SUMMARY

Cherokee County Board of Commissioners

June 19, 2012 REGULAR MEETING CHEROKEE HALL 6:00 P.M.

INVOCATION

Dr. Pina, pastor of Sixes Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER CHAIRMAN AHRENS

Chairman Ahrens called the regular meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Those present include Commissioner Harry B. Johnston; Commissioner Jim Hubbard; Vice Chair/Commissioner Karen Bosch; Commissioner Jason Nelms; County Manager Jerry Cooper; County Attorney Angie Davis; County Clerk Christy Black. Also present were Agency Directors/Department Heads; the media; and the public.

RATIFY CLOSURE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to ratify the closure of Executive Session at 5:35 p.m.; Commissioner Bosch seconded and there was unanimous approval.

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 Hubbard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

None Scheduled.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

1. Under County Attorney Section: Appoint legal counsel for the Bankruptcy Case.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Please note that school begins on Wednesday, August 1, 2012.

Voting Dates, Times & Locations:

July 9 – July 20

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (M-F)
Open to ALL Cherokee County registered voters! Election Office Only.

Cherokee County Elections Office
400 E. Main Street
Canton, GA 30114

July21
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Saturday)
Open to ALL Cherokee County registered voters!
(Five locations)

July 23 – July 27
8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (M-F)
Open to ALL Cherokee County registered voters!
(Five locations – see addresses above)

July 30– Monday NO VOTING

July 31- ELECTION DAY
7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.(Tuesday)
All county precincts are open ELECTION DAY
You must vote at your assigned precinct.

Call the Elections office at 770-479-0407 or visit http://voter.cherokeega.com for additional information.

2. Cherokee County will have a new Cooperative Extension Agent for Ag/Horticulture beginning September 1st. Louise Estabrook is transferring from the North Fulton office. She is a certified arborist, and has worked with many community gardens, farm markets, taught classes, writes articles, teaches updates for the green industry and helps homeowners with diagnostic problems in lawns and garden.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES FROM JUNE 5, 2012
As distributed by the County Manager.

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

APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES FROM JUNE 5, 2012.

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

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 5, 2012.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

None scheduled.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Bill Bosch had signed up to speak but decided to pass.

2. Richard Mauldin signed up to speak about Killian Park, saying he does not understand what is taking so long to start the project.

3. Thomas Weaver wanted to thank the Board for their cooperation and patience in dealing with matters brought before them, particularly in helping him with a few issues he has had.

4. Carolyn Cosby signed up to speak about the Bobo Recycling issue. She stated that a mandamus had been filed with Superior Court. She was concerned that bond asset equipment may be included in the auction of the Ball Ground Recycling equipment. She named two pieces of equipment that she believed to be County property and on the auction list.

Chairman Ahrens **clarified** that the two items she pointed out as County equipment were on the **NON-BOND ASSETS** Equipment List and were **not** County property.

5. Debbie Staver said that she heard there was a bomb threat. The Chairman clarified that the bomb threat was several weeks ago at the Justice Center.

ZONING CASES

Note: This item was postponed from May 15, 2012 meeting.

CASE NUMBER	**: 12-03-003**
APPLICANT	**: House 81 Eleven, LLC**
ZONING CHANGE	**:** AG to OI
LOCATION	**:** 8111 Bells Ferry Road
MAP & PARCEL NUMBER	**:** 15N02, Parcels 27 and 28
ACRES	**:** 3.28

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	: Professional Offices
COMMISSION DISTRICT	: 3
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT MAP	: Transitional Corridor over Suburban Living

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION : **Approval with the conditions**

The applicant is to work with Cherokee County Engineering Department on a traffic study to determine what will be needed for roadway improvements and with the understanding that the existing driveway and parking would need to comply with the Development Standards.

Stipulations: Access from Fay Drive only, no access on Bells Ferry Road.

Post Commissioner Bosch made a motion to approve with stipulations; Commissioner Nelms seconded and there was unanimous approval.

CASE NUMBER	: **12-06-005**
APPLICANT	: **Pamela L. Fussell**
ZONING CHANGE	: AG to R-40
LOCATION	: 182 Pope Drive
MAP & PARCEL NUMBER	: 14N12B, Part of 22
ACRES	: 3.62
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	: Residential
COMMISSION DISTRICT	: 1
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT MAP	: Suburban Living

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION : **Approval**

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

COMMISSION BUSINESS

CHAIRMAN **L. B. AHRENS**

A. Consideration of Airport Authority appointment.

There were four candidates discussed for the appointment and it was decided that David Pitts would be appointed to the Airport Authority.

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

Commissioner Hubbard commented that they were fortunate to have had so many quality candidates to choose from.

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 surplus and disposal of obsolete radios and cell phones from the Sheriff's Office.

1.2 Consider final acceptance of all public rights-of-way, roadways and appurtenant drainage structures in the Woodmont, Unit 13 subdivision.

1.3 Consider approval to accept grant awarded for ADA Improvements from the Office of the Secretary of State to the Elections Office and budget transfer in the amount of $618.00 to Elections Repairs Budget to be utilized for striping and signage at the BridgeMill polling location.

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

COUNTY MANAGER

2.1 Consider approval of FY 2013 Department of Human Resources (DHS) annual contract for funding which supports the County's Rural Transportation Program (CATS 5311) in the amount of $169,665.53.

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

2.2 Consider approval to renew annual ARC contract and approve FY 2013 ARC Budget in the amount of $651,106.00.

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

2.3 Consider approval of renegotiated contract with existing elevator maintenance provider, Thyssen Krupp Elevator Corporation, in the annualized amount of $45,909.36, a savings over the 2011 annualized cost which was $51,009.84.

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

2.4 Consider approval to expand Lewis Park to include all US Army Corps of Engineers property south of East Bells Ferry Road, currently under lease by Cherokee County. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board approved this proposal at their June 6, 2012.

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

2.5 Consider approval of revisions to Athletic Use Policy as recommended by staff, reviewed and approved by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

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

2.6 Consider approval of revisions to Youth Athletic Association Manual as recommended by staff, reviewed and approved by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

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

2.7 Consider approval of facilities lease renewal between Cherokee County and the Georgia Department of Veterans Services for approximately 1,500 square feet of office space located in the Historic Courthouse.

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

2.8 Consider approval to award RFP to DSI Medical Services, Inc. as the County's TPA (Third Party Administrator) for substance screening services in the amount of $7,315.00. A second bidder was Artimes in the amount of $7,697.00.

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

2.9 Consider request to set a public hearing for July 24, 2012 to consider changes to the Cemetery Preservation Ordinance.

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

2.10 Consider approval of budget transfer/amendment from SSBG funding to Title IIIB funding due to ARC cuts starting in ARC FY 2013. No change to overall budget.

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

COUNTY ATTORNEY

3.1 Consider hearing the appeal of a denial by the Zoning Board of Appeals Case No. 12-06-015V, regarding the variance request of Michael Jorge.

Vicki Taylor Lee explained that Mr. Jorge had changed his variance request since the denial by the ZBA.

Angie Davis suggested the Board grant the appeal and hear the case the July 10 meeting.

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

Amended: Appointment of legal counsel related to the Ball Ground Recycling Bankruptcy Case.

Chairman Ahrens asked Ms. Davis her thoughts on appointing McKenna Long Aldridge as legal counsel for the bankruptcy. She stated that it was acceptable because bankruptcy was their expertise.

Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to approve; Commissioner Johnston 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 6:42 p.m.; Commissioner Bosch seconded and the motion received unanimous approval.