

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION CENTRE, AL

MINUTES

The Cherokee County Commission met in regular session on the date specified below. Bills were reviewed and approved as per attached at month-end.

DATE:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
August 22, 2005	Lori J. Owens, District I Earl Westbrook, District II Elbert St. Clair, District III Kay Y. Chumbler, District IV J. Kirk Day, Chairman	None

The Chairman called the meeting to order and Tim Burgess opened with prayer.

1. Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda for the August 22, 2005 meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
2. Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Lori Owens to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2005 meeting as published. Passed 4-0.
3. Shane Woodham from the Alabama Forestry Commission addressed the Commission concerning the Arbor Day program. Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve \$350 in the annual budget for the Arbor Day Program. Passed 4-0.
4. Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Lori Owens to re-appoint Judy Russell to the Human Resources Board for a 6-year term expiring September 1, 2011. Passed 4-0.

Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Elbert St. Clair to re-appoint Jimmy Dean to the Human Resources Board for a 6-year term expiring September 1, 2011. Passed 4-0.
5. Motion by Kay Chumbler, second by Lori Owens to appoint Elizabeth Stafford to the Coosa Valley Youth Services Board for a 1- year term expiring September 1, 2006. Passed 4-0.
6. Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the elevator maintenance contract with ThyssenKrupp Elevator in the amount of \$1,400 for the Courthouse and the Administrative Center and allow the Chairman permission to sign for the commission. Passed 4-0.
7. The Chairman explained that the Airport Authority was seeking signature from the Chairman to sign the Piedmont – Centre – Cherokee County Regional Airport Grant Agreement. This is a committal for the county to fund the agreed upon percentage of matching funds. However no funds are due at this time. Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Lori Owens to allow the Chairman permission sign the Piedmont – Centre – Cherokee County Regional Airport Grant Agreement. Passed 4-0.
8. The Chairman discussed that while attending the open meetings law seminar that the ACCA provided a model of rules of procedures for public meetings. The chairman also expressed that he is still working on these rules of procedures and would like to have them adopted before the first meeting in October.
9. The Chairman wanted to inform the Commission of a meeting for public comments concerning the Little River Wildlife Refuge on August 30, 2005 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce Building. There will be another meeting on September 1, 2005 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Dekalb County Tourist Association. This meeting is in accordance with the National

Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The purpose is to prepare a General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the Little River National Preserve.

10. Commissioner Westbrook expressed concerns that he had concerning the possible sale of the Baptist Cherokee Hospital and that funds from the Roscoe Smith Estate for indigent care be preserved in the county. Commissioner Westbrook also expressed concerns over the 2 mill tax proceeds that benefit the hospital. No action was taken by the Commission at this time.

11. Motion by Earl Westbrook, second by Lori Owens to adjourn the meeting.
Passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Lori J. Owens, District I

J. Kirk Day, Chairman

Earl Westbrook, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Kay Y. Chumbler, District IV