

A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
CHEROKEE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
March 16, 2015

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 16th day of March, 2015 at 6:30 o'clock p.m.

The following Commissioners were present for the meeting: C.B. McKinnon, Chairman; Cal Stiles, Vice-Chairman; Dan Eichenbaum, member; Gary Westmoreland, member; and Roy Dickey, member. Also present were the following: Randy Wiggins, County Manager; Maria Hass, Assistant County Manager/Clerk to the Board; R. Scott Lindsay, County Attorney/Assistant 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 Randy Wiggins.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all.

Modification of Agenda: None

Agenda Adoption:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to adopt the agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance and Budget Items:

After discussion, the budget revision for use of 911 funds to purchase dispatch chairs failed due to lack of a Motion.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Eichenbaum to approve a budget revision for the health department for the purchase of required MCR vaccines. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to approve use of revaluation funds to purchase Mobile Bi-Tech software for the tax appraisal office. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to approve a budget revision for the sheriff's department for drug and informant monies. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.

Budget revisions are on file in the office of the finance director.

New Business:

- After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Eichenbaum to approve a proclamation designating the month of April 2015 as Parkinson's Awareness month. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.
- Ryan Sherby, Executive Director of Region A Southwestern Commission, came before the board to provide an annual update.
- Waylan and Marian Hill, of Logan's Run Rescue, came before the board to give an update of funds spent at Logan's Run for the spay and neuter program, and asked the

board for continued funding in the upcoming FY budget. Waylan and Marian expressed their appreciation for the FY14-15 funding.

- After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to approve releases and refunds as presented by Delenna Stiles. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland. Motion passed unanimously.
- Doug Clement of N.C. Cooperative Extension came before the board to discuss the future needs and uses of the Mountain Folk Center. Mr. Clement also provided a list of needed repairs to make the center safe for future use. A Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to approve repairs of Building F (old livestock barn) in the amount of \$5000.00, which would require a budget revision in the amount of \$2,100.00. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eichenbaum. Motion passed unanimously.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Eichenbaum to approve the use of Mountain Folk Center for purposes of a farmers market and craft fairs, as presented at the March 2nd meeting by Mr. Clement. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously. Rules and regulations for the facility will be forthcoming.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to allow Cherokee County School maintenance department to use Building E (old tomato shed) at the Mountain Folk Center for storage, in lieu of bush hogging the property three times a year. The county reserved the right to ask for removal of stored items at anytime the county may have a purpose for the building. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eichenbaum. Motion passed unanimously.
- After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Eichenbaum to approve the revised resolution for the Board of Equalization and review. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously.
- After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to appoint Denise Cross to the Region A Nursing and Adult Care Home Advisory Committee for a three-year term. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland. Motion passed unanimously.
- Paige Brinke, applicant for the Hiwassee Valley Pool and Wellness Center board, gave a brief introduction. Applicant Joseph Liguori had a medical emergency and was unable to attend.
- The following applicants for the Tourism Development Authority appeared before the board and gave brief introductions: Margaret Deluna, Steve Dickey, Robin Sargent, Phylis Blackmon, and Sandra Daley.
- The following applicants for the board of Equalization and Review appeared before the board and gave brief introductions: Michelle Spies, Lamar Ledford, Alex Starks, Richard McPherson, Jerry Decker, and Bob Gibson. Applicants Darrell McClure and Rhonda Stallard were not present.

County Manager Items:

The county manager asked the board to look at dates for another work session. The board scheduled a work session for March 26th at 6:30 p.m. Commissioner Stiles said that he would like to work on an adult bookstore ordinance at the work session.

Chairman/Commissioner Items: None

The board took a 5 minute recess.

Executive Session:

Pursuant to §143-318.11 (a) (3), a Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to go into closed session to consult with the county attorney, concerning a legal matter. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously.

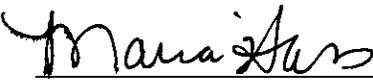
After returning to open session, the board took no action on items discussed in closed session.

Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Board, a Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 o'clock p.m.



C.B. McKinnon, Chairman



Maria Hass, Clerk to the Board