

A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
CHEROKEE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 5, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners was held in the Commissioners Boardroom, also known as Multi-Purpose Room 342, of the Cherokee County Courthouse in Murphy, North Carolina on the 5th day of November, 2014 at 6:00 o'clock p.m.

The following Commissioners were present for the meeting: C.B. McKinnon, Chairman; Lorraine Meltz, Vice-Chair; Cal Stiles, member; David Wood, member; and Steve Jordan, member. Also present were the following: Randy Wiggins, County Manager; Maria Hass, Assistant County Manager/Assistant Clerk to the Board; R. Scott Lindsay, County Attorney/Clerk to the Board; and Candy Roberts Anderson, County Finance Director.

Present from the media was Matthew Osborne of the Cherokee Scout; and Ralph Robinson of Local TV4. DVD copies of commission meetings may be purchased at Local TV4.

Chairman McKinnon read the boards adopted ethics statement.

The invocation was given by Commissioner Jordan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all.

Agenda Adoption:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Meltz to adopt the agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to open the public hearing for the NCDOT 5310 and 5311 Community Transportation Program Grants. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Cherokee County Transit Director Mike Catuto presented the program. There were no questions from members of the public. A Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to approve the NCDOT Community Transportation Program 5310 and 5311 Grants. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance and Budget Items:

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Meltz to approve a budget revision for use of restricted 911 funds for purchase of 911 equipment and upgrades. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan to approve carrying forward Good Shepherd grant funds, which were budgeted in FY 2013-14. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

The finance director presented to the board, the list of June 30, 2014 departmental transfers. The transfers were from Central Service to Register of Deeds and Museum.

New Business:

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Meltz to approve the current tax releases and refunds, as presented by Delenna Stiles. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to table a resolution concerning forced pooling, previously submitted by David Liden. Mr. Liden was out of town and said he preferred to be present at the meeting that the resolution is discussed. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to table the Four Square lease until the next meeting, to allow board members time to review. Motion seconded by Commissioner McKinnon. Motion passed unanimously.

The board briefly discussed Andrews Industrial Park, which is jointly owned by the county and the Town of Andrews. A worksession will be scheduled after the first of the year to discuss the interest and intent of both parties.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan to table the Board of Health appointment. He said that he would like to allow the new board to make the appointment, since that person will be serving under the new commission board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Meltz to appoint Linda May to the alternate position on the Area Agency on Aging Committee. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to appoint Amy Davis to the Nantahala Regional Library Board of Trustees. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner items:

Commissioner Jordan said that he appreciated the opportunity to serve the public for the last four years.

Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Board, a Motion was made by Commissioner Wood. Motion seconded by Commissioner Meltz. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:38 o'clock p.m.

C.B. McKinnon, Chairman

R. Scott Lindsay, Clerk to the Board