

CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSION

CENTRE, ALABAMA

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:
March 10, 2008	Lori J. Owens, District I Kimball Parker, District II Elbert St. Clair, District III Carlton Teague, District IV Melvyn Salter, Chairman	

1. The Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Public Comment From Citizens: None
3. Public Comment from other Elected Officials: None
4. Roll Call to Establish Quorum:

District I, Commissioner Owens – Present
District II, Commissioner Parker – Present
District III, Commissioner St. Clair – Present
District IV, Commissioner Teague – Present

5. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve the agenda as published for the March 10, 2008 meeting with the following additions. Item #11 to approve plans for the new Highway Department Building and permission to put out to bid, item #12 allowing Chairman permission to contact the Justice Department to change polling places from Valley Church to the Blanche Community Center and item #13 giving consideration to the project presented in the planning session in terms of the Cooperative Improvement District to be referred to the attorneys at which time and based on their opinion the Commission would take further action. Passed 4-0.
6. The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Kimball Parker gave the Invocation.
7. Awards and Presentations: None
8. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Kimball Parker to approve the minutes as published for the February 25, 2008 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.
9. Reports from Staff:

County Administrator Tim Burgess – Made comments concerning professional floor cleaning quotes. Also spoke to the Commission about Sales Tax Collection for the County.

County Engineer Corey Chambers– None Submitted

County Attorney Bill Hawkins– None Submitted

County Sheriff Jeff Shaver – Updated the Commission about how Tasers have helped local law enforcement.

Northeast Alabama Water – Mr. Johnny Jordan spoke to the commission concerning the water coalition and their efforts to compile a list of needs to deliver to Senator Shelby and Congressman Rogers. Also, Mr. Jordan stated that this coalition is meeting on a monthly basis and encouraged everyone to conserve water when possible. His comments were presented at the end of the meeting before adjournment.

10. Public Meetings: None Submitted
11. Old Business: None Submitted

12. New Business:

- A. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to award the Road Reclaimer Rental to Thompson Tractor Co. (lowest responsible bidder) at a monthly rental rate of \$14,100. The bid shall be valid from March 10, 2008 through December 31, 2008. Bids were read to the Commission by County Engineer Corey Chambers. Passed 4-0.
- B. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to declare 7 Freightliner Trucks (CC# 528, CC# 529, CC# 530, CC# 531, CC# 532, CC# 533, and CC# 534) as surplus property and award contract with DEANCO Auction Company to sell trucks in auction and authorize Chairman to sign agreement as requested by the Highway Department. Passed 4-0.
- C. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve a lease agreement with BANCORPSOUTH EQUIPMENT FINANCE for seven (7) 2008 Freightliner Trucks as requested by the Highway Department and permission for Chairman to sign documents. Passed 4-0.
- D. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve a lease agreement with BANCORPSOUTH EQUIPMENT FINANCE as per 2007/2008 equipment budget as requested by the Highway Department and permission for Chairman to sign documents. Passed 4-0.
- E. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve Excess Land Redemption to Robbie Davis in the amount of \$113.64. Passed 4-0.
- F. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Lori Owens to approve Quality Cleaning Company to clean floors in the administrative building per attached specifications at an annual rate of \$7,450. Passed 4-0.
- G. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adopt Resolution for National County Government Week April 6-12, 2008. Passed 4-0.
- H. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Carlton Teague to appoint members to the Industrial Development Board. The appointments and terms were presented by the Chairman as being Thereasa Hulgán - 2014, Donnie Free - 2010, Tim Burgess - 2012, Chad Hopper - 2012, Lowell Hamilton - 2010. Passed 4-0.
- I. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Lori Owens to approve to change polling place from Leesburg Fire Hall to Leesburg Church of God of Prophecy. The Chairman stated that this is a request from the citizens and must meet approval by the church. Passed 4-0.
- J. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Kimball Parker to approve to change polling place from Ellisville Fire Hall to Union Congregational Holiness Church. Passed 4-0.
- K. Motion by Kimball Parker, second by Elbert St. Clair to approve plans for the Highway Department building and permission to advertise for bids. Passed 4-0.
- L. Motion by Carlton Teague, second by Elbert St. Clair to allow the Chairman to contact the Justice Department about moving a polling place from the Valley Church to the Blanche Community Center. Passed 4-0.
- M. Motion by Lori Owens, second by Carlton Teague to give consideration to a petition to the incorporation of the Cherokee County Tourism and Environmental District. The Commission will seek legal counsel to advise on determining what action, if any, needs to be taken. Passed 4-0.

13. Discussion Items by Commissioners: None Submitted

14. Motion by Elbert St. Clair, second by Kimball Parker to adjourn 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

Melvyn Salter, Chairman

Kimball Parker, District II

Elbert St. Clair, District III

Carlton Teague, District IV