

RESOURCE RECOVERY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

(RRDA)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2014

8:00 a.m.

**CHEROKEE COUNTY ADMIN COMPLEX
CHEROKEE HALL**

MINUTES

Buzz Ahrens as acting Chair called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m. RRDA members were present including Buzz Ahrens, Harry Johnston, Raymond Gunnin and Jason Nelms. Note that Robert Morrison was absent. Also present were County Manager Jerry Cooper, County Clerk Christy Black, and members of the media and public.

1. Nominate Chairman for the RRDA.

BOC Chairman Ahrens stated for the record that at the last Board of Commissioners meeting on February 18, 2014 the following commissioners were appointed to the RRDA: Harry Johnston, Jason Nelms, Raymond Gunnin and Buzz Ahrens. He then stated that he was acting Chair, and asked for nominations to elect a Chair. Commissioner Johnston nominated BOC Chair Buzz Ahrens; Commissioner Nelms seconded. No other nominations were received. The resulting vote was unanimous approval 3-0 with Buzz Ahrens abstaining.

2. Consider execution of Letter of Interest and Rental Agreement as approved by the Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, February 18, 2014.

Chairman Ahrens stated that the special meeting was called to consider executing documents as approved by the Board of Commissioners on February 18, 2014 as recommended by the past RRDA Board at their

meeting on February 17, 2014. He said that after 11:00 p.m. last night they received an additional redraft/redline version of both documents and added that those documents were before them today. He asked for any discussion.

Commissioner Gunnin said that he read as much of it as he could last night at the late hour. He said that there are things in it that need to be looked at and he doesn't feel a decision should be made at this time.

Commissioner Nelms commented that Mr. Cooper had not had time to digest the revisions. He said he'd like to allow time for Mr. Cooper to prepare a summary comparing the two versions. He added that this is a big deal and if we move too fast on a decision, we may make the wrong decision.

Commissioner Johnston stated that he was not in support of the agreement anyway, so he's happy for a delay, particularly now that it has several revisions. He added that there was still a question as to compliance with the bonds related to tax abatement on transferred equipment. Chairman Ahrens agreed with that.

Chairman Ahrens said that to summarize what he thinks he's hearing is that we should defer any action and not vote up or down today.

Chairman Ahrens made the suggestion in form of a motion to defer action and to not set a target date for a decision, adding that they may consider a joint meeting at a future BOC meeting for consideration of agreements; Commissioner Nelms seconded and there was unanimous approval.

Chairman Ahrens then made the comment that at a future meeting, joint or otherwise, the Board may wish to consider the draft of best practices from the former RRDA Board and the BOC Rules of Procedure as topics for this body to consider.

Adjourn

Chairman Ahrens asked Mr. Cooper or and the RRDA if they had anything to discuss. Hearing none, Commissioner Nelms made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 a.m.; Commissioner Gunnin seconded and there was unanimous approval.