

MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 17, 2011
COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK
CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD

The Cherokee County Commissioners met October 17, 2011. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Garner and those present were Commissioners Collins and Hilderbrand. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. County Clerk Crystal Gatewood submitted the minutes for October 3, 2011; Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to accept the minutes, and his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner and Hilderbrand voting in favor. Commissioners Collins, Hilderbrand and Garner, and Clerk Gatewood signed off on the documentation. Clerk Gatewood submitted the minutes for the Special Meeting held October 11, 2011, Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to approve the minutes; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. Commissioners Collins, Garner and Hilderbrand, and Clerk Gatewood signed off on the minutes. During the discussion of Accounts Payables, the County Lot had purchased a truck and Commissioner Hilderbrand asked Commissioner Collins about it because he was not aware of the purchase, as well as Commissioner Hilderbrand questioning John Bullard's mileage re-imbusement because he has a county vehicle. Clerk Gatewood said she had not seen the vouchers in question because her office doesn't process them anymore. Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve and pay October 2011 Mid-Month Account Payables, all but John Bullard's mileage in the amount of \$249.75, with Commissioner Hilderbrand seconding the motion and Commissioners Collins, Hilderbrand, and Garner voting in favor. Commissioners Collins, Garner, Hilderbrand, County Counselor Cure, and Clerk Gatewood signed off on the documentation.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Steve Hale of the County Lot requested an executive session for personnel. Commissioner Collins made the motion to go into **Executive Session for ten minutes for Personnel/Non-Elected** with himself, Commissioners Garner and Hilderbrand, and employee Steve Hale; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hilderbrand with Commissioners Hilderbrand, Collins, and Garner voting in favor. They went in at 9:25 AM and returned at 9:34 AM.

Commissioner Hilderbrand made the motion to go into **Executive Session for twenty minutes for Attorney/Client Privilege regarding pending litigation** with himself, Commissioners Garner and Collins, County Counselor Kevin Cure, and Sheriff David Groves; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, and Collins voting in favor. They went in at 11:45 AM and returned at 12:05 PM.

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COUNTY APPOINTED DEPARTMENT HEADS

Betha Elliott of the Cherokee County Health Department reported a busy month for the Health Department; they have given over 900 Flu Shots since September 2011. The city of Columbus and Cherokee County held a drive thru clinic and 110 people took advantage of getting their Flu Shots during the event. The City of Columbus and Cherokee County held an E-Waste disposal Saturday, October 15, 2011 and she reported it was very successful.

Wayne Elliott of 911 mapping reported his department is running smoother and submitted a monthly income report for his office.

County Appraiser Nancy Herrenbruck reported she and her staff are busy with training for the new Orion system and beginning work on the 2012 valuations.

Deana Randall of Human Resource reported cut off for October bills is 12:00 PM October 19, 2011.

Ralph Houser, Court House Maintenance, reported that the elevator is completed and working.

Jason Allison of Emergency Preparedness reported that the state should be releasing payment of FEMA funds being re-reimbursed to the county sometime this week.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Cherokee County, Treasurer Juanita Hodgson, reported that her office will be closed on December 1, 2011 thru December 8, 2011 for driver's license and tag; no licenses or tags will be able to be purchased. All 105 counties in the state will be temporarily shut down so all counties can get the system on their computer systems and training done. Her office will accept real estate taxes that people want to pay by going thru the County Clerk's Office, and the front door of the Treasurer's Office will be closed. The new State Treasurer, Ron Estes, will be here October 27, 2011 from 1:15 PM to 2:45 PM so citizens can come in and check for unclaimed monies or property being held by the state. Former State Treasurer Dennis McKinney had been in Cherokee County last year for the unclaimed property look up so anyone in Cherokee County may come in and check if they have anything held by the state.

Cherokee County Register of Deeds Christy Grant reported they are doing a lot more deeds because many are refinancing on their property. She also gave an update regarding Freeman Surgery Center charging the county employees' as not networked, and the problem has been resolved.

Cherokee County Sheriff David Groves reported the Route 66 Marathon was a success and they were able to have all runners through Riverton by 12:15 PM. On October 29, 2011 the Sheriff's Department will hold another Take Back of unused or old medications day and the public is invited to bring the medication in for disposal. The department also received a check for the county's check point during Labor Day weekend in Cherokee County; these funds were reimbursed from KDOT to Cherokee County.

Cherokee County Clerk Crystal Gatewood reported the office was busy setting the final valuation and mill levy for Cherokee County and preparing the information for Treasurer Hodgson so she can print 2011 Tax Statements for the county.

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OTHER BUSINESS

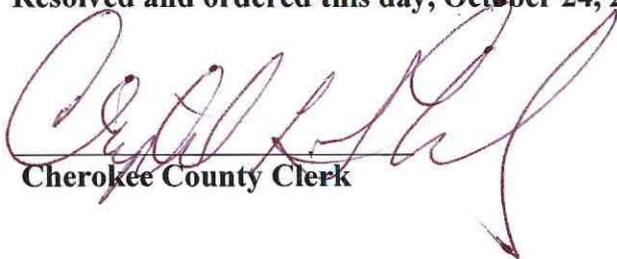
Representatives from Kansas Fish and Game, Rob Riggins and David Jenkins, and Citizen Raymond Griffith met with the commission to discuss the land issue Griffith had been asking the commission for help with. During the discussion Rob Riggins of Fish and Game explained the land in question along Cherry Creek and Deer Creek were in compliance and regarding ownership, PM Coal Company had deeded the property over to Fish and Game sometime in the 1990's. Griffith said he had different documentation stating he had won the court case in the 1980's by a judgment by the Kansas Supreme Court and it differed in what the representatives of the Fish and Game stated. Mr. Riggins suggested Griffith get an attorney if he was still questioning his data. Riggins also said this was not a county commission decision but a state issue, therefore the commission suggested he get an attorney if he still had questions after the discussion. The commission thanked everyone for coming in.

Senator Bob Marshall came before the commission and explained that he and Senators Jeff King, Pat Apple, and Dewayne Umbarger are creating a SEK Economic Development AD Hock committee to discuss ways to draw business to Southeast Kansas. Each senator has appointed ten individuals from their senate districts and he had chosen individuals from the Pittsburg area. He asked the commission to submit additional individuals to the discussion being held November 17, 2011 in Iola, Kansas. Marshall also discussed re-districting and the gaming bill that is in the Senate. The commission asked questions and thanked him for coming in.

ADJOURMENT

Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to adjourn at 12:13 PM; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Hilderbrand, and Garner voting in favor. The next Cherokee County Commission meeting will be held October 24, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas.

Resolved and ordered this day, October 24, 2011

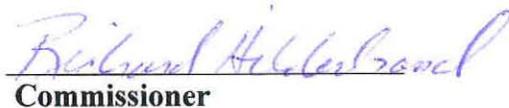


Cherokee County Clerk

Commissioner



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CHEROKEE COUNTY BUDGET REPORT					
AS OF OCTOBER 7, 2011					
FUND	K.S.A.	BUDGET	EXPENSES	ENCUMBERED	%
COUNTY GENERAL	79-1946	\$4,565,516.00	\$2,740,248.73	\$1,825,267.27	39.98
ROAD & BRIDGE	79-1946	\$3,360,000.00	\$2,700,989.88	\$659,010.12	19.61
APPRAISER	19-436	\$331,400.00	\$222,877.79	\$108,522.21	32.75
HEALTH	65-204	\$659,138.00	\$244,554.45	\$414,583.55	62.9
DIRECT ELECTION	25-2201a	\$189,000.00	\$93,915.47	\$95,084.53	50.31
NOXIOUS WEED	2-1318	\$85,000.00	\$47,525.70	\$37,974.30	44.41
EXTENSION COUNCIL	2-610	\$200,615.00	\$200,615.00	\$0.00	0
CONSERVATION DISTRICT	2-1907b	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	0
FAIR		\$1,049.00	\$0.00	\$1,049.00	100
AMBULANCE		\$576,576.00	\$432,432.00	\$144,144.00	25
ELDERLY SERVICES		\$35,000.00	\$19,789.96	\$15,210.04	43.46
MENTAL HEALTH		\$111,457.00	\$111,457.00	\$0.00	0
MENTAL RETARDATION		\$111,457.00	\$111,457.00	\$0.00	0
NO-FUND WARRANTS		\$238,777.00	\$226,888.50	\$11,888.50	0
SPECIAL BRIDGE		\$134,193.00	\$144,149.48	(\$9,956.48)	7.42-
SPECIAL PARKS		\$13,490.00	\$4,000.00	\$9,490.00	70.35
SPECIAL ALCOHOL		\$14,669.00	\$0.00	\$14,669.00	100
LANDFILL		\$86,010.58	\$5,687.97	\$80,322.61	
TOURISM & PROMOTION		\$7,500.00	\$5,623.38	\$1,876.62	25
SP.LAW ENFORCEMENT TR.		\$3,388.24	\$1,575.90	\$1,812.34	0
INTERGOVERNMENTAL 911		\$187,399.00	\$43,868.66	\$143,530.34	76.59
911 WIRELESS		\$271,922.00	\$472.50	\$271,449.50	99.83
PA TRAINING		\$2,003.39	\$741.00	\$1,262.39	0
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		\$3,100,000.00	\$2,136,416.01	\$963,583.99	31.08
SEWER DISTRICT # 1		\$298,902.00	\$178,218.26	\$120,683.74	40.38
CHEROKEE COUNTY CLERK					
CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD					10/7/2011
					DATE

CHEROKEE COUNTY GENERAL FUND BALANCES					
AS OF OCTOBER 7, 2011	K.S.A.79-1946				
COUNTY GENERAL 100		BEG. BALANCE	YTD EXPENSE	ENCUMBERED	% LEFT
COMMISSIONERS		\$91,500.00	\$61,879.57	\$29,620.43	32.37%
COUNTY CLERK		\$130,000.00	\$87,600.71	\$42,399.29	32.61%
COUNTY TREASURER		\$140,000.00	\$95,188.33	\$44,811.67	32.01%
COUNTY ATTORNEY		\$240,000.00	\$175,206.97	\$64,793.03	27.00%
REGISTER OF DEEDS		\$112,000.00	\$82,821.09	\$29,178.91	26.05%
COUNTY COUNSELOR		\$32,000.00	\$19,779.20	\$12,220.80	38.19%
SHERIFF DEPARTMENT		\$1,014,033.00	\$724,921.88	\$289,111.12	28.51%
SHERIFF OVERTIME		\$40,000.00	\$34,152.35	\$5,847.65	14.62%
DISTRICT COURT		\$266,800.00	\$169,822.47	\$96,977.53	36.35%
COURTHOUSE		\$455,000.00	\$389,304.14	\$65,695.86	14.44%
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS		\$68,550.00	(\$7,121.06)	(\$3,171.06)	-4.63
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		\$2,300.00	(\$2,500.00)	(\$200.00)	-8.7
PLANNING COMMISSION		\$6,300.00	\$5,790.75	\$509.25	8.08%
RECREATION (COMMISSION)		\$12,000.00	\$5,400.00	\$6,600.00	55.00%
JAIL FUND		\$843,356.00	\$619,788.52	\$223,567.48	26.51%
COMPUTER PROGRAMING		\$42,000.00	\$27,926.77	\$14,073.23	33.51%
JURY COSTS		\$10,000.00	\$2,124.95	\$7,875.05	78.75%
JUVENILE DETENTION		\$74,208.00	\$51,195.00	\$23,013.00	31.01%
GENEOLOGY SOCIETY		\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	0%
911 MAPPING		\$65,000.00	\$38,627.41	\$26,372.59	40.57%
GIS INFO		\$30,000.00	\$24,148.90	\$5,851.10	19.50%
CAPITAL LEASE		\$613,728.00	\$0.00	\$613,728.00	100.00%
JAIL CERTPART CASH RESV		\$158,041.00	\$0.00	\$158,041.00	100.00%
HUMAN RESOURCE		\$35,000.00	\$26,325.50	\$8,674.50	24.78%
INTEREST ON INSUFF FUND		\$4,565,516.00	\$2,740,248.73	\$1,825,267.27	39.98%
EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION		\$76,200.00	\$16,523.16	\$59,676.84	78.32%
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$17,995.94				
YTD REVENUE	\$3,315,479.26				
YTD EXPENSE	\$2,816,465.01				
ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$517,010.19				
	CHEROKEE COUNTY CLERK		DATE: 10/07/2011		
					
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