

MINUTES

Cherokee County Board of Commissioners

MAY 3, 2011

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRMAN AHRENS

Chairman Ahrens called the regular meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Those present include Commissioner Harry B. Johnston; Vice Chair/Commissioner Jim Hubbard; Commissioner Karen Bosch; Commissioner Jason Nelms; County Manager Jerry Cooper; County Clerk Sheila R. Corbin. Also present were Agency Directors/Department Heads; the media; and the public. (Paul Dzikowski in for Angie Davis)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"Veterans of U.S. military service may proudly salute the flag while not in uniform based on a change in the governing law on 25 July 2007"

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

There were three amendments: (1) Under Consent Agenda –Consider adding additional five (5) vehicles for surplus auction May 7; (2) Under County Manager – Approve 2010 budget adjustment to allocate Insurance and Benefit Fund negative balance to departments; (3) Under Chairman – Status update on runway extension at Cherokee County Airport. After the Chairman read the amendments, he asked for a motion. Commissioner Bosch made the motion to approve; Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) On Friday, May 6, 2011 at Heritage Park, Riverstone Parkway (behind the Ingles and YMCA) in Canton, the *2011 Ambassador Family*, who are the proud parents Jason and Holly Hubbard of young Mr. Seth Hubbard, for the **March of Dimes** "*March for Babies*" will lead off the walk/march for babies, along with the very proud grand-parents, Jim and Peggy Hubbard. If you can't make it, you can donate online at www.marchforbabies.org/hollyhub or just come to the park. The registration time is 6:00 PM, with a start time of 7:00 PM.

(2) The "**Senior Extravaganza**" will be held on Saturday, May 7 from 10 am to 3 pm at the Cherokee County Recreation Center/South Annex-7545 Main Street, Woodstock. Admission is FREE; there will be health screens, makeovers, demonstrations, entertainment and delicious food. This is a showcase of products and services for seniors. For additional information, call Cpl. Stacy Bailey at (770) 720-4883 or stacy.bailey@canton-georgia.com

(3) Also on Saturday, May 7, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Canton City Hall 151 Elizabeth Street is **“ELECTRONIC RECYCLING DAY”**. Call 404-394-9601 for more information.

(4) Beginning on Tuesday, May 10 and through Saturday, May 14, we will have **“Battery Recycling”** at the Cherokee Recycling Center at 470 Blalock Road, Canton; during regular hours of operation. There is a nominal fee of \$2. For further information, e-mail mjohnson@cherokeega.com (All batteries except vehicle batteries will be accepted)

(5) **REMINDER!!** STATEWIDE OUTDOOR BURN BAN IN EFFECT - MAY 1ST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH.

APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES FROM APRIL 19, 2011

When the Chairman asked for a motion, Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to approve; Commissioner Nelms seconded and there was unanimous approval.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 19, 2011

Chairman Ahrens asked for a motion, Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard made the motion to approve; Commissioner Nelms seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Seven people had signed up to speak. Four wanted to speak on item #8 regarding the Tri Scapes contract amendment for initial landscape maintenance work along Sixes Road, Bells Ferry Road and the I-575 interchange. Three wanted to speak about Sunday retail alcohol sales being put on the referendum for November. Of the four who wished to speak about the agenda item, Mike Douglas and Louis Tooker from the Sixes Road Community Association said they were not in support of this request; the others, Jay Patouillet and Dave Meredith from the Bridgemill Community Association support the request.

Roger Carter, John Hiland and Carolyn Cosby had asked to speak about the Sunday retail alcohol sales being on the ballot in November. Only Mr. Carter and Mr. Hiland spoke and they were not in support of this going up for a vote. Ms. Cosby decided to defer but had spoken at a previous meeting also against the question.

OLD BUSINESS

CASE NUMBER : **11-04-007**
APPLICANT : QuikTrip Corporation
ZONING CHANGE : R-40 to GC
LOCATION : Hwy.20 @ Old Doss Road
MAP & PARCEL NUMBER : 14N23A,024A, portion of 023 & 026
ACRES : 4.237
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT : Convenience Store w/gas
COMMISSION DISTRICT : Post 1
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT MAP : Transitional Corridor/Suburban Living

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: Approval with conditions

1. That no further development be allowed on Tract 2, which is currently owned by Billy Hasty (excluding the small portion which QuikTrip is purchasing) after the retention pond and the slope easement are completed.
2. That Old Doss Road be realigned and improvements made to Highway 20 along with a traffic signal, with the approval of Cherokee County and the DOT, before QuikTrip is allowed to obtain their Certificate of Occupancy and open.
3. That the conditions of Resolution 09-05-010 – Dr. Austin Flint, be applied to this piece of property also.

Commissioner Johnston made the motion to allow applicant to withdraw without prejudice; Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

CHAIRMAN

L. B. AHRENS

- (A) Discussion re Proposed GRTA Xpress Service Changes-Summer 2011

Chairman Ahrens explained about possible service changes; Commissioner Johnston also commented since he is a current rider. The Chairman asked that a link be put up on the County web site for the Public Comment period which runs from April 25 to May 25.

(B) Discussion re retail Sunday alcohol sales - Gov. Deal has signed legislation

Chairman Ahrens said they are waiting on a timeline from Registrar's Office to determine what and/or when required if it is decided to put on the November referendum; also would like to schedule a date for Public Comment/Public Hearing to have feedback from citizens before decision is made.

AMENDMENT – Update on status of runway extension at CC Airport

Project is on schedule, paving to 5,000 feet should be down in next week or so, with parallel taxiway; after new hangar built, contract states if 75% leased out, can build another, this also on track with materials ordered and should be complete by end of June.

COMMISSION POST 1 **HARRY B. JOHNSTON**

VICE CHAIR/COMMISSION POST 2 **JIM HUBBARD**

COMMISSION POST 3 **KAREN BOSCH**

COMMISSION POST 4 **JASON NELMS**

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider approval of a proposal from Sunbelt Structures, Inc. for the installation of additional storm drainage piping on two parcels of the Priest Road/Hunt Road Connector project in the amount of \$15,270.
2. Request approval of continuing participation in the Georgia Urban County Consortium-HOME Program (GUCC) for PY 2012-2014 and approval of Resolution for same

AMENDMENT - Consider adding an additional five (5) vehicles for auction May 7

Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to approve; Commissioner Bosch seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

COUNTY MANAGER

3. Consider approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between Cherokee County and the City of Woodstock for the transfer of a sewer cleaner truck

in exchange for asphalt milling, patching and paving services (City Council has already approved)

Commissioner Bosch made the motion to approve; Commissioner Nelms seconded and there was unanimous approval.

4. Request approval of Athletic Field Use Policy as recommended by the CRPA Board

Commissioner Nelms made the motion to approve; both Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard and Commissioner Johnston seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

5. Request changes to Volunteer Screening Policies for Youth Coaches and adoption of Criminal Background Check Requirements for Youth Athletic Associations

Commissioner Nelms made the motion to approve; Commissioner Bosch seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

6. Requesting adoption of Youth Athletic Association Policies and Procedures Manual as already adopted by the CRPA Board

Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard made the motion to approve; Commissioner Johnston seconded and there was unanimous approval.

7. Consider award of health care advisory services to Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc. for annual contract amount not to exceed \$73,000.

Commissioner Johnston made a motion to approve; Commissioner Nelms seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

8. Consider amending Tri Scapes contract to add scope of services for "initial" landscape maintenance work along Sixes Road, Bells Ferry and I-575 interchange in the amount of \$837.00 to be paid by Bridgemill Community Association

Commissioner Bosch made a motion to approve; Commissioner Nelms seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.

9. Request approval of budget amendment/transfer to lower 2011 SPLOST budget by (\$216,057.39) for portion of Communications budget spent in 2010

Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard made the motion to approve; Commissioner Johnston seconded and there was unanimous approval.

AMENDMENT – Request approval of 2010 budget adjustment to allocate Insurance and Benefit Fund negative balance to departments

Commissioner Johnston made the motion to approve; Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard seconded and the motion received unanimous approval.



COUNTY ATTORNEY



ADJOURN

After the Chairman asked if there was any other business, hearing none, Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to adjourn at 6:56 p.m.; Commissioner Nelms seconded and the vote was for unanimous approval.



These Minutes were approved at the meeting on May 17, 2011.