

September 23, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners of Creek County (BOCC) met in Emergency Session on Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 1:30 p.m., date and time duly posted.

Item #1: Meeting was called to order at 1:30 a.m. by Chairman, Newt Stephens Jr. Roll Call Stephens present, Warner present, Whitehouse - present.

Item #2: Statement of compliance with open meetings act-Chairman.

Item #3: Motion was made by Warner and seconded by Whitehouse to sign **Resolution#2021-128** implementing a five day Burn Ban for Creek County, effective immediately. Covey Murray, Emergency Management spoke to the Board about the drier conditions that Creek County is experiencing. A small portion of the county is in severe drought conditions and the rest is in the moderate category. There have been three fires since Monday, September 20, 2021, in the Drumright/Olive area. The Board and Murray reviewed the requirements that the county must meet, we meet all today stated Stephens. Murray stated I am only asking for a five day burn ban, and re-evaluate on Monday. I have contacted all fire departments, we had one no from Mounds, and eleven yes. Three departments did not respond, Milfay, Silver City and Oilton. Whitehouse stated he has spoken to Milfay and they stated if it gets drier, we might have to in-state one. With the weekend heat indexes and current drought conditions forecasted for this weekend, I think we need to implement the ban stated the Board. There are chances of rain next week, hopefully we will receive some rain to help in the matter. Murray discussed that this states there is to be no open flames, like burning trash, brush piles, fields or open flame grilling. You can contact your local fire department to receive a permit for burning, after the fire marshal has given approval. Murray stated he will notify all departments, fire districts, police, forestry, parks and recreational, news media, etc. Vote as follows: Stephens - Aye, Warner - Aye, Whitehouse - Aye.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Stephens and seconded by Warner to adjourn at 1:42 p.m. Vote as follows: Stephens - Aye, Warner - Aye, Whitehouse - Aye.