

A SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE  
CHEROKEE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
December 19, 2012

A Special Called Meeting of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners was held in the Commissioner's Boardroom of the Cherokee County Courthouse in Murphy, North Carolina on the 19th day of December, 2012 at 3:00 o'clock p.m.

The following Commissioners were present for the meeting: Cal Stiles, Chairman; Lorraine Meltz, Vice-Chairman; David Wood, member; C.B. McKinnon, member; and, Steve Jordan, member. Also present were: Randy Wiggins, County Manager; Maria Hass, Assistant County Manager/Assistant Clerk; R. Scott Lindsay, County Attorney/Clerk; W.C. King, County Fire Marshall; and Kevin Carter, Fire Chief for Hanging Dog Fire Department. Present from the media was Joe Martin of the Cherokee Scout newspaper.

The purpose of the Special Called Meeting was to hold a public hearing concerning the proposal of establishing a fire service tax district for the Tipton Creek Area, pursuant to §153A-301 (2).

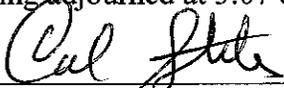
A Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to go into the public hearing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

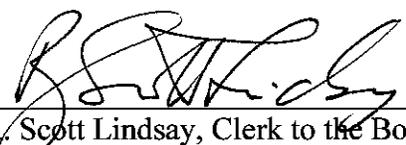
The Chairman discussed the purpose of the public meeting and the county manager explained that an overwhelming majority of the residents of Tipton Creek had petitioned for the County Board of Commissioners to establish a fire service tax district for their area, as they are currently not protected and it is also affecting their homeowners insurance. A letter and report were provided prior to and at the public hearing, pursuant to §153A-302. There were only six (6) residents present, to which all spoke in support of the creation a fire service tax district. There were sixty (60) petition responses received. Fifty-seven (57) of those responses were in favor of a fire service tax district, while three (3) opposed. There were twenty-nine (29) residents who did not respond.

Being that there was no further discussion and no opposition, a Motion was made by Commissioner Meltz to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion passed unanimously.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:07 o'clock p.m.

  
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Cal Stiles, Chairman

  
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R. Scott Lindsay, Clerk to the Board