

CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION
Cherokee Nation Environmental Protection Office
208 E. Allen Road, Tahlequah, OK
July 5, 2011

PRESENT:

Commissioner: Marty Matlock via conference call
Commissioner: Ed Fite

APPROVED
DATE 8/2/11

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Nancy John, CNEP
Laura Adair, CNEP
Jackie Woodward, CNEP
Dwayne Fain, CNEM
Billy Hix, CN Environ Health & Engineering
Chris Sams, CN Environ Health & Engineering
Sara Hill, CN Office of AG
Curtis Snell, CN Tribal Councilor
Greg Butcher, Guest, Kenwood Water District
Brad Cooper, Guest, Kenwood Water District

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. Introductions by all meeting attendees.
3. Commissioner Matlock made a Motion to approve the minutes from the June 7, 2011 meeting. Commissioner Fite seconded the Motion, roll call vote. Minutes approved.
4. Public Comment – CN Councilor Snell commented on the water project in Little Kansas/Leach. Mr. Hix provided additional information on this topic. Councilor Snell asked Mr. Hix about signage in Lowrey that reads Cherokee Nation Water Department and the true ownership of the water department. Mr. Hix clarified that Cherokee Nation does not own the water department.
5. Reports
 - A. EPC & Environmental Programs & NEPA projects for Realty, IHS, NAHASDA, Roads – Mr. Elkins was not present, no additional information to report per Ms. John.
 - B. Natural Resources Department - Mr. Gwin was not present, no additional information to report.
 - C. Cherokee Nation Entertainment – Mr. Fields was not present, no additional information to report.
 - D. Emergency Management – Mr. Fain reported that a report was not developed and that they have been working with Delaware County, FEMA & CNE on prior disaster events. Discussions ensued regarding floodplain management.
6. Cherokee Nation Sanitary Landfill
 - A. Report & Compliance Issues– Mr. Bane was not present, no questions regarding the report. Mr. Woodward stated that the leachate freeboard is still an issue.
7. Discussion and action on proposed Consent Order to Kenwood Water District – Discussions ensued regarding the proposed consent order referencing findings and timeframes. Item C should read 60 days, Item C should read 180 days, Item F has been changed to 365 days. Mr. Hix stated that Kenwood Water District received an email from EPA stated that a new Consent Order had been prepared after a conference call. Ms. Hill recommends that the Commission adopt EPA's proposed and revised Consent Order. Commissioner Matlock made a Motion to approve EPA's revised Order,

as a Cherokee Nation Consent Order, yielding final review to Assistant Attorney General Hill after review and concurrence by Mr. Hix and Kenwood Water District. Motion seconded by Commissioner Fite. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

8. New Business – None.
9. Announcement of upcoming meetings and events – The next EPC meeting date is August 2, 2011 at 9:30 AM. River clean up is September 9. The Illinois River Watershed partnership will host a Four State Water Conference on August 28-29 at the Siloam Springs Casino. August 12 is a 4-H Float Trip from Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma & Missouri.
10. Adjournment – Commissioner Matlock made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Fite, meeting adjourned.