## Cherokee County Commission Meeting Minutes for December 13, 2021

At 9:00 a.m. on Monday December 13, 2021, Chairman Moates called to order the regular session of the Cherokee County Commission in room #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 West Maple, Columbus, Kansas. County Clerk Kyle Rennie opened with Prayer to Father God the Creator and leading all attending in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

District #1 Commissioner Myra Frazier, District #2 Commissioner Lorie Johnson, District #3
Commissioner Corey Moates, County Attorney and Council to The Commission Nathan Coleman, County
Clerk Kyle Rennie, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook and reporter for the Columbus News Report
Jacob Spencer all attending for the open.

Commissioner Moates moved to accept and approve for publish the December 6, 2021, Commission Minutes. Commissioner Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve payroll ending December3, 2021. Commissioner Frazier 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$233,239.43. Commissioner Frazier 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Road and Bridge Report: Supervisor Cody Zook reported Truck information, four corners Emergency Conference, Questions from County Residents on rural roads, and requesting signatures for Bridge Project 13-0.8 Project #11 C-5153-01. Cody also requested rate of pay increase for 23 Road and Bridge employees in a range from \$.25/hr. to \$1.50/hr.

Commissioner Moates moved to adopt Resolution 17-2021, a Resolution Authorizing Participation in a local road safety Plan Project. Commissioner Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moates moved to adopt Resolution 18-2021, a Resolution Authorizing Participation in Off-Systems Bridge Replacement Rehabilitation Project. Commissioner Johnson 32<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the hourly wage increase for 23 Road and Bridge employees. Commissioner Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moates moved to go into executive session at 9:38 with County Council Nathan Coleman and Cody Zook. For non-elect personnel and to reconvene at 10:00. Commissioner Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0. Meeting reconvened at 10:00.

Department head reports:

Emergency Preparedness- Jason Allison not much to report at this time.

County Appraiser- Dave Thornton Finishing year end duties.

Commissioner Moates moved to adopt Resolution 19-2021. A Resolution Appointing the Cherokee County Appraiser. Commissioner Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Frazier moved close the Courthouse to the public on December 31, 2021. Commissioner Moates 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Johnson moved to go into executive session at 10:40 with County Council Nathan Coleman, and County Clerk Kyle Rennie for non-elect personnel and to reconvene at 11:00. Commissioner Moates 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0. Meeting reconvened at 11:00.

Commissioner Johnson moved to go into executive session at 11:03 with County Council Nathan Coleman, County Clerk Kyle Rennie and Rebecca Brassart for non-elect personnel and to reconvene at 11:15. Commissioner Frazier 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0. Meeting reconvened at 11:15.

Commissioner Moates moved to go into executive session at 11:20 with County Council Nathan Coleman for non-elect personnel and to reconvene at 11:45. Commissioner Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed. 3-0.

Commissioner Johnson moved to recess until 12:00p.m. Commissioner Frazier 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Proprietor of the Columbus News Report Larry Hiatt asked The Commission to sponsor a full-page Christmas ad in the Columbus News Report containing Letters to Santa Claus from children residing in Cherokee County cost to The Commission \$600 The Commission agreed to sponsor the ad.

County Clerk Kyle Rennie announced his resignation effective December 30, 2021.

Commissioner Moates moved to adjourn until the next regular session December 20, 2021. Commissioner Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed 3-0. These Minutes were written by County Clerk Kyle Rennie.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this December 20th, 2021

**County Clerk** 

Commissioner

Commissioner

Myro Carlisle FRAZIETI

Commissioner