

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:
February 13, 2006

PRESENT:
Lori J. Owens, District I

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

ABSENT:

Vacant due to the passing of
Earl Westbrook, District II

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.

2. Public Comment From Citizens:

None Submitted

3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials:

Revenue Commissioner John A. Roberts reported to the Commission that it was time to ask the county to approve the levy of ad valorem taxes as 42 mils for county and state and additional 5 mils for municipality for a total of 47 mils.

4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Owens – Present
District II, Vacant
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Chumbler – Present

5. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda as published for the February 13, 2006 meeting. Passed 3-0.

6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Tim Burgess gave the Invocation.

7. Awards and Presentations:

None Submitted

8. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kay Chumbler to approve the minutes as published for the January 23, 2006 regular meeting. Passed 3-0.

9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator

County Administrator Tim Burgess discussed with the Commission that two bids were submitted for the GIS Mapping System Hardware. E&M Services submitted a bid for \$33,084. Premise, Inc. submitted a bid for \$32,088. The recommendation is to award Premise, Inc. the low bid of \$32,088.

County Engineer – None Submitted.

County Attorney – None Submitted.

Library Board: Report from Library Board

Mrs. Doris Pearson reported to the Commission about the Cherokee County Library. The report discussed many topics about various projects. Mrs. Pearson praised the staff for their hard work. The discussion also included reports about the Genealogy department and computers. Mrs. Pearson also explained that the

conference room would be available after hours for a fee of \$25. She also encouraged individuals who have not been to the library to please come by.

The Chairman also announced that the commission is seeking resumes for the Cheaha Regional Library and Cherokee County Library for board appointments due. The target for appointments will be the first meeting in March 2006.

10. Old Business

None Submitted

11. New Business:

- A. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the County to levy ad valorem taxes for the year 2006 calculated as 42 mils for county and state and 5 mils for municipal for a total of 47 mils as provided by John A. Roberts, Revenue Commissioner. Passed 3-0.
- B. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Lori Owens to declare 6 dump trucks (CC83, CC84, CC505, CC506, CC507, CC508) as surplus and enter the equipment in the April 6&7 Richie Brothers Equipment Auction and declare small dump truck CC49 and Chevy S-10 CC67 as surplus and enter into the American Auctioneers February 2006 auction and authorize Chairman to sign documents for both sales. Passed 3-0.
- C. Motion by Kay Chumbler, second by Elbert St. Clair to award GIS Mapping System Hardware to Premise, Inc. (lowest bidder) in the amount of \$32,088. Passed 3-0.
- D. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve repair of Cherokee County Detention Center Fire Alarm Motherboard in the amount of \$2,776 to Seimens, Inc.. Passed 3-0.
- E. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to adopt Resolution specifying that the Sheriff of Cherokee County is to be considered a county official for the purposes of participating in the Retirement Systems of Alabama as read. Passed 3-0.
- F. The Chairman announced that no action would be taken at this time for appointing Library Board members due to the 30 day announcement period.

12. Public Hearings:

None Submitted

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners:

Commissioner Owens announced offices hours in the Cherokee County Administrative Center on Monday, February 27, 2006 from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

14. Executive Session:

- A. Preamble.
- B. Reason for Executive Session: Discussion with County Attorney – legal ramifications and legal options (Section 7a, 3 of Act 2005-40); in this case how it relates to 2 claims filed with the county.
- C. Statement from County Attorney Bill Hawkins that this is a valid reason under Alabama Law (Section 7a of Act 2005-40) to go into Executive Session.
- D. Motion by Kay Chumbler, second by Elbert St. Clair to go into Execution Session.
- E. Roll Call Vote:
 - Commissioner Owens – Yes
 - Commissioner St. Clair – Yes
 - Commissioner Chumbler – Yes

F. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to re-enact the rules and reconvene to continue with items left on the agenda. Passed 3-0. The Chairman explained that the County Attorney needed to gather additional information and the Commission would not have an action on the matter at this time.

15. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Kay Chumbler to adjourn meeting. Passed 3-0.

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

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Vacant, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Kay Y. Chumbler, District IV