

MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2012
COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK
CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD

The Cherokee County Commissioners met November 19, 2012. Those present were Commissioners Richard Hilderbrand, Pat Collins, and Jack Garner. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present. Commissioner Garner made a motion to approve the commission minutes for November 12, 2012 as presented by County Clerk Crystal Gatewood; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, and Collins voting in favor. Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand and Collins, and County Clerk Gatewood signed off on the minutes. Treasurer Hodgson brought in her monthly report and it is attached to the minutes.

BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE COMMISSION

Carrie Beckner of NCI Telecommunications came before the commission and presented her company's business information. The company is a twenty-five year old auditing company that checks businesses for telephone taxes, tariffs, and FCC charges to see if the company being audited is being overcharged for these rates. She thinks it would take her company thirty to forty-five days to go through Cherokee County's phone bills. Generally her company can find a 25% to 35% savings for businesses when auditing these records. Ms. Beckner is offering a two year contract with Cherokee County and if they find no errors NCI Telecommunications does not charge for their services. The commission agreed to let her submit a contract and the county counselor will go over it and then the commission will get back to her.

MOTIONS MADE BY COMMISSION

Commissioner Garner made a motion to approve and pay November 2012 Accounts/Payables and Pay Roll; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. Those signing off on the documentation were Commissioners Collins, Garner and Hilderbrand, and County Clerk Gatewood.

Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to purchase \$50.00 gift cards for all county employees, the money to be taken out of General Fund - Employee Compensation line item, and have Treasurer Hodgson purchase them; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, and Collins voting in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Newly elected County Attorney Nathan Coleman requested an Executive Session. Commissioner Collins made a motion to go into **Executive Session for ten minutes for Personnel/Non-Elected** with himself, Commissioners Garner and Hilderbrand, and Nathan Coleman; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, and Collins voting in favor. They went in at 10:40 AM and returned at 10:50 AM.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to go into **Executive Session for fifteen minutes for Personnel/Non- Elected** with himself and Commissioners Hilderbrand and Garner; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, and Collins voting in favor. They went in at 11:00 AM and returned at 11:20 AM.

ADJOURNMENT

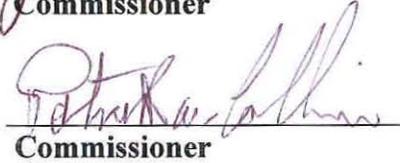
Commissioner Garner made a motion to adjourn at 11:23 AM; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, and Collins voting in favor. The next Cherokee County Commission meeting will be held on November 26, 2012 at 9:00 AM in the Cherokee County Commission room at 9:00 AM at the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas.

Resolved and ordered this day, November 26, 2012


Cherokee County Clerk

Deputy


Commissioner


Commissioner

Commissioner



Network Consulting Inc.

About Us

NCI specializes in telecommunications auditing and managing of telecommunication expenses. Since 1989, NCI has completed thousands of audits and implemented cost saving recommendations for companies throughout the United States and Internationally. We thoroughly review all telecom services currently in place and provide cost reducing recommendations. NCI provides telecom auditing services to a variety of clients including schools, banks, government entities, medical facilities, corporations and small businesses.

Our auditors are continually educated and kept up to date with the complex and ever-changing field of telecom. We also have decades of combined telecommunications experience and expertise specializing in all areas of telecommunications, including FCC Regulatory Charges, Tariffs and Taxation's (On Local, Long Distance, Cellular, Wireless & Internet), Maintenance Contracts and consulting on Telephone Systems and Networks. NCI's staff of telecom professionals have realized savings for a wide range of clients whose monthly telecommunications expenses range from \$5,000 up to \$1 million per month. The goal of NCI is not to change vendors currently in place, but to make the current services work in the most cost effective way.

Telecommunications Audit

NCI concentrates on reducing your telecom costs and improving productivity as well as obtaining vendor refunds due to billing errors. Our approach is to evaluate all areas of your company's voice and data communications expenditures, make recommendations relative to your situation and requirements, and implement those recommendations to ensure that you quickly realize maximum savings. The price of the audit is based on the actual savings realized. If we don't save you money you owe us nothing!

Recoveries

Overcharges you are currently paying and have been paying for years. As an example; NCI will review Tariffs, Taxes and FCC Regulatory charges, line classifications, and conduct research looking into the history of the account dating back up to five to ten years to gain refunds for our clients.

Contingency Savings

These saving are based on recommendations NCI can make to help reduce future communication costs. Our goal is to find ways to reduce expenses by at least twenty percent by reviewing all telecom services in relationship to the Tariffs, Taxes and FCC Regulatory Charges. Most of the recommendations generated by NCI are savings that our clients are unaware of and do not have the expertise or time to handle themselves.

Contact Us

Time is of the Essence...
Opportunities to save constantly evaporate with the passing of time. Is there any reason not to cut expenses as soon as possible? To save money, recover refunds, and enjoy the most efficient network, please contact us today.

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NCI provides telecom auditing services to a variety of clients including schools, government entities, medical facilities, non-profit organizations, corporations and small businesses.

Here are a few of our clients.

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| ▶ Applebees International | ▶ Gordmans |
| ▶ Armed Forces Insurance | ▶ Helzberg Diamonds |
| ▶ Bartlett & West Engineers | ▶ Johnson County, KS |
| ▶ Bayer | ▶ Kansas City KS Public Schools |
| ▶ Blackwell Sanders Peper Martin | ▶ KC Southern Railway Co |
| ▶ BlueCross BlueShield | ▶ Lathrop & Gage |
| ▶ Blue Valley Schools | ▶ Metropolitan Community Colleges |
| ▶ Burns & McDonnell | ▶ North Kansas City Hospital |
| ▶ Cargill | ▶ Salvation Army |
| ▶ Christian Foundation | ▶ State Street Financial |
| ▶ City of Blue Springs, MO | ▶ Stinson Morrison Hecker L.L.P. |
| ▶ Commerce Bank & Trust | ▶ Sysco |
| ▶ Dickinson Financial | ▶ Time Warner Cable |
| ▶ DST | ▶ TransAm Trucking |
| ▶ Ferrellgas Inc. | ▶ Van Enterprises |

▶ Success Stories

- ▶ Based on an incorrect tariff NCI was able to reduce a law firms phone bill by 23% and receive a refund of over \$100,000.
- ▶ NCI was able to obtain a \$350,000 credit for a large manufacturing company and lowered their telecom expenses by \$45,000 per month by correcting taxes and tariffs.
- ▶ A hospital cautioned NCI that they had already conducted an external telecom audit and had not been able to find any savings. NCI was able to reduce their overall telecom expense by 28%.
- ▶ NCI uncovered a tax error for a bank headquartered in Kansas City. After correcting the error the bank received a \$180,000 refund on that one tax error alone.
- ▶ Even though a City in Missouri was tax exempt they were still paying unnecessary taxes. NCI was able to cut their expenses by \$50,000 a year just on their local telecom bill.
- ▶ A retail company with over 320 locations saved over a half of a Million when NCI consulted on each small location.

FUND BALANCES 11/19/2012					
FUND	FUND #	Balance Nov 2012	Nov A/P	Nov P/R	BALANCE
County No-Fund Warrants	99	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CO GEN	100	\$ 471,064.53	\$ 92,466.42	\$ 180,841.99	\$ 197,756.12
TECHNOLOGY FUND	103	\$ 28,676.50	\$ 2,371.96	\$ -	\$ 26,304.54
STATE LINE ROAD PROJECT	105	\$ 260.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 260.20
Jail Salestax	107	\$ 472,916.69	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 472,916.69
Law Enforcement Center	108	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
RD BRIDGE	110	\$ 703,212.75	\$ 136,464.07	\$ 101,303.75	\$ 465,444.93
EX COUNCIL	120	\$ 18,144.54	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,144.54
NOXIOUS WEED	130	\$ 68,252.69	\$ 37.32	\$ 2,232.53	\$ 65,982.84
SEVERE WEATHER EQUIPMENT	135	\$ 22.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22.00
HEALTH	140	\$ 1,174,659.85	\$ 5,404.12	\$ 34,088.21	\$ 1,135,167.52
Clean Up Illegal Dump	142	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TRI CO WIC	145	\$ 118.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 118.32
FAIR	150	\$ 286.77	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 286.77
ELECTION	160	\$ 179,148.85	\$ 31,107.48	\$ 7,268.93	\$ 140,772.44
COMM COLLEGE	170	\$ 1,956.44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,956.44
SOIL CONSERV	180	\$ 2,206.19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,206.19
SPECIAL BRIDGE	190	\$ 302,025.53	\$ -	\$ 1,588.33	\$ 300,437.20
MENTAL HEALTH	200	\$ 9,864.94	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,864.94
MENTAL RETARD	210	\$ 9,835.12	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,835.12
FAM LIFE CENTER BOND & INT	216	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
AMBULANCE	220	\$ 147,972.78	\$ 46,570.83	\$ -	\$ 101,401.95
CHEROKEE COUNTY 911	224	\$ 277,089.63	\$ 901.35	\$ -	\$ 276,188.28
FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE GRANT	227	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
APPRAISAL	230	\$ 95,134.96	\$ 5,057.67	\$ 19,769.84	\$ 70,307.45
COUNTY BLDG	250	\$ 921.18	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 921.18
EMPL. BENE	260	\$ 451,343.27	\$ 46,258.38	\$ -	\$ 405,084.89
PAYROLL W/HOLD	265	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SPECIAL (TORT) LIABILITY	290	\$ 16,878.94	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,878.94
ELDERLY	300	\$ 32,691.83	\$ 78.30	\$ -	\$ 32,613.53
DESIGNATED DV & SA PROSEC	301	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CDBG-Grant Family Life	302	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
08LEPC PLAN/TRAIN GRANT	303	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SPIDER PROGRAM	304	\$ 7,480.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,480.00
E/P GRANT	306	\$ 201.43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 201.43
COPS GRANT	307	\$ 9,896.80	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,896.80
JUVENILE BLOCK GRANT	309	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

FUND	FUND #	Balance Nov 2012	Nov A/P	Nov P/R	BALANCE
LANDFILL	310	\$ 14,892.61	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,892.61
REMODEL GRANT	313	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
INVESTIGATOR GRANT	314	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
GALENA MINE CLOSURE	317	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EMERG SHELTR GRANT	318	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SEWER DIST #1 BOND & INT	320	\$ 5,542.84	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,542.84
SEWER DIST #1 OPER & MAINT	330	\$ 18,307.46	\$ 10,616.36	\$ 1,317.84	\$ 6,373.26
SHELTERED WORKSHOP BD & IN	340	\$ 14.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14.00
SPECIAL HIGHWAY IMPROVEMT	360	\$ 1,264.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,264.20
SPECIAL ROAD MACHINERY	370	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
COUNTY BOND & INTEREST	390	\$ 1,340.54	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,340.54
PROS ATTORN TRAIN	410	\$ 1,960.41	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,960.41
ELECTRONIC MONITORING	412	\$ 910.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 910.00
ATTORNEY APPLICATION FEE	413	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
DIVERSION SUPERVISION FEE	414	\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5.00
ADMINISTRATION FEE BAD CKS	415	\$ 88.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 88.81
SPECIAL PARKS & RECREATION	430	\$ 2,553.52	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,553.52
SPEC ALCOHOL	440	\$ 2,540.12	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,540.12
TOURISM	450	\$ 6,450.00	\$ 1,840.42	\$ -	\$ 4,609.58
INFORMATION NETWORK OF KS	465	\$ 6,991.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,991.62
BANKRUPTCY FUND	470	\$ 1,865.21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,865.21
CONCEALED WEAPON APPS	489	\$ 13,122.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,122.50
SPECIAL LAW ENFORC TRUST	490	\$ 13,273.84	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,273.84
DRUG TAX STAMP FUND	491	\$ 1,253.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,253.42
CO ATTY SPEC LAW ENFORC	492	\$ 628.56	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 628.56
Drug Forfeiture Fund	493	\$ 1,275.78	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,275.78
Justice Assistance Grant	494	\$ 390.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 390.81
DRUG FREE GRANT 91-03	495	\$ 4,539.35	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,539.35
RURAL WATER #8 GRANT	505	\$ 246.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 246.00
FLOOD PURCHASE AGREEMENT	513	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FLOOD BUYOUT PROG 1997	517	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SIREN			\$ -		
NSP	353	\$ 612.12	\$ 14.40		\$ 597.72
			\$ 379,189.08	\$ 348,411.42	

BUDGET BALANCES 2012							
COUNTY GENERAL	Beginning Budget	BUDGET AVAIL.	1st Half	Nov A/P	Nov P/R	AFTER NOV ISSUE	%
Commissioners	\$ 88,687.00	\$ 15,842.30	\$ -	\$ 763.72	\$ 5,753.53	\$ 9,325.05	10.51%
County Clerk	\$ 126,003.00	\$ 26,894.28	\$ -	\$ 62.35	\$ 8,815.14	\$ 18,016.79	14.30%
County Treasurer	\$ 135,696.00	\$ 39,616.78	\$ -	\$ 70.60	\$ 23,125.86	\$ 16,420.32	12.10%
County Attorney	\$ 232,622.00	\$ 52,670.27	\$ -	\$ 8,147.94	\$ 11,502.60	\$ 33,019.73	14.19%
Register of Deeds	\$ 108,557.00	\$ 39,227.26	\$ -	\$ 101.81	\$ 6,131.66	\$ 32,993.79	30.39%
County Counselor	\$ 31,016.00	\$ 8,781.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,185.45	\$ 6,596.05	21.27%
Sheriff Dept	\$ 982,858.00	\$ 196,919.30	\$ -	\$ 7,349.17	\$ 64,806.32	\$ 124,763.81	12.69%
Sheriff O.T.	\$ 38,770.00	\$ 4,392.79	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,293.08	\$ (900.29)	-2.32%
District Court	\$ 258,598.00	\$ 68,065.76	\$ -	\$ 12,831.90	\$ 2,925.73	\$ 52,308.13	20.23%
Courthouse	\$ 441,135.00	\$ 126,634.33	\$ -	\$ 24,538.69	\$ 4,566.00	\$ 97,529.64	22.11%
Emergency Prep	\$ 66,443.00	\$ 27,299.47	\$ -	\$ 467.74	\$ 5,044.19	\$ 21,787.54	32.79%
Human Resources	\$ 38,412.00	\$ 8,766.21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,760.24	\$ 6,005.97	15.64%
Economic Dev.	\$ 2,229.00	\$ (12,771.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (12,771.00)	-572.95%
Planning Comm	\$ 6,106.00	\$ 465.55	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 465.55	7.62%
Recreation	\$ 11,631.00	\$ 8,481.00	\$ -	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ 7,231.00	62.17%
Jail	\$ 817,428.00	\$ 88,310.68	\$ -	\$ 28,936.54	\$ 33,954.51	\$ 25,419.63	3.11%
Computer Prog	\$ 40,709.00	\$ (10,410.99)	\$ -	\$ 945.00	\$ -	\$ (11,355.99)	-27.90%
Jury Cost	\$ 9,693.00	\$ 3,219.05	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,219.05	33.21%
Juvenile Dentention	\$ 76,281.00	\$ 12,678.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,678.00	16.62%
Geneology Society	\$ 7,269.00	\$ (2,075.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,075.00)	-28.55%
Emergency 911	\$ 63,002.00	\$ 19,738.84	\$ -	\$ 100.12	\$ 3,977.68	\$ 15,661.04	24.86%
Contract Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Gis Info	\$ 29,078.00	\$ (10,123.75)	\$ -	\$ 2,622.90	\$ -	\$ (12,746.65)	-43.84%
Other Trans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Capital Lease	\$ 615,060.00	\$ 615,060.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 615,060.00	100.00%
Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Jail COP Cash Reserve	\$ 135,459.00	\$ 135,459.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 135,459.00	0.00%
Courthouse Contingency			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Capital Lease AS400	\$ -	\$ -				\$ -	0.00%
Capital Lease File Server	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Employee Compensation	\$ 69,369.00	\$ 18,011.56	\$ -	\$ 4,277.94	\$ -	\$ 13,733.62	19.80%
Total County General	\$ 4,432,111.00	\$ 1,481,153.19	\$ -	\$ 92,466.42	\$ 180,841.99	\$ 1,207,844.78	27.25%

	<u>Beginning Budget</u>	<u>BUDGET AVAIL.</u>	<u>1st Half</u>	<u>Nov A/P</u>	<u>Nov P/R</u>	<u>AFTER NOV ISSUE</u>	<u>%</u>
County No-Fund Warrant	\$ 24,015.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Technology Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,371.96	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Rd & Bridg	\$ 3,186,289.00	\$ 832,540.53	\$ -	\$ 136,464.07	\$ 101,303.75	\$ 594,772.71	18.67%
Ex Counc	\$ 194,447.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Noxious Weed	\$ 68,333.00	\$ 41,211.50	\$ -	\$ 37.32	\$ 2,232.53	\$ 38,941.65	56.99%
Health &Wic	\$ 649,305.00	\$ 266,292.43	\$ -	\$ 5,404.12	\$ 34,088.21	\$ 226,800.10	34.93%
Fair	\$ 3,005.00	\$ 3,005.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,005.00	100.00%
Direct Elect	\$ 183,189.00	\$ 81,614.85	\$ -	\$ 31,107.48	\$ 7,268.93	\$ 43,238.44	23.60%
Comm College	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Soil Conserv	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Special Bridge	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,588.33	\$ -	0.00%
Mental Health	\$ 108,030.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Mental Retard.	\$ 108,030.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Ambulance	\$ 558,850.00	\$ 93,141.70	\$ -	\$ 46,570.83	\$ -	\$ 46,570.87	8.33%
Cherokee County 911			\$ -	\$ 901.35	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Appraiser	\$ 321,212.00	\$ 57,003.22	\$ -	\$ 5,057.67	\$ 19,769.84	\$ 32,175.71	10.02%
County Bldg.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Employee Bene	\$ 3,257,000.00	\$ 1,216,637.63	\$ -	\$ 46,258.38	\$ -	\$ 1,170,379.25	35.93%
Elderly	\$ 33,924.00	\$ 17,950.96	\$ -	\$ 78.30	\$ -	\$ 17,872.66	52.68%
08LEPC Plan/Train Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Landfill	\$ 50,152.00	\$ 49,222.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,222.00	98.15%
Sewer Dist #1	\$ 258,829.00	\$ 18,341.85	\$ -	\$ 10,616.36	\$ 1,317.84	\$ 6,407.65	2.48%
Siren	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
Spidar	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
No Fund Warrants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
PA Training	\$ 3,463.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Co Attorney Spec Law Enforc	\$ 2,384.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
NSP	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 14.40	\$ -		
Park	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Alcohol	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Tourism	\$ 8,300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,840.42	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Spec Law	\$ 6,472.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Drug Tax Stamp Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			0.00%
Total		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 379,189.08	\$ 348,411.42		