CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

Cherokee Nation Environmental Protection Office 208 E. Allen Road, Tahlequah, OK April 2, 2013

PRESENT:

Commissioner: Dr. Marty Matlock, Chairman, via conference phone

Commissioner: Ed Fite

Commissioner: J. Blake Fletcher

DATE 5/14/13

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Tom Elkins, CNEP
Doug Bane, CNWM
Sara Hill, CN Office of AG
Dwayne Fain, CNEM
Shaun West, CNEP
Laura Adair, CNEP
Jackie Woodward, CNEP
Ryan Callison, CNEP
Pat Gwin, CN Admin. Support
Bob Short, CNEP
David Roberts, CN Mgmt Res.
Will Chavez, CN Publications

- 1. Meeting called to order by Commissioner Fite at 9:30 AM.
- 2. Commissioner Fite acknowledged and placed into the record the Record of Public Notice.
- 3. Commissioner Fite noted that Commissioners Carson and Spears were absent and made a Motion to approve the minutes from the March 5, 2013 meeting. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the Motion. A roll call vote was taken and minutes were approved.

4 Public Comment

Ms. Hill thanked the Commission for attending the Water Conference, therefore there will not be a report on the Water Plan due to the update received last week at the Water Conference. The Commission thanked the team for organizing the 2013 Water Conference.

5. Reports

- A. EPC & Environmental Programs & NEPA projects for Realty, IHS, NAHASDA, Roads No additional information to add to the written report. Landfill issues will be addressed later in the meeting.
- B. <u>Administration Support</u> In addition to the report, noted that the DOI AML (Department of Interior Abandoned Mines Lands program) strip pit reclamation project was almost complete and demobilization from site will be in the next sixty days. In regards to the larger strip pit at Sallisaw Creek DOI AML project, the bids will be going out next week, and plans were provided.
- C. <u>Cherokee Nation Businesses</u> No representation from CNB to report.
- D. <u>Emergency Management</u> In addition to the report, grants are being worked on and exercises are planned in the near future. ITEMC Conference will be held in June.
- E. <u>Natural Resources Department</u> Mr. Roberts stated that he did not have any information to present. Tom and Ryan please coordinate with Mr. Roberts and inform him of information needed for future EPC meetings.

- 6. Cherokee Nation Sanitary Landfill
 - A. Report Mr. Bane stated that the landfill is having continuing compliance problem with the general cover conditions on slopes. Delivery of a haul truck was taken yesterday that has been rented from Warren Cat which will hopefully take care of this problem in the next couple of weeks.
 - B. Compliance Issues Mr. Woodward stated there is an issue with cover as described by Mr. Bane.
 - C. Status of Non-Compliance Policy Mr. Elkins requested that the policy be expanded on non-compliance and a procedure be established. There was a request for this item to be tabled which was approved by the Commission. Chairman Matlock just wants this issue to be moving forward. Mr. Elkins will work with Chairman Matlock on the policy.
- 7. Cherokee Nation Water Plan
 - A. Discussion no additional information to report.
 - B. Comments none.
- 8. New Business Mr. Elkins reminded everyone of the Environmental Festival to be held on April 12, 2013 at the CN Complex area. Mr. Bane stated that the Landfill would be participating in OK Trash Off, free day at the Landfill on April 20th and assisted Stilwell with a preliminary trash off with a contest of non-profit groups on who could pick up the most bags of trash on the roadsides, 492 bags of trash were hauled to the landfill free of charge. The Rock Springs Baptist Church won the contest, they picked up 152 bags of trash off a 10 mile section of road.
- 9. Announcement of upcoming meetings and events The next EPC meeting will be held on May 7, 2013 at the regularly scheduled time and location.
- 10. Meeting adjourned.