Cherokee County Commission Meeting Minutes for April 19, 2021

Chairman Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. Monday, April 19, 2021, in room #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 West Maple, Columbus, Kansas. Commissioner Johnson opened with all Standing in Prayer to Father God the Creator. And Leading all in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Commissioner Myra Frazier District #1, Lorie Johnson District #2, Corey Moates District #3 County Attorney and County Council to the Commission Nathan Coleman, County Clerk Kyle Rennie all in attendance for the open. Proprietor and reporter for the Official County News Paper the Columbus News Report Larry Hiatt also attended at the open.

Commissioner Johnson moved to accept and approve for publishing the April 12, 2021 Commission meeting Minutes. Commissioner Frazier 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve payroll ending April 2, 2021. Commissioner Johnson 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moates moved to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$230,773.22. Commissioner Johnson 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Cherokee County resident Michael Knowlen of West Mineral approached THE BOARD asking for help with a road close to West Mineral.

Road & Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook updated THE BOARD with county road business and work. Owens Corning donated a 300 gal. tank of dust control solution; it will make up to 2500 gallons. Other points of discussion are lot equipment, Insurance claims, and work on SE State-line & Carver Rd.

Sheriff Groves submitted his Budget Priority outline and discussed it with THE BOARD.

Health Department Director Betha Elliot addressed THE BOARD recommending two new Hires in her Department, Audry Smith, as an RN at \$18/hr. And Millicent Clugston as a Clerk.

Commissioner Moates moved to hire Audry Smith into the Health Department as an RN at \$18/hr. Starting April 26, 2021. Commissioner Frazier 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Frazier moved to go into executive session at 10:52 with elected County Council Nathan Coleman for Personal and to reconvene at 11:00. Commissioner Johnson 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0. The meeting reconvened at 11:00.

Columbus Chamber of Commerce Director Jean Pritchett addressed THE BOARD, asking for approval and signatures of the Cherokee County Tourism Grant Program 2020 in the amount of \$500 for advertising.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve \$500 for advertising for the Columbus Chamber of Commerce for the upcoming Big Iron Overland Rally. Commissioner Moates 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Reports of Department Heads.

County Appraiser Mark Hixon reported on the 2020 Preliminary Appraisal Sales Ratio Study Results.

County Clerk Kyle Rennie reported on duties of the County Clerk's Office and attendance of Election Software Training the week of April 12, 2021.

County Attorney Nathan Coleman reported on Management and execution of duties in the County Attorney Office.

Commissioner Johnson moved to go into executive session at 12:05 with County Attorney Nathan Colman and appointed Jason Allison for Attorney/Client and to reconvene at 12:15. Commissioner Moates 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0. The meeting reconvened at 12:15.

Commissioner Frazier moved to go into executive session at 12:16 with County Attorney Nathan Colman and appointed Jason Allison for Attorney/Client and to reconvene at 12:25. Commissioner Moates 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Frazier moved to go into executive session at 12:26 with County Attorney Nathan Colman for Personal and to reconvene at 12:35. Commissioner Moates 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn until the next regular session April 26, 2021. Commissioner Moates 2nd the motion, motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 12:38.

These Minutes were written in draft by County Clerk Kyle Rennie.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this April26, 2021

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