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the July 13, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:
The Chairman announced that the public hearing on the matter of vacating county road 437 would begin and asked if anyone wished to speak to the matter. Commissioner Teague this was a request from about 2 months ago. Commissioner Teague also pointed out that a few items needed to be worked out and that attorney Hawkins assist in the preparation. No one else spoke at the meeting.
11. Old Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt resolution to vacate county road 437 with the stipulation that all paperwork and deeds will be submitted. Passed 4-0.
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the Proclamation for TheatreCentre proclaiming the week of August 10th thru August 15th as TheatreCentre Week as read by Commissioner Teague. Passed 4-0. Mr. Gary Davis made some comments about the organization that were presented in the proclamation.
 - B. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to approve excess land redemption to Imogene Houston in the amount of \$114,37. Passed 4-0.

- C. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to appoint Mr. Shad Ellis to the Decentralized Waste Water System Authority. Passed 4-0.
- Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to appoint Mr. Terry Doherty to the Decentralized Waste Water System Authority. Passed 4-0.
- Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to appoint Ms. Carol Landrem to the Decentralized Waste Water System Authority. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague that Little Rock City be declared a park and the property be dedeed to the park board with a rider attached that all property will revert back to the county with the dissolution of the park board. Passed 4-0.
- Attorney Shane Givens representing the Park Board stated that when the Park Board was first established this is something that should have been done and was not. The parks however were always considered parks and this was an oversight. The Park Board is officially asking the Commission to recognize these areas as parks. The transfer is not a transfer out of county government but is a relocation to the proper governing body. The Commission still is the ultimate authority of body's that it creates.
- E. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse that Cornwall Furnace be declared a park and the property be dedeed to the park board with a rider attached that all property be dedeed back to the county with the dissolution of the park board. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

14. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 4-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION
CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
August 10, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, 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 Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda for the August 10, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Chairman also gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the July 27, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins – None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:
The Chairman announced that this was the time for the public hearing on the matter of vacating county road 317. The Chairman asked if anyone had issues with this matter. There was no response.
11. Old Business:
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached resolution to Vacate County Road 317. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt the attached Zero Meth Month Resolution as read by Commissioner Parker. Passed 4-0.
 - C. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the purchase of two land lots adjacent to library for \$18,000 and authorize chairman to sign related documents. Passed 4-0.
 - D. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to adopt Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Public Transportation without capital resolution with a local match of \$15,621 and authorize the Chairman to sign related documents. Passed 4-0.

- E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to approve Excess Land Redemptions to Randy & Sharon Cox in the amount of \$235,45, Jack F. Mackey in the amount of \$251.45, and Jack F. Mackey in the amount of \$703.67. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Carlton Teague to approve the Agreement for High Risk Rural Roads (HRRR) Project Between The State of Alabama and Cherokee County, Alabama for guardrails on County Roads 92,80, and 3 with a county match of \$6,996.00 and authorize Chairman to sign documents. Passed 4-0.
- G. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to allow a Zero Meth sign to be placed on the rural transportation bus by District Attorney Mike O'Dell. The Chairman explained that this was being done in Dekalb County and will be at no cost to the county. The Chairman also asked the Commission to give him the authority to contact the council on aging to see if this is permissible. If this is permissible then authorize the Chairman to have Mr. O'Dell to design the sign and have it professionally attached to the bus at no cost to the commission. Passed 4-0.
- H. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to allow the Sheriff to take a corrections officer position and make it a Corrections Officer/Deputy Sheriff Position at no salary increase. This is a request from the Sheriff. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

- 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.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

**CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION
CENTRE, ALABAMA**

MINUTES

DATE: August 24, 2009	PRESENT: Wade Sprouse, District I Kimball Parker, District II Elbert St. Clair, District III Carlton Teague, District IV Melvyn Salter, Chairman	ABSENT:
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1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:

Leesburg Mayor Edward Mackey spoke to the Commission about possible funding for the PEMCO Access Road Turning Lane.
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Sprouse – 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 for the August 24, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item #5 to have Patricia Sherman architect firm to present cost estimates based on current drawings of courthouse security facility and item #6 calling special meeting at 3:30 P.M. on September 3, 2009 to meet with Canaan Systems, Inc. to discuss decentralized system in the Pruett's area as well as the John's Crossroads area.
Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Sheriff Jeff Shaver gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the minutes as published for the August 10, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess - Explanation of Transit Service Agreement.
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
Cherokee County Parks and Recreation Board
- Mr. Gary Banister spoke to the Commission about the need for additional funding for the Park and Recreation Board. Mr. Banister on behalf of the Board submitted budget request for the upcoming year.
10. Public Meetings:
11. Old Business:
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to lower the speed limit on a portion of County Road 29 from 45mph to 35mph. Passed 4-0.

- B. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to accept the attached Petition to Vacate County Road 425 and adopt Resolution to Set For Public Hearing at a regular meeting on September 28, 2009 at 5:00 PM. Passed 4-0.
- C. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to approve excess land redemptions to Brian Bowman in the amount of \$132.04, Larry Don Teague in the amount of \$157.46, Reba Ray in the amount of \$350.19, Randy & Sharon Cox in the amount of \$132.02, and Randy & Sharon Cox in the amount of \$132.02. Passed 4-0.
- D. Approve Agreement For Transit Services for the Fiscal Year 2010 program year with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission with a local matching funds of \$15,621 and authorize Chairman to sign agreement. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to have Patricia Sherman architect firm to submit a cost estimate based on current drawings of the courthouse security facility. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to call a special meeting at 3:30 PM on September 3, 2009 to meet with Canaan Systems, Inc. to discuss decentralized system in the Pruettt and Johns Crossroad areas. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Chairman Salter reported on the ACCA conference. The Chairman stated that it was one of the largest ever attended and there was a lot of information concerning county government. Some of the points made at the conference are to help support current business and industry. Also, we must support agriculture and forestry and clean up and maintain our lakes and natural resources to encourage people to come to our area.

- 14. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 4-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

The Cherokee County Commission met in special session on the date specified below.

DATE:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
September 3, 2009	Wade Sprouse, 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. The Chairman verified that each Commissioner signed a written consent to call a special meeting. The Chairman stated that a special called meeting is called after proper notification had been given as prescribed by law.

2. The Chairman Stated Reason for the Special Called Meeting as follows:

To meet with Canaan Systems, Inc. to discuss decentralized system in Pruett and Johns Crossroads Areas.

3. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

- District I, Commissioner Sprouse - Present
- District II, Commissioner Parker - Present
- District III, Commissioner St. Clair - Present
- District IV, Commissioner Teague - Present

4. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to approve of agenda for September 3, 2009 Special Called Meeting. Passed 4-0.

5. The Commission met with Canaan Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair for approval of retaining the law firm of Maynard, Cooper, & Gale, P.C. for council concerning economic development opportunities and giving the chairman the authority to sign a letter of engagement and any other documents requested by the law firm of Maynard, Cooper, & Gale, P.C. and no funds be expended without the prior approval of the Commission. Passed 4-0.

6. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adjourn the 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

**CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION
CENTRE, ALABAMA**

MINUTES

DATE:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
September 14, 2009	Wade Sprouse, 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:
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the September 14, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Commissioner St. Clair gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the August 24, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins-- None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings: None
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to award 2009 HRRR contract to Alabama Rail Inc. The total project cost is \$63,080 with a county match of \$6,308 and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement as presented by County Engineer Corey Chambers. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the Alabama Department of Youth Services Long Term Detention Subsidy Contract with Coosa Valley Youth Services for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 and authorize Chairman to sign. Passed 4-0.
 - C. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve excess land redemptions to Jack F. Mackey in the amount of \$699,44 and Tony Chandler in the amount of \$319.74. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Chairman Salter reported to the Commission that he had attended the Etowah County Animal Shelter Open House. The Chairman also stated that the opening was well attended and they had a wonderful facility.

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

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE: September 28, 2009 PRESENT: Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman ABSENT:

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to approve the agenda for the September 28, 2009 regular meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Sheriff Shaver gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations:

Mr. John Beasley from Waste Management Company announced that the residential garbage collection rate would decrease by \$1.37 per month. The reason for the decrease is that fuel prices have decreased and our rate is adjusted accordingly. The Chairman pointed out that there is mandatory garbage pickup in the county and the more people that sign up will help bring the price down for everyone.
8. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the September 14, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Chad Hopper– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings:

A Public Hearing on the matter of vacating County Road 425. Attorney Shane Givens was present at the meeting representing Mr. Wallace. Attorney Givens advised the Commission that Mr. Wallace was the only landowner and proper notification had been placed in the paper.
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached Resolution to Vacate County Road 425. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached the attached Terrapin Creek Scenic Trail Resolution as read by the Chairman. Mr. Fred Couch president of the Alabama Scenic River Trail spoke to matter. Passed 4-0.

- C. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to award the attached annual highway department bids for the fiscal year October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to adopt the attached resolution to elect to come under the provisions of Act 2002-23 of the Regular Session of the 2002 Legislature, establishing the Deferred Retirement Option Plan ("DROP") for Cherokee County Employees and Elected Officials. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve excess land redemptions to Randy & Sharon Cox in the amount of \$308.75, Jack or Barbara Mackey in the amount of \$125.42, and Jack or Barbara Mackey in the amount of \$250.42. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to adopt the attached county budget for the fiscal year October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010. Commissioner Parker expressed his appreciation to the commission office staff for their work in preparation of the budget and handling the funds. Parker also stated that the budget includes a 2.5% Cost of Living Allowance for employees and officials. Commissioner Teague expressed his appreciation to the employees and pointed out that he was particularly excited about the Code Red System for the citizens that is included in the budget. Commissioner Sprouse, Commissioner St. Clair, and Chairman Salter made favorable comments and expressed their appreciation to the employees for the job they do. After the comments the commission adopted the budget by a vote of 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

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

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE: October 12, 2009
PRESENT: Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, 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 Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the agenda for the October 12, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item # 7 to lower speed limit on County Road 217 from 45 to 25. 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 Submitted
8. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Kimball Parker to approve the minutes as published for the September 28, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins – None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the attached Service Agreement with E & M Services, Inc. for computer and network administration, repair and maintenance services and authorize the Administrator to sign. Agreement is for a monthly maintenance plan of 16 hours minimum at a rate of \$65.00 per hour for a total of \$1,040 per month. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to approve renewal of the Tax Revenue Enhancement Agreement for Revenue Administration with PRA Government Services, LLC. d/b/a RDS and authorize the Chairman to sign. Passed 4-0.
 - C. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the preliminary agreement for County Road 71 project as presented by County Engineer Corey Chambers. Mr. Chambers explained that the project is estimated at a total cost of \$502,350. The project will be funded by \$265,000 of stimulus funds and \$237,350 of local funds. Commissioner Parker stated that the project will pave 4.2 miles. Passed 4-0.

- D. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to allow Three Corners Landfill the option of closing the landfill on Saturdays with the exception of the first Saturday of the month which is free dumping for Cherokee County residents. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to approve excess land redemptions to Charles Garrett in the amount of \$174,84, Jack F. Mackey in the amount of \$442,29, and Larry & Jo Ann Teague in the amount of \$264,46. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the acceptance of the FY09 Recovery Act Rural Law Enforcement Assistance: Improving Rural Law Enforcement Investigations Grant Award in the amount of \$300,000. Passed 4-0.
- G. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to lower the speed limit on County Road 217 from 45 mph to 25 mph. Mr. Teague stated that this is a loop road off of County Road 41 and there are several houses close to the roadway and that children live in the area and the speed limit needed to be lowered. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Chairman Salter thanked Mr. Chambers and the highway department for their work in getting the County Road 22 Bridge opened.

- 14. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 4-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE: PRESENT: ABSENT:
October 26, 2009 Wade Sprouse, 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:

Ms. Tonya Ormdorf addressed the Commission about the Home Health and Hospice Program. She described how the program worked in the community with terminal patients.
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to approve the agenda for the October 26, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item # 6 to grant permission for the Scenic River Trial to pave the county right of way at Stuart's Bridge at no cost to the county.
Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Attorney Chad Hopper gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve the minutes as published for the October 12, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Chad Hopper– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. The Chairman announced that Park & Recreation Board Appointment for the 4 year term ending November 2013 will be made at the November 23, 2009 regular meeting. The Chairman stated that anyone who is interested in that position must inform the Commission with a written statement of their desire.
 - B. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached proclamation to proclaim October 25-31, 2009 to be PRO BONO WEEK as read by the Chairman. The proclamation is given to the Commission by our legal team and the state bar association. Passed 4-0.

- C. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to award the 2010 Model Single Axle Dump Truck with crew cab to Liberty Truck Sales in the amount of \$74,439.50 to be financed with BanCorpSouth as presented by County Engineer Corey Chambers. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached Resolution For Purchase of Correctional Food as read by the Chairman. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve excess land redemptions to Larry Don Teague in the amount of \$274.55, Reba Ray in the amount of \$168.89, Ricky Ray in the amount of \$89.03, and Reba Ray in the amount of \$514.41. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve the Scenic River Trail to pave the county right of way at Stuart's Bridge at no cost to the county. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Parker congratulated the Cherokee County High School Warrior Band. On October 17, the band went to a competition in Hayden and scored all "ones" in every category with the color guard and band receiving "best in class" out of twelve bands. Commissioner Parker also recognized Mr. Lloyd for doing a great job this year.

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

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
November 9, 2009

PRESENT:
Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

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

District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda for the November 9, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item # 5 to approve an Excess Land Redemption. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Commissioner Parker gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the minutes as published for the October 26, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted
Northeast Water Authority –

Mark wanted to express his thanks for a good working relationship with the highway department and commission and for their help in getting the water line run under the new bridge at Pruett's. Also, he expressed thanks for the funding to go under 411 and county road 45. This enabled the citizens around Pruett's Fish Camp to have adequate water pressure.
10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the attached Resolution Authorizing and Approving Execution Of A Contract With Bancorpsouth Equipment Finance, A Division of Bancorpsouth Bank and authorize the Chairman to sign resolution and related documents as presented by County Engineer Corey Chambers. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to table the consideration to acquire application for the use of the Fuelman Advantage Card for county vehicles. Passed 4-0.

- C. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the attached 2009/2010 regular Commission Meeting Schedule. Passed 4-0.
- D. The Chairman announced that the Park Board Appointment will be made at the November 23, 2009 meeting. Requests to be considered must be turned in to the Commission Office by noon on Wednesday, November 18, 2009.
- E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the excess land redemption to Tony Chandler in the amount of \$304,60. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Teague mentioned that Veterans Day is Wednesday. He expressed his thanks to the men and women who have served to give us the freedom to have a public meeting. The Chairman then called for a silent prayer in remembrance of the Veterans.

The Chairman recognized Tom Brock Jordan who took the Patriots Flight to Washington D.C. two weeks ago and joined 30 other veterans from the North Alabama area. The Chairman stated that Mr. Jordan was the only World War II Veteran that made the flight from Alabama this year.

- 14. Motion by Wade Sprouse, 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.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE:
November 23, 2009

PRESENT:

Wade Sprouse, District I
Kimball Parker, District II
Elbert St. Clair, District III
Carlton Teague, District IV
Melvyn Salter, Chairman

ABSENT:

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens:
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve the agenda for the November 23, 2009 regular meeting as published with the addition of item # 4 to approve a grant agreement for the elderly and item #5 WEIS Radio shop at home advertisement. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Commissioner St. Clair gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to approve the minutes as published for the November 9, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted
County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – None Submitted

10. Public Meetings: None Submitted

11. Old Business:

- A. The Chairman called for a vote to remove consideration to acquire application for the use of the Fuelman Advantage Card for county vehicles tabled from the prior meeting. The vote failed for lack of a motion. The Chairman stated that with no response the item remains on the table.

12. New Business:

- A. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to approve County Road 71 bid to McCartney Construction in the amount of \$439,810 and authorize the Chairman to sign the award. Financing will be \$265,000 from stimulus funds and \$174,810 from local funds. County Engineer Corey Chambers presented the information relating to the bid. Commissioner Parker stated that he thought that the county had received a good bid and is glad that the road can be fixed. Passed 4-0.
- B. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Wade Sprouse to approve excess land redemptions to Michael & Tina Goza in the amount of \$155.81, Imogene Painter in the amount of \$154.25, and Imogene Painter in the amount of \$154.24. Passed 4-0.

- C. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to reappoint Scooter Howell to the Park and Recreation Board for a 4 year term ending November 2013. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve with East Alabama Planning Commission an Agreement for Elderly Services and authorize the Chairman and Administrator to sign the agreement. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve a shop at home advertisement in the amount \$1,200.00 to be run from November 25 – December 24. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

- 14. Motion by Kimball Parker, 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.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

MINUTES

DATE: PRESENT: ABSENT:
December 14, 2009 Wade Sprouse, 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:
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
District I, Commissioner Sprouse – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present
5. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve the agenda for the December 14, 2009 meeting as published. 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 Submitted
8. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as published for the November 23, 2009 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:
County Administrator Tim Burgess – None Submitted
County Engineer Corey Chambers – None Submitted
County Attorney Bill Hawkins – None Submitted

County Sheriff Jeff Shaver spoke to the Commission about the Yellow Dot Program. The program should get started some time in January. The program has been discussed with Judge Salter, Town of Leeburg and the Town of Cedar Bluff to implement the program. The total cost of equipment for the program should be about \$2,000.

County EMA Director Beverly Daniel updated the Commission on the Code Red Program stating that it was up and running. Ms. Daniel stated that individuals could go to our county website and register. The EMA will register anyone who does not have access to the internet once an application is complete.
10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business:
12. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to have a special called meeting on the consideration of Insurance Renewal for renewal period January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010 on Monday, December 21, 2009 at 10:00 AM. Passed 4-0.
 - B. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Wade Sprouse to accept for consideration a petition For Increase Of Lodging Tax Rates and Increased Funding For Public Parks & Recreation Board Of Cherokee County, Alabama, Inc. with corrections. Passed 4-0.

- C. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve Contractual Agreement with Intergraph with the purpose of providing the County with Digital imagery, Digital Orthophotography, a LiDAR acquired elevation surface, and updates to existing GIS Base Mapping Layers in the amount of \$427,101 funded by Reappraisal reserve funds. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Carlton Teague to approve the attached 2010 County Holiday Schedule. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt the attached resolution honoring the 2009 CCHS Football Team. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve excess land redemption to Bryan Dorsett in the amount of \$38.02 and Imogene Painter in the amount of \$173.70. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None Submitted

- 14. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Wade Sprouse to adjourn meeting. Passed 4-0.

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

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV

**CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION
CENTRE, ALABAMA**

MINUTES

DATE: December 21, 2009	PRESENT: Wade Sprouse, District I Kimball Parker, District II Elbert St. Clair, District III Carlton Teague, District IV Melvyn Salter, Chairman	ABSENT:
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1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. The Chairman stated the Reason for Special Called Meeting as follows:
 1. Consideration of insurance for the term January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010.
 2. Adopt resolution for Sheriff's Department \$25,000 ADECA Grant.
3. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:
 - District I, Commissioner Sprouse - Present
 - District II, Commissioner Parker - Present
 - District III, Commissioner St. Clair - Present
 - District IV, Commissioner Teague - Present
4. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda for December 21, 2009 Special Called Meeting. Passed 4-0.
5. The Chairman explained that both insurance companies had come and made proposals. After much discussion, Elbert St. Clair made a motion, second by Wade Sprouse to contract with the Association of County Commissions for liability coverage in the amount of \$106,759 and Star Insurance Company for property coverage in the amount of \$33,122 for the term January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010. Passed 4-0.
6. Motion by Kimball Parker, and Carlton Teague to adopt resolution for Sheriff's Department \$25,000 ADECA Grant and authorize the Chairman and Administrator to sign documents. The grant will fund computers for law enforcement vehicles and one digital in-car video recorder. Passed 4-0.
7. Motion by Wade Sprouse, second by Kimball Parker to adjourn meeting. Passed 4-0.

Wade Sprouse, District I

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

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