

A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE
CHEROKEE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
June 20, 2014

Preamble to Minutes read by Chairman McKinnon: "Members of the County Board of Commissioners are advised, hereby, of their duty under the Local Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of such conflict; and, further, are instructed to refrain from participating in any matter coming before this Board of County Commissioners with respect to which there is a conflict of interest or appearance of such conflict".

A Special Called Meeting of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners was held in the Commissioners Boardroom, also known as Multi-Purpose Room 342, of the Cherokee County Courthouse in Murphy, North Carolina on the 20th day of June, 2014 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. The purpose of the meeting was for the FY14-15 budget adoption and approval of the year-end budget amendment.

The following Commissioners were present for the meeting: C.B. McKinnon, Chairman; Lorraine M. Meltz, Vice-Chair; Cal Stiles, member; Steve Jordan, member; and David Wood, member. Also present were the following: Randy Wiggins, County Manager; R. Scott Lindsay, County Attorney/Clerk to the Board; and, Candy Roberts Anderson, County Finance Director.

The Chairman presided and the Clerk kept the Minutes.

The County Manager presented the FY 14-15 budget ordinance. A Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to adopt the budget ordinance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Voting in favor of the Motion was Commissioners Stiles, McKinnon, Jordan and Meltz. Voting against the Motion was Commissioner Wood.

The County Finance Director presented the FY14 year-end budget amendment. A Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to approve the amendment. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wood. Motion passed unanimously.

Since all board members were in attendance, the board discussed two additional items:

Mrs. Ellen Stephens, president of the Cherokee County Saddle Club, came before the board to request the removal of materials previously delivered to the Nora Starks Horse Arena at the Mountain Folk Center. The county had previously purchased material for the arena, but Mrs. Stephens said that after the material was spread that it was not the appropriate size for their need. She said that the material delivered, contained medium and large-sized rocks, and it needed to be small, sand-like particles. She asked for permission to let someone remove the material, and take the material for payment of removal. Mr. Wiggins said that since the material was purchased by the county that they could not allow someone to remove it, but that he would work with the landfill staff to get it pushed out of the way, until the county determines another use for it.

Commissioner Stiles said that since the board could not give raises or a cost of living allowance this budget year that he would like to give the employees a one-time bonus. After discussion, a Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles to give full-time and permanent part-time employees a bonus, to be paid in July. Motion seconded by Commissioner McKinnon. Voting in favor of the Motion was Commissioners Stiles, McKinnon, Jordan and Meltz. Voting against the Motion was Commissioner Wood.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a Motion was made by Commissioner Meltz to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wood. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 o'clock p.m.



C.B. McKinnon, Chairman



R. Scott Lindsay, Clerk to the Board