

A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
CHEROKEE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
January 2, 2018

The Cherokee County Board of Commissioners held a regular scheduled meeting in the Commissioners Boardroom, also known as Multi-Purpose Room 342, of the Cherokee County Courthouse in Murphy, North Carolina on the 2th day of January, 2018 at 6:30 o'clock p.m.

The following Commissioners were present for the meeting: Dr. Dan Eichenbaum, Chairman; Gary Westmoreland, Vice-Chair; C.B. McKinnon, member; Cal Stiles, member; and Roy Dickey, member. Also present were the following: Randy Wiggins, County Manager; Candy Anderson, Finance Director; and, R. Scott Lindsay, County Attorney and Assistant Clerk.

Media present: Cherokee Scout, Local TV4, and FetchYourNews.com. DVD copies of commission meetings may be purchased at Local TV4.

The invocation was given by Sheriff Palmer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all.

**Agenda Modification:** None

**Agenda Adoption:**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland. Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Forum:** There were no public comments.

**Finance and Budget:**

- A Motion was made by Commissioner McKinnon to approve a budget revision for security software for the detention center. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Westmoreland to approve a budget revision for use of schools sales tax for various projects. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to approve a budget revision for repairs to an ambulance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously.

Budget revisions are available for public inspection, in the office of the Finance Director.

## **New Business:**

- A Motion was made by Commissioner Westmoreland to approve the tax releases. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed unanimously.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to approve the Tax Refund Report. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland. Motion passed unanimously.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner McKinnon to approve the NCVTS report. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmoreland. Motion passed unanimously.
- After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Eichenbaum to approve the amended resolution to adopt the Updated Smoky Mountain Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion seconded by Commissioner McKinnon. Motion passed unanimously.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to approve an economic development funding resolution for Team Industries, Inc. Motion seconded by Commissioner McKinnon. Motion passed unanimously.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner McKinnon to approve an economic development funding resolution for MINECO. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Westmoreland to approve a resolution for the lease of the Hiwassee Valley Pool and Wellness Center. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Voting in favor of the Motion was Commissioner Westmoreland, Dickey, McKinnon, and Eichenbaum. Voting against the Motion was Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Westmoreland to approve a lease agreement between Cherokee County and Hiwassee Valley Pool and Wellness Center, LLC. Motion seconded by Commissioner McKinnon. Voting in favor of the Motion was Commissioner Westmoreland, McKinnon, Dickey, and Eichenbaum. Voting against the Motion was Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner McKinnon to approve the dissolution of the Hiwassee Valley Pool and Wellness Center Board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Voting in favor of the Motion was Commissioner McKinnon, Dickey, Westmoreland, and Eichenbaum. Voting against the Motion was Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner McKinnon to rescind the Hiwassee Valley Pool and Wellness Center Management. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Voting in favor of the Motion was Commissioner McKinnon, Dickey, Westmoreland, and Eichenbaum. Voting against the Motion was Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed.
- A Motion was made by Commissioner McKinnon to adopt the revised Solid Waste Ordinance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Voting in favor of the Motion was Commissioner McKinnon, Dickey, Westmoreland, and Eichenbaum. Voting against the Motion was Commissioner Stiles. Motion passed.

## **County Manager Items:**

After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Dickey to move the January 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting to January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Motion seconded by Commissioner McKinnon. Motion passed unanimously.

**Commissioner Items:**

Commissioner Stiles commented that the economic development investments bring taxes to Cherokee County.

**Closed Session:**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to go into closed session, pursuant to §143-318.11 (a) (1) to discuss a personnel matter. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously.

During closed session, Sheriff Palmer, Detention Administrator Mark Patterson, and Assistant Detention Administrator Jeremy Bresch came before the board to request an hourly pay increase for detention officers.

After returning to open session, the board took no action on the matter discussed in closed session.

**Adjourn:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, a Motion was made by Commissioner McKinnon to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dickey. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 o'clock p.m.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON FEBRUARY 5, 2018.