

MINUTES for August 28, 2023
BOARD of CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'
CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS

CONVENE

Chairman Cory Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (the Board), to order at 9:00 AM on Monday, August 28, 2023, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County Commissioner Myra Frazier opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Cory Moates, Lorie Johnson, Myra Frazier, County Clerk Rebecca Brassart, Road & Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, and News Report owner Larry Hiatt were present.

APPROVAL of MINUTES

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the August 21, 2023, meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ROAD & BRIDGE

County Road & Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook presented the Board with a new hire sheet for David Slifka as a utility 1 operator at a rate of \$16.00.

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve the new hire of David Slifka as a utility 1 operator at a rate of \$16.00. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Cody informed the Board that the Wyandotte bridge project 011 C-5153-01 has been awarded to B&B Bridge Company \$888,661.00.

Cody notified the Board that Handsy has been out mowing with the brush hog.

COUNTY TREASURER RESIGNATION

County Treasurer Raven Youngblood came before the Board to inform them of her resignation as County Treasurer effective 10/3/2023.

NON-ELECT EXECUTIVE ATTORNEY CLIENT

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 10-minute attorney client privilege executive session with the Board, and County Counselor Nathan Coleman to return at 10:10 a.m. Commissioner Moates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

JANITOR OPENING

County Clerk Rebecca Brassart presented the Board with janitor applications.

NON-ELECT EXECUTIVE

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 30-minute non-elect personnel executive session with the Board, to return at 10:55 a.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 10-minute non-elect personnel executive session with the Board, to return at 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

RECESS

Commissioner Frazier made a motion for a recess until 1:00 p.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Moates reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

MAINTENANCE INTERVIEWS**NON-ELECT EXECUTIVE**

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 30-minute non-elect personnel executive session with the Board, and Albert Welch to return at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 30-minute non-elect personnel executive session with the Board, and Mike Thomas to return at 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

REVIEW JOB APPLICATIONS

County Clerk Rebecca Brassart presented the Board with additional applications for the Maintenance Coordinator and Emergency Manager position. The Board reviewed the applications.

NON-ELECT EXECUTIVE

Commissioner Johnson made a motion for a 15-minute non-elect personnel executive session with the Board, to return at 2:45 p.m. Commissioner Moates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR

Commissioner Moates made a motion to hire Mike Thomas as the new Maintenance Coordinator at a salary of \$37,500 a year to begin working on September 11, 2023. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING DATE

Due to Monday September 4, 2023, being a holiday, the commission will meet on August 31, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. to approve payroll and payables.

NON-ELECT EXECUTIVE

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 15-minute non-elect personnel executive session with the Board, former janitor Natalie Bailey, to return at 3:15 p.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 10-minute non-elect personnel executive session with the Board, former janitor Natalie Bailey, and Human Resource Director Deana Randall to return at 3:25 p.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

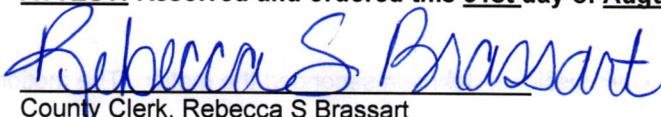
JANITOR

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to approve the rehire of Natalie Bailey as janitor at a rate of \$13.00 and to begin working on August 30, 2023. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

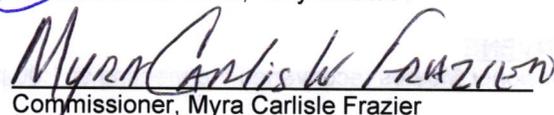
Commissioner Frazier made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 31st day of August 2023.


County Clerk, Rebecca S Brassart


Commissioner, Lorie Johnson


Commissioner Chair, Cory Moates


Commissioner, Myra Carlisle Frazier