

**CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION COMMISSION
MEETING**
Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs Office
208 E. Allen Road, Tahlequah, Oklahoma
January 6, 2015 – 9:00 AM

APPROVED

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Cherokee Nation
Environmental Protection Commission

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Commissioner: Dr. Marty Matlock

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Tom Elkins, CNEP
Jackie Woodward, CNEP
Pat Gwin, CN Admin Support
Wayne Isaacs, CNEP
Dwayne Fain, CN Risk Mgmt
Joe Washum, CNB
Jamie Clinton, CNWM
Kathy Nelson, CNNR
Nancy John, CNEP
Cohl Fowler, Gov. Relations

1. Meeting called to order by Commissioner Fite at 9:00 AM.
2. Commissioner Fite acknowledged and placed into record the Record of Public Notice and Agenda, distributed and posted.
3. Commissioner Spears made a Motion to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2014 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fletcher, roll call vote, minutes approved.
4. Public Comments – None
5. Reports
 - A. EPC & Environmental Programs & NEPA projects for Realty, IHS, NAHASDA, Roads-Tom Elkins
 - Updated the Commission on the RFP for the revision of the Environmental Code
 - Provided information on the upcoming Inter-Tribal Council meeting and a proposed resolution. CNEP is offering HAZWOPR refresher training on January 28th
 - B. Administration Support-Pat Gwin
 - Informed the Commission that CN has issued two (2) letters to the Fish & Wildlife Service regarding the Endangered Species Act. U.S. Fish & Wildlife have agreed to meet with CN.
 - Working on climate change policies
 - C. Cherokee Nation Businesses-Joe Washum
 - South Coffeyville project is expected to be complete in February
 - Waiting on architects cost estimate for the redesign of Outpost I

D. Emergency Management-Dwayne Fain

- Risk Management assessment for grant has been completed
- EOP update of annexes is progressing
- Discussed emergency preparations and coordination with State

E. Natural Resources – Kathy Nelson

- No additional information to report

6. Cherokee Nation Sanitary Landfill-Jamie Clinton

- Commissioner Fite noted that the Load Inspection/Screening reports were not included in the report. Mr. Clinton stated that there was a mix-up on what was sent, they should have them they were just not included in the report. Commissioner Fite requested the reports be sent a couple of days earlier if possible, work out the details with Ms. John.
- Mr. Elkins informed the Commissioners that a new chicken house is proposed north of Candy Mink and Jenkins Creek. Noted that the area was a floodplain.
- Mr. Woodward stated there were no compliance issues but the leachate pond level is rising quickly. Current level is 30 inches from the top and 24” is the regulatory limit. Discussions ensued regarding leachate.
- Discussions ensued regarding the financial status of the landfill.

7. Attorney General Issues - None

8. New Business – None

9. Announcement of upcoming meetings and events – OWRB Rulemaking meeting/public hearing on January 20 on water quality standards. In-stream flow meeting on January 22 in Tahlequah. The next regularly scheduled EPC meeting will be held on February 3, 2015 at 9:00 AM.

10. Meeting adjourned.