

**CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION COMMISSION
MEETING**
Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs Office
208 E. Allen Road, Tahlequah, Oklahoma
May 3, 2016 – 9:00 AM

PRESENT:

Commissioner: Dr. Marty Matlock, Chairman
Commissioner: Ed Fite
Commissioner: Dr. Lynna Carson
Commissioner: J. Blake Fletcher
Commissioner: Jack Spears

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Cherokee Nation
Environmental Protection Commission

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Tom Elkins, CNEP
Joe Washum, CNB
Fan Robinson, CNWM
Wayne Issacs, CNEP
Chad Harsha, CNAG
Ira Heights, EPA
Shaun West, CNEP
Jackie Woodward, CNEP
Pat Gwin, CN Admin Support
Nancy John, CNEP
Salli McLemore, CNEP
Laura Adair, CNEP
Sara Hill, SONR

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Matlock at 9:10 AM.
2. Commissioner Matlock acknowledged and placed into record the Record of Public Notice and Agenda, distributed and posted as appropriate.
3. Commissioner Spears made a Motion to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2016 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Carson, roll call vote, minutes approved.
4. Public Comments – None
5. Secretary of Natural Resources – Sara Hill –
 - A. Water Plan Update - none at this time
 - B. Discussion and Opportunity for Comments – Secretary Hill provided a report summarizing the following:
 - Secretary Hill spoke about Zika.
6. Reports
 - A. EPC & Environmental Programs & NEPA projects for Realty, IHS, NAHASDA Roads-Tom Elkins
 - Environmental Festival was successful
 - B. Administration Support- Pat Gwin
 - The Tribe is developing its Zika effort and response.

- Pat Gwin was meeting with IHS on May 3rd.

C. Cherokee Nation Businesses - Joe Washum

- Total retention lagoons for Will Rogers Downs were sent out for construction bids yesterday. We are signing the contracts and getting started. The City of Claremore is happy. They are paying for an upgrade in the lines so they can add customers.
- All of the drafted agreements for the sewage and waterlines that will run across the bridge have been sent to The City of Grove for the Grove Casino site. At the Utility and Commission meeting, they all agreed that was something The City of Grove should pursue. The attorneys are working out the verbiage and hopefully they will be signed soon.
- Mr. Washum updated everyone about what was being done to The Outpost Convenience Store.

D. Emergency Management – Jeremie Fisher

- Representative was not in attendance to report

E. Natural Resources- G. V. Gulager

- Representative was not in attendance to report

7. Cherokee Nation Sanitary Landfill-

A. Report

Fan Robinson reported the following:

- The money from the contaminated soil from the Outpost has helped the landfill take care of maintenance on equipment.
- The staff is doing preparation work for the new cell. They plan to rent equipment with the money made from the contaminated soil to help get the cell finished sooner.

B. Compliance Issues

- Blowing litter and intermediate cover are still an issue. They plan to pick up the litter and take care of intermediate cover when the rain clears.

8. Environmental Statute Review – Tom Elkins

- There is no further work

9. Inventory of Lagoons – Tom Elkins

- There are current plans for repairing the lagoons at Cherry Tree.
- Commissioner Matlock would like to know who owns the Miami Lagoon.

10. New Business –

- No new business

12. Announcement of upcoming meetings and events

- Flood plain 101 training Wednesday May 4, 2016
- Illinois River Joint Committee Meeting Monday June 6, 2016
- Next EPC meeting will be June 7, 2016.
- Landfill board meeting Wednesday May 4, 2016

13. Meeting adjourned