

**CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION**  
**Cherokee Nation Landfill**  
**November 15, 2012**

**PRESENT:**

Commissioner: Marty Matlock, Chairman  
Commissioner: Lynna Carson

**STAFF AND GUESTS:**

Shawn West, CNEP  
Nancy John, CNEP  
Jackie Woodward, CNEP  
Doug Bane, CNWM  
Diane Hammons, CNWM Attorney  
Bob Murray, MTG Engineers  
Frankie Hargis, CNTC  
Ken Purdy, Chairman of CNWM Board of Directors  
Carlile Roberts, CNWM Board of Directors  
Randall Allen, Warren CAT  
Landfill Staff (did not sign in)  
Members of General Public (did not sign in)  
Sherry Greathouse, CNWM  
Sara Hill, CN Office of Attorney General

**APPROVED**  
**DATE** 12/4/12

1. Joint meeting with CNWM was first called to order by Ken Purdy, CNWM Chairman and then allowed the EPC meeting to be called to order by Commissioner Matlock at 11:11 AM.
2. Commissioner Matlock acknowledged and placed into the record the Record of Public Notice. Commissioner Matlock turned the meeting over to Chairman Purdy to continue with the CNWM meeting agenda.
3. General Discussion – Cherokee Nation Sanitary Landfill
  - (a) CNWM Board of Directors approved the minutes from their last meeting.
  - (b) There were no public comments.
  - (c) Doug Bane provided the landfill report and marketing update. Daily tonnage held at 229 tons/day on an average during the reporting period. Mr. Bane reported that there no compliance issues noted at the EPC meeting on November 6, 2012. Mr. Bane reported that the engineering review did start the previous week and it was recommended that a spill prevention control plan was needed and the dike on the stormwater pond at outfall #1 needed to be raised. The engineering review/report will be available in approximately 6 weeks. An excavator and bulldozer were bid out and Mr. Bane will provide a bid summary to the CNWM Board and a recommendation for the purchase after he has conducted inspections of the machines.
  - (d) Interim financial reports were also provided for review to the CNWM Board and a motion approved to accept the report.
  - (e) Landfill Gas Collection System remains on hold.
  - (f) There were no items for discussion in Executive Session
  - (g) New Business – Commissioner Matlock stated that this joint meeting was to initiate a formal dialogue with the CNWM Board of Directors in order to have a better communication framework.

A local trash hauler was recognized and allowed to comment. He had concerns regarding the future operations of the landfill. This individual was concerned about whether to take an opportunity to expand his business but this was contingent on the landfill remaining in operation. He asked what the future status of the landfill was to both the CNWM Board and EPC

Commissioners. Commissioner Matlock responded by saying the EPC's perspective was to support the mission of the landfill as an economic driver for the local community. Chairman Purdy stated that there is an administrative review currently underway of the landfill operation. CNWM, the business entity that oversees the landfill operation, has presented a long range development plan that presents a viable plan for the long term operation of this facility which is projected out for 25 years. CNWM Board's expectation for the landfill operation is to continue business relationships with businesses and to continue to operate the landfill in compliance with the regulatory requirements and the environmental parameters under the EPC's responsibility. Chairman Purdy stated that the Board understood the impacts on local entities and costs that would be incurred to travel longer distances for other trash disposal options.

The individual representing the trash hauling business commented that he has noticed and appreciates Cherokee Nation's commitment to clean up the road side dumps.

- (h) CNWM's next meeting will be scheduled for 10:00 AM on January 17, 2013 at the City of Tahlequah Armory Municipal Center.
  - (i) CNWM Board of Directors made a motion to adjourn, motion passed meeting adjourned.
- 4 Commissioner Matlock made a motion to adjourn, motion passed, meeting adjourned.