

MINUTES

Cherokee County Board of Commissioners

April 3, 2012 REGULAR MEETING CHEROKEE HALL 6:00 P.M.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Hubbard gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRMAN AHRENS

Chairman Ahrens called the regular meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Those present include Commissioner Harry B. Johnston; Commissioner Jim Hubbard; Vice Chair/Commissioner Karen Bosch; County Manager Jerry Cooper; County Attorney Angie Davis; County Clerk Christy Black. Also present were Agency Directors/Department Heads; the media; and the public.

Commissioner Nelms was out of town vacationing with his family.

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"

Commissioner Bosch led the Pledge.

PRESENTATIONS

Captain Higgins announced the first quarter of 2012 awards for the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Garrison and Chief Deputy West presented the awards. Sheriff Garrison thanked the Board for their time in allowing the Sheriff's Office to recognize these hard-working individuals.

PROCLAMATION

Proclaiming April as Donate Life Month in Cherokee County, Georgia. A Pamela Locke, a volunteer with LifeLink of Georgia will be in attendance to accept the proclamation.

Chairman Ahrens read the proclamation. Ms. Locke did not make the meeting so Chairman Ahrens said he would make sure the proclamation was delivered to LifeLink.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

Remove item 3.1 Under County Attorney Portion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY SATURDAY MAY 5, 2012
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Canton City Hall
151 ELIZABETH STREET, CANTON, GEORGIA

Commissioner Bosch spoke about Anuschka's Health Management Project on Vince Merolla Village Property. The "TODAY IN AMERICA" show will be highlighting Juanita Washington, the CEO of Anuschka, for the upscale senior facilities and her community involvement. The proposed project is part of the master plan for the Village which will be skilled nursing, AL care and Acute Care Rehabilitation Center. Later phases include TBI center (Traumatic Brain Injury). The county had an opportunity to be included in the show to highlight Cherokee County and this project by taping the show at the Bluffs.

APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES FROM MARCH 20, 2012.

Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to approve; Commissioner Johnston seconded and there was unanimous approval.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 20, 2012.

Commissioner Johnston made a motion to approve; Commissioner Hubbard seconded and there was unanimous approval.

PUBLIC HEARING

None scheduled.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Richard Mauldin signed up to speak about Killian Park. He said 'to all those who come here to complain about the Parks Bond' that he wanted to remind them that it was voted on by the Citizens of Cherokee County. He then wanted to know when work was going to be started at Killian Park.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

CHAIRMAN

L. B. AHRENS

- A. Chairman Ahrens announced that SB 514 (HOST), a County local legislation, had passed and the question about adding a penny tax would be on the November ballot.
- B. He announced again that Cherokee Bank and the Ledger were hosting an ARC informational event on April 12 at 8:00 a.m. at the Northside Cherokee Conference Center at the Bluffs.

COMMISSION POST 1

HARRY B. JOHNSTON

COMMISSION POST 2

JIM HUBBARD

VICE CHAIR/COMMISSION POST 3

KAREN BOSCH

COMMISSION POST 4

JASON NELMS

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1.1 Consider approval for Sheriff's Office to apply for the FY 2012 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program for an allocated amount of \$10,624.00 through the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). No match required.

Mr. Cooper said that the reason the amount awarded to Cherokee County was significantly lower than you'll see in other counties is because the allocation is crime per capita based.

- 1.2 Consider request for Public Hearing to be held on May 1, 2012 to hear amendments to Development Regulations; specifically to address maintenance and performance guarantees.

Mr. Cooper said that the proposed revisions involve the types of guarantees acceptable by Cherokee County to include Letters of credit. Letters of credit shall only be accepted from banks or financial institutions that are not under a consent order by the FDIC and have a Texas Ratio of less than 100.

- 1.3 Consider awarding contract for Roads and Bridges uniforms to the Cintas Corporation, the most responsive, responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00 annually with an average weekly bill anticipated at \$290.00. A second bid was received by G & K Services for \$317.14 per week.

Chairman Ahrens asked if this was the current vendor and Mr. Cooper replied that it was.

Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; Commissioner Johnston seconded and there was unanimous approval.

COUNTY MANAGER

COUNTY ATTORNEY

AMENDED: Remove Item

- 3.1 Appeal by Mr. Dennis Ray of the denial of a precious metal dealer's permit application for Goldhound, 2382 Marietta Hwy, Canton, Georgia.

Angie Davis said that due to an apparent emergency, the attorney for the GoldHound case, Mr. Burns, asked for the case to be heard at the next meeting on April 17. After some discussion, Ms. Davis said she recommended the Board allow a continuance on the matter.

By policy, minutes are not official until approved by the Board at a future regular meeting.

Commissioner Bosch made a motion to approve the continuance; Commissioner Hubbard seconded and there was unanimous approval.

ADJOURN

The Chairman asked if there was any further business. Hearing none, Commissioner Hubbard made the motion to adjourn at 6:31 p.m.; Vice Chair/Commissioner Bosch seconded and the motion received unanimous approval.