

**CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION COMMISSION
MEETING**
Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs Office
208 E. Allen Road, Tahlequah, Oklahoma
December 2, 2014 – 9:00 AM

PRESENT:

Commissioner: Dr. Lynna Carsoon
Commissioner: Ed Fite
Commissioner: J. Blake Fletcher
Commissioner: Jack Spears

APPROVED
DATE 1-6-15

ABSENT:

Commissioner: Dr. Marty Matlock

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Tom Elkins, CNEP
Jackie Woodward, CNEP
Fan Robinson, CNWM
Pat Gwin, CN Admin Support
Michael Miley, CNEP
Wayne Isaacs, CNEP
Dwayne Fain, CN Risk Mgmt
Sonja Glory, CN OAG
Joe Washum, CNB

1. Meeting called to order by Commissioner Fite at 9:13 AM.
2. Commissioner Fite acknowledged and placed into record the Record of Public Notice and Agenda, distributed and posted.
3. Commissioner Fletcher made a Motion to approve the minutes from the October 7, 2014 and October 28, 2014 meetings, seconded by Commissioner Spears, roll call vote, minutes approved.
4. Public Comments – None.
5. Reports
 - A. EPC & Environmental Programs & NEPA projects for Realty, IHS, NAHASDA, Roads-Tom Elkins
 - Provided information regarding fiscal year 2015 budgets and the EPA Summit
 - Addressed issues regarding the Joint Commission Study on the Illinois River
 - B. Administration Support-Pat Gwin
 - Dialogue has began with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians regarding the Seed Bank, they helped us get started and we have far surpassed their activity. Official Cherokee plants will be identified in the next couple of months.
 - C. Cherokee Nation Businesses-Joe Washum
 - Provided an update on the redesign of Outpost I including remediation.
 - Advised the Commission of some improperly stored items in a building at Roland, the area was cleaned and items were properly stored and/or disposed by Sooner Emergency Services.

D. Emergency Management-Dwayne Fain

- Provided a brief overview of report activities

E. Natural Resources

- No representative attending the meeting

6. Cherokee Nation Sanitary Landfill-Fan Robinson

- Commissioner Fite provided an overview of the meeting with the Secretary of State. Topics discussed included developing a new permit, establishing the working surface of the landfill, and the financial future of the landfill.
- Mr. Elkins noted the items needing addressed on the compliance schedule, Title V air permit, gas system and NDPEs.
- Mr. Woodward provided issue regarding a compliance item regarding cover. Ms. Robinson stated that she would ask Jamie to provide a written report. Discussions ensued regarding means of communication regarding compliance issues and monthly reporting formats/procedures/processes.
- Commissioner Fite asked if the Compliance Schedule needed a vote to amend, approve or table. Mr. Elkins stated that Chairman Matlock took that off the board when he stated that it would be in the Permit. Commissioner Fite noted that this be noted on record.

7. Attorney General Issues-Sonja Glory for Sara Hill

- Ms. Glory reported that Ms. Hill would be at the next meeting. Commissioner Fite stated that the Solid Waste statutes and other environmental statutes need re-written as soon as possible. Mr. Elkins stated that the RFP is posted and may have a vendor selected by the first of the calendar year which will include implementation regulations. Ms. Robinson asked that Ms. Glory request a response from Attorney General Hembree and a letter dated in August 2014.

8. New Business-the next regularly scheduled EPC meeting will be on January 6, 2015 at 9:00 AM. OSRC meets Tuesday, December 9, 2014, at 5:30 PM at the Armory. Dr. King will be in attendance. The next CNWM board meeting is December 11, 2014 at 10:00 AM at the landfill.

9. Adjournment-Commissioner Fite made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Carson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Meeting adjourned.