Cherokee County Commission Meeting Minutes for March 29, 2021

Chairman Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 29, 2021, in room #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 West Maple, Columbus, Kansas. County Clerk Kyle Rennie opened with all standing, in Prayer and leading all in attendance, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Commissioners Myra Frazier District #1, Lorie Johnson District #2, and Corey Moates District #3 County Council and County Attorney Nathan Coleman, and Tiana McElroy, also an Attorney in the County Attorney's office, County Clerk Kyle Rennie, and Deputy County Clerk Kaden Wimmer all in attendance. Proprietor and reporter for the Columbus News Report Larry Hiatt were also attending.

Matt Napier and Matt Biddle, managers of the Riverton sewer District, updated THE COMMISSION with information about repairs and/or replacement of the main lift pumps with a quote of \$ 34,898.00. Shipping is to be added to the quote.

Commissioner Johnson moved to accept and approve for public record and publish the March 22, 2021, Commission Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Moates 2nd, motion passed 3-0.

Road & Bridge supervisor Cody Zook and Brian Williams, road boss, addressed THE COMMISSION with several items for discussion. #1 Cody reported he had purchased a salt brine applicator, purchase invoice \$6564.53, applicator to be picked up in Chanute in the coming days. #2 Cody reported he had scheduled a meeting with Purple Wave Online Auctions to list for sale county lot equipment in need of repair and not been used for a long period of time. Bruce Parker, grader operator, has been training Aaron Vaughn. #3 Clean up and minor repairs on Rain-bow bridge. #4 Dust Control on county roads to minimize dust in front of residents' homes. #5 Discussion was made on requirements for installing entries into private and commercial properties.

Commissioner Frazier moved to create a policy to require residents to supply, at their cost, the culvert or pipe for first-time entries (a driveway to enter a property where there has not been a previous driveway) that comply with County Road & Bridge terms, maintenance after installation to be the responsibility of the County R & B Department. Motion died to lack of a second, pending further discussion.

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Commissioner Frazier moved to go into executive session at 11:30 with Jason Allison for with non-elected personal and to reconvene at 11:50. Commissioner Johnson 2nd, motion passed 3-0. The meeting reconvened at 11:50. No action was taken.

Commissioner Moates moved to break for lunch at 11:51 and to reconvene at 1:00. Commissioner Johnson 2nd, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moates moved to go into executive session at 1:05 with Robert McElroy, the appraiser in Neosho County, for interviews and to reconvene at 1:30. Commissioner Johnson 2nd, motion passed 3-0. The meeting reconvened at 1:30. No action was taken.

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ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this April 5, 2021

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