

MINUTES for May 12, 2025
BOARD of CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'
CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS

CONVENE

Chair Myra Carlisle Frazier called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (the Board), to order at 9:00 AM on Monday, May 12, 2025, 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 Jack Garner, Cory Moates, Myra Frazier, County Counselor Jake Conard, County Clerk employee Michelle Mosler, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, Galena Sentinel Times Editor Machel Smith, and News Report owner Larry Hiatt were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the minutes as presented from May 5, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PAYABLES

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the payables as presented. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the payroll as presented. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook provided update on various ongoing projects.

ATTORNEY-CLIENT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier moved to enter into a 15-minute executive session for attorney-client communication with the Board, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, and County Counselor Jake Conard. The session was set to return at 9:27 a.m. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The session was extended for an additional 5 minutes. No action was taken.

TOWNSHIP BUDGETS

County Clerk Rebecca Brassart presented the township budgets. However, the township of Lola has not yet submitted its budget. The board decided to table the matter and wait until Lola submits its budget before taking further action.

CIC WEBSITE TRAINING

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve a \$700.00 contract with CIC for a 4-hour training with county staff on website management. The board also approved issuing a special check from the Tech Fund to cover the cost. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2026 COUNTY BUDGETS

County Clerk Rebecca Brassart discussed setting a due date for the 2026 county budgets. The board agreed that budgets will be due by June 2, 2025. Commissioners also requested meetings with department heads to discuss budget planning.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development Director Dale Helwig provided an overview the recent activities and initiatives undertaken by the Economic Development Committee.

SECURITY EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier moved for a 5-minute executive session for security purposes with the Board and County Counselor Jake Conard, set to return at 10:08 a.m. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve payment of an invoice for \$4695.60 for a one-year subscription to Proforma Thomson Reuters for attorney research. The expenditure will be paid from the Tech Fund. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

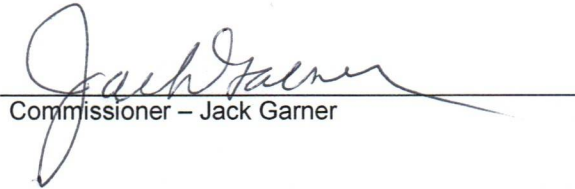
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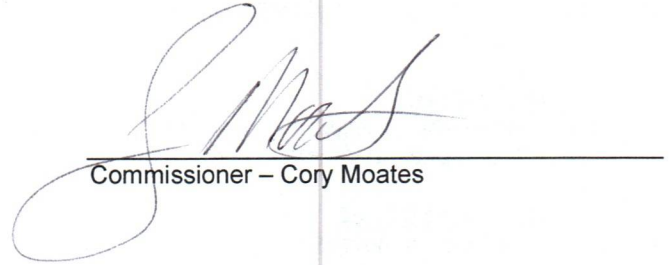
At 10:44 AM, Commissioner Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 19 day of May 2025.


County Clerk – Rebecca Brassart


Commissioner Chairman – Myra Carlisle Frazier


Commissioner – Jack Garner


Commissioner – Cory Moates