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**CHEROKEE COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Work Session**

**June 19, 2012**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Cherokee Hall**

**MINUTES**

The Chairman began at 4:23 p.m. with all members of the Board present. The Chairman mentioned that Cherokee County now has a new cooperative extension agent, Louise Estabrook, beginning September 1<sup>st</sup>. He then mentioned that the Airport Authority's next meeting would be July 9<sup>th</sup>.

1. Discussion of Regular Agenda Items.

Mr. Cooper went over the **Consent Agenda**:

- Consider surplus and disposal of obsolete radios and cell phones from the Sheriff's Office.
- Consider final acceptance of all public rights-of-way, roadways and appurtenant drainage structures in the Woodmont, Unit 13 subdivision.
- 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 Bosch said there were too polling locations for BridgeMill and asked which one would be receiving the transfer. Mr. Cooper responded that the Grace Community Church location would be.

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Mr. Cooper then went over the items under the **County Manager's** portion:

- 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.
- Consider approval to renew annual ARC contract and approve FY 2013 ARC Budget in the amount of \$651,106.00.
- 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.
- 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.
- Consider approval of revisions to Athletic Use Policy as recommended by staff, reviewed and approved by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.
- Consider approval of revisions to Youth Athletic Association Manual as recommended by staff, reviewed and approved by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.
- 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.
- 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.
- Consider request to set a public hearing for July 24, 2012 to consider changes to the Cemetery Preservation Ordinance.

Commissioner Bosch asked if they had listed what the changes are or is it just adopting the entire. Margaret Stallings said it would probably end up being a repeal and replace

- 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.

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Commissioner Johnston asked a question regarding the schedule of fees. He asked if it applied to Badger Park at least for the duration of its 10 year contract with CSA. Bryan said no, it does not apply.

Mr. Cooper then went over the items under the **County Attorney's** portion:

- 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.

Angie Davis asked Vicki Taylor Lee to come forward and address this item. Vicki Taylor Lee said that Mr. Jorge originally requested both front and rear building setbacks because he wanted to split the lot. ZBA denied it because he wanted to split the lot. Several existing homes would have to be renumbered which is another reason for the denial. She said Mr. Jorge has since scaled back his request they are only going to be looking at the side and rear. Commissioner Bosch asked if he was denied to split the lot and Vicki Taylor Lee answered no, the denial was on the front setback. She said when he went to ZBA he had one lot and it is still one lot; it never got subdivided. He didn't need a variance to do it because of the size of it. He needed a variance for front and rear setbacks. He is now asking for only the rear building setback. Angie Davis said she thinks what happened was that he was denied and since has worked with the property owners and is now proposing to present the house in a slightly different way to accommodate the neighbors' concerns. If he does not appeal, he is prejudice for a year. He still wants one of the setbacks but is willing to compromise on the other. Vicki Taylor Lee said this evening they are looking for the Board of Commissioners to agree to hear the appeal and to set up a public hearing.

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The Chairman asked if there was anything else. Hearing none, Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 4:57 p.m. to discuss personnel issues, pending litigation and property acquisition. Commissioner Nelms seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session to Follow