

**CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS**  
Special Set Meeting Minutes

**Date:** September 12, 2015

**Meeting Location:** Cherokee County Conference Center at The Bluffs; Business Center

**Board Directors:**

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| Julie Cullins, Chairman | Present | Debra Frieden, Vice-Chairman | Present |
| Gil Howard, Director    | Present | John Seufert, Director       | Present |
| Phil Dodge, Director    | Present | Gaylen Roberts, Director     | Present |
| Natalie Green, Director | Present |                              |         |

**Others Present:**

J. Marshall "Buzz" Wehunt, CCBBoE Attorney of Record  
Laura Shoop, CCBBoE Secretary  
L. B. "Buzz" Ahrens, Chairman, Cherokee County Board of Commissioners, Guest  
Jerry W. Cooper, Cherokee County Board of Commissioners, Guest  
Robert Strozier, Cherokee County Recreation and Parks Advisory Board, Guest  
Pete Castello, Guest  
Brian Poole, District 3 Commissioner, Cherokee County Board of Commissioners, Guest  
Nate Cochran, Attorney for Brian Poole, Guest

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- **Chairman Cullins called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.**
  - **Pledge of Allegiance**  
  
Introduction of members of the CCBBoE and guests.
  - **Discussion Items:** Citizen Complaint brought by Mr. Andrew Flood of Heads Up Woodstock against Commissioner Brian Poole and response from Commissioner Poole  
  
Director John Seufert made a motion to open Executive Session, seconded by Natalie Green. Motion passed.

*Guests exited the room at approximately 10:35 a.m.*

--START EXECUTIVE SESSION--

--END EXECUTIVE SESSION--

*Brief break from 11:53 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.*

*Guests returned at 12:00 p.m.*

Chairman Cullins read the rules of procedure and announced the motion passed unanimously by the Board for the benefit of the guests:

“The Cherokee County Board of Ethics finds that the complaint against Commissioner Brian Poole filed by Mr. Andrew Flood on its face does not meet the requirements of a potential violation of Article II – Code of Ethics; however, the Board of Ethics will be issuing an advisory opinion strongly advising against the use of county emails for personal use.”

▪ **Next Meeting:**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting of 2015 will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Cherokee County Conference Center at The Bluffs.

▪ **Motion to Close:**

Director Howard made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Director Seufert. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.