



Cherokee County Board of Commissioners

MINUTES

June 17, 2014
Regular Meeting
CHEROKEE HALL 6:00 PM

INVOCATION

Lynn Eynon with Woodstock Christian Church will give the invocation.

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 Gunnin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRMAN AHRENS

Chairman Ahrens called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Those present included Commissioner Harry B. Johnston; Commissioner Raymond Gunnin; Commissioner Poole; 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

Chairman Ahrens noted that there was no Executive Session other than at the Special Called Meeting earlier.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None Scheduled.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

1. Add item 1.8 under Consent: CJCC Supplemental Grant Award.
2. Add item 2.3 under County Manager: Notice of General Fund Millage Rate.

Chairman Ahrens made a motion to approve the amended agenda; Commissioner Nelms seconded and there was unanimous approval.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION, WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 3, 2014.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

None Scheduled.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one signed up to speak.

ZONING CASES

CASE NUMBER	: 14-06-013
APPLICANT	: Oak Hall Companies, LLC
ZONING CHANGE	: AG to R-15
LOCATION	: 3051 Trickum Road
MAP & PARCEL NUMBER	: 15N22, 135
ACRES	: 68.46
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	: Single Family Neighborhood
COMMISSION DISTRICT	: 2
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT MAP:	Suburban Living

As a result of the public hearing held on June 3, 2014, the Cherokee County Planning Commission voted to recommend APPROVAL of zoning case 14-06-013 Oak Hall Companies, LLC to rezone from AG (Agricultural) to R-15 (Single Family Residential) on 68.46 acres for a single family neighborhood with the following conditions:

- 1) Trickum Road is improved to a minimum of 20 feet wide from the development entrance to Arnold Mill Road
- 2) Improve the vertical geometry of Trickum Road to meet a 25 mph design speed in locations where they are currently insufficient
- 3) A 150 foot left-turn land is constructed on eastbound Arnold Mill Road and the traffic signal is upgraded to include protected/permissive phase for this movement
- 4) Maximum of 85 lots
- 5) Minimum lot size of 15,000 square feet
- 6) Amenity area to be located interior to development
- 7) Conform to stream bank buffers, streetscape enhancements, earth and berm along Trickum Road 4-6 feet with 3-rail horse fence, enhanced buffers along lots 81, 69, 65, 66 and 67 as shown on revised site plan dated June 2, 2014
- 8) Recorded plat to note stream bank buffer encroachments into platted lots.

Commissioner Gunnin indicated this was in his district and believes it to be a good design and that it will fit well in the community. He stated it would net out to be an R-20 although it is an R-15 zoning. Commissioner Gunnin made a recommendation to approve as presented by Planning and Zoning. Commissioner Poole seconded.

Chairman Ahrens opened for discussion. Parks Huff explained that the first three conditions are related to the development agreement and in lieu of the first three they would enter into a development agreement to be agreed to by the County Attorney. He said if we don't do that, he's afraid that the arrangement might be in conflict with the development agreement. Commissioner Nelms asked if both parties agreed to condition seven. Mr. Huff said yes.

There was unanimous approval.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

CHAIRMAN

L. B. AHRENS

VICE CHAIR/COMMISSION DISTRICT 1

HARRY B. JOHNSTON

- A. Consider approving the County to pursue the final \$22.8M of Parks Bonds, primarily for the construction of East Park, Patriots Park, and the Woodstock Trails.

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

Commissioner Johnston commented that they had agreed to name the park in Keithsburg Veteran's Park; however, Mr. Reynolds suggested that since that park is so far out that maybe they should consider transferring that name to the park they tentatively call East Park. He added that it would have some effect the design where there would be some sort of veteran's memorial that would be factored in if they were to make that decision. He stated he is not asking for any action on that and any action should probably start with the Recreation Advisory Board and let them bring it to the Board if they decide it to be appropriate.

- B. Consider acceptance of Deer Lane, in as-is condition, for County Maintenance; 0.33 miles.

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

COMMISSION DISTRICT 2

RAYMOND GUNNIN

COMMISSION DISTRICT 3

BRIAN POOLE

COMMISSION DISTRICT 4

JASON NELMS

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1.1 Requesting authorization to surplus one (1) County-owned Ricoh MP 3010 copier, Equipment ID # 10667652, from Judge Canon's Office.
- 1.2 Approval of donation of ten (10) LWRCI M6-G AR 15 Carbines to the Georgia State Patrol.

- 1.3 Approve submittal of grant application for Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for the Cherokee Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management.
- 1.4 Authorize budget amendment for the Sheriff's Office increasing the FY14 General Fund revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$11,430.00 for reimbursement and utility costs.
- 1.5 Authorize County Manager, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, to sign and accept the federal JAG grant contract in the amount of \$11,135 from the Department of Justice and approve Budget Amendment increasing the Multiple Grant Fund revenues and expenditures for FY14.
- 1.6 Permission to accept CJCC grant in the amount of \$70,000.00 to be used in the implementation of the Cherokee County Mental Health Court and approve Budget Amendment; there is no County match required.
- 1.7 Authorize Chairman, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, to sign and accept the federal grant contract in the amount of \$17,480 administered by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC), authorize Vicki Benefield to sign as the Authorized Official/Project Director and approve Budget Amendment increasing the Multiple Grant Fund revenues and expenditures for FY14.
- 1.8 Amendment: Approval of CJCC Accountability Court Grant J13-8-006 Supplemental Mini-Technology Grant Award and budget amendment in the amount of \$3,800.00. No match required.

Commissioner Nelms made a motion to approve; Commissioner Gunnin seconded; Commissioner Poole commented that in reference to item 1.2, the donation of guns to Georgia State Patrol, that he hopes a solution can be worked out for recruitment and retention of deputies. Mr. Cooper responded that he had met with Chief Deputy West and he is hopeful in developing a

plan of action; the Chairman recalled the motion and second; the resulting vote was for unanimous approval.

COUNTY MANAGER

2.1 Consider easement agreement for locating amenities in the right-of-way between Cherokee County and the BridgeMill Community Association, Inc.

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

2.2 Requesting award of bid in the amount of \$44,700.00 to the lowest bidder, Cummins Crushing and Recycling, for the crushing of concrete and asphalt waste material for Roads and Bridges.

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

2.3 Amendment: Notice of General Fund Millage Rate.

Chairman Ahrens stated that after the Work Session presentation and much discussion, for advertisement purposes, a target rate was needed to get the Public Hearing(s) published in the newspaper.

Commissioner Nelms made a motion to set the estimated rate for advertising purposes at 5.766. More discussion ensued and Commissioner Gunnin made the recommendation to go higher because you could always come down.

Commissioner Nelms withdrew his previous motion and made a motion to advertise the General Fund Millage Rate at 5.730; Commissioner Gunnin seconded and there was unanimous approval.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

ADJOURN

The Chairman asked if there was any further business. Hearing none, Commissioner Nelms made a motion to adjourn at 6:31 p.m.; Commissioner Gunnin seconded and the motion received unanimous approval.