

MINUTES FOR JANUARY 19, 2010

COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD

SPECIAL MEETING

The Cherokee County Commission met January 19, 2010 for a **SPECIAL MEETING** in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas at 9:00 AM. The special meeting was called to order by Chairman Richard Hilderbrand and those present were Commissioners Garner and Collins. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Commissioner Garner made a motion to approve January 2010 Payroll as presented by the Cherokee County Clerk Crystal Gatewood, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and all voted in favor. Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve Accounts Payable for January 2010 as presented by County Clerk Gatewood, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner and all voted in favor. Commissioners Hilderbrand, Collins, Garner, County Clerk Crystal Gatewood, and County Counselor Kevin Cure signed off on January Accounts/Payable and January Payroll.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Collins made a motion to go into **Executive Session** for Personnel with himself, Commissioners Garner and Hilderbrand, and County Clerk Crystal Gatewood for ten minutes, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner and all voted in favor. They went in at 10:08 AM and returned at 10:11 AM.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to go into **Executive Session** for Non-Elected Personnel with himself, Commissioners Garner and Hilderbrand, and County Counselor Kevin Cure for five minutes. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner and all voted in favor. They went in at 11:54 AM and returned at 12:02 PM.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Commissioners called Road and Bridge Supervisor Leonard Vanatta and asked him to come in to discuss the condition of the county roads due to the weather. The commissioners asked him to check some of the roads in the county. He said he had already been out and they are doing all they can considering the overly wet conditions.

Jason Allison came in and the commission recognized him as he explained the storm siren bids and concluded that Washington Electronics was the lowest bid and recommended to the commission that they look it over. The commission made no decision but would get back to him on Monday, January 25, 2010. A representative from Washington Electronics answered questions from the commissioners. Jason Allison also recommended the 911 Reverse System for the county and the commission agreed to get back to him when he gets the final cost for the county.

Sheriff David Groves came in to discuss hiring a replacement Dispatcher for the county. The position is currently open and the sheriff stated it was a necessary position that needs to be filled due to safety and service for the citizens of Cherokee County. The commission gave their approval for him to hire a dispatcher. Sheriff Groves stated that the Video Conferencing got set up last week, but he had not yet made a press release.

The commission discussed with County Counselor Kevin Cure the Transient Guest tax but no decisions were made and Kevin Cure was going to call each commissioner this week and go over the details before the January 25, 2010 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner and all voted in favor. The next regular Commission Meeting will be held January 25, 2010 in the Cherokee County Courthouse at 9:00 AM.

Resolved and ordered this day:

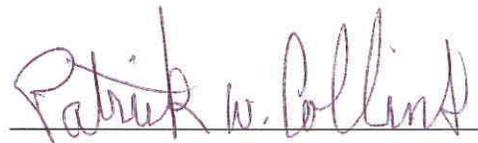
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Cherokee County Clerk

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Garner", written over a horizontal line.

Commissioner

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Commissioner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Hilderbrand", written over a horizontal line.

Commissioner