

# 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:  
January 6, 2006

PRESENT:  
Lori J. Owens, District I

ABSENT:

Vacant due to the passing of  
Earl Westbrook, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III  
Kay Y. Chumbler, District IV  
J. Kirk Day, Chairman

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens:  
  
None Submitted
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:  
  
None Submitted
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:  
  
District I, Commissioner Owens – Present  
District II, Commissioner Westbrook – A Moment of Silence for in honor of the passing  
of Commissioner Earl Westbrook who deceased on January 2, 2006.  
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present  
District IV, Commissioner Chumbler – Present
5. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Lori Owens to approve the agenda as published for  
the January 9, 2006 meeting with one addition being item 7 in new business concerning  
the approval of the 2006 Exemption List for Solid Waste Pickup as submitted by the  
Health Department. Passed 3-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Wayne Cochran  
gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations:  
  
None Submitted
8. Motion by Kay Chumbler, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the minutes as  
published for the December 12, 2005 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.
9. Reports from Staff:  
  
County Administrator  
Tim Burgess, County Administrator explained to the Commission that the new  
boiler has been installed and working well in the Courthouse.

The Administrator also discussed the insurance renewal options for the January  
1, 2006 – December 31, 2006 renewal period. A total of four quotes were  
submitted. The four quotes were from the ACCA in the amount of \$120,416,  
Trident in the amount of \$131,941, St. Paul/Travelers Option 1 in the amount of  
\$127,716 and St. Paul/Travelers Option 2 in the amount of \$136,223. ACCA is a  
claims made policy and offers only liability coverage. Trident is the current  
carrier is an occurrence based policy and offers liability and property coverage.  
St. Paul/Travelers is comparable to Trident and Option 2 has higher limits.

Also, the administrator requested that a new computer system technician/administrative assistant position be created due to the increase in demand for computer information systems technology. The salary would be funded one-half by the commission and one-half by the reappraisal fund. Revenue Commissioner Johnny Roberts reported that the state revenue department has approved funding one-half of the salary through the reappraisal fund.

County Engineer

Roger Hall, County Engineer reported to that the Commission that there has been an increase in county road signs being stolen which could cause potential dangerous traffic situations. Mr. Hall made a plea to anyone who had knowledge of the occurrences to please contact proper authorities.

County Attorney – None Submitted.

County EMA Director

Beverly Daniel, EMA Director requested approval to seek bids for a Pre-disaster contract for debris removal from county property and right-of-ways in the event of disaster situations.

10. Old Business

None Submitted

11. New Business:

- A. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Kay Chumbler to adopt the calendar year 2006 Holiday Schedule. Passed 3-0.
- B. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kay Chumbler to renew property and liability insurance with Trident Insurance provided by the Rankin Agency in the amount of \$131,941 for the renewal period January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006. Passed 3-0.
- C. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve board appointment announcement for Etowah/Cherokee MR310 Board and receive resumes for one month period. Passed 3-0.
- D. Motion by Kay Chumbler, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the new employment position for Computer Systems Technician/Administrative Assistant with the understanding that one-half of the salary would be funded by the Commission and one-half would be funded by the reappraisal fund. Passed 3-0.
- E. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve moving the Community Action Office in the Courthouse into the office vacated by Department of Veterans' Affairs. Passed 3-0.
- F. Vickie Robinson from the Cherokee County Herald addressed the Commission requesting an advertisement. The commission took the request under advisement. No action taken.
- G. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the 2006 Exemption List for Solid Waste Pickup as submitted by the Health Department. Passed 3-0.

12. Public Hearings:

None Submitted

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Lori Owens spoke to the commission concerning the need for setting an agenda deadline so that items could be presented in a timely fashion. The deadline would be Wednesday 4:30 pm before the next regular Monday meeting unless in the event of an emergency and the agenda will be placed in the Commissioners box by Friday 12:00 noon before the regular Monday meeting. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the request. Passed 3-0.

14. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Lori Owens to adjourn. Passed 3-0.

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

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Lori J. Owens, District I

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J. Kirk Day, Chairman

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Vacant, District II

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Elbert St. Clair, District III

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Kay Y. Chumbler, District IV