

MINUTES FOR MAY 13, 2019**BOARD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS****CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS**

Chairman Cory Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (The Board), to order at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 13, 2019 in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 West Maple, Columbus, Kansas. Commissioner Neal Anderson opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Cory Moates, Neal Anderson, Myra Carlisle Frazier, County Counselor Barbara Wright, and County Clerk Rodney Edmondson were present.

Members of the press present: Larry Hiatt

A motion was made by Commissioner Frazier to approve the Minutes of the May 6, 2019 BOCC meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Leonard Vanatta, County Road Supervisor appeared before the Board on county road business. He stated that Sandra Friend contacted him about removing a fence in the Wirtonia Cemetery at the request of some farmers. She is asking the county to pay for the removal. Leonard stated that it is all private property. The Board denied the request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson for an executive session for the discipline of non-elected personnel with the Board, Counselor Wright, and Leonard Vanatta. The meeting will reconvene at 9:30 a.m. in the commission room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moates. The motion carried 3-0.

The meeting reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

There was no action taken during the executive session.

At 10:00 a.m. Clerk Edmondson opened and read the sealed bids for providing commodities for the highway department.

Doug Carroll with Frost Oil stated that their bid prices include the 13-15% increase in prices that is projected to occur at the end of May. The Board asked Leonard to check with MFA Oil to see if their bid prices include the same projected increase in prices.

The Board set June 3rd as the date to award the contracts and asked Leonard to review the bids prior to that date.

The Board discussed the ½ cent jail sales tax being used to pay for the financing of the construction of the jail. The final payment is set for December 1, 2020.

Jason Allison presented a disaster resolution and proclamation for the Board to consider. The proclamation could open up grant funds. He stated that recent high water conditions has caused an accumulation of debris around several bridges and washed out some whistles that will now

need repair. He has asked Leonard to keep track of time and materials that are being used in the repairs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to adopt Resolution 08-2019 and Proclamation of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Cherokee County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Dave Eddington and Amy Saporito appeared before the Board seeking donations for the Babe Ruth Baseball and Softball programs that are hosting tournaments in June and July. Both leagues are going to be hosting state tournaments and the girl's league will be hosting a regional tournament. The Board took their request under advisement.

Susan Schultz representing the County Extension Board appeared before the Board about their request from last week for funding assistance for their sign project. The Board agreed to donate \$250 from each commissioner's recreation fund for a total donation of \$750.

The Board agreed to donate \$300 to the Columbus Babe Ruth baseball program, \$100 from each of the commissioner's recreation fund. The Board agreed to donate \$300 to the Columbus Babe Ruth softball program, \$100 from each of the commissioner's recreation fund.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to recess until 12:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0 at 11:00 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

Wayne Elliott and Rebecca Brassart appeared before the Board for a budget workshop for the 911 Mapping and Addressing Department.

Leonard Vanatta appeared before the Board for a budget workshop and employee review for the Road & Bridge Department.

The Board changed the pay scale of some positions for the Road & Bridge, County Clerk, and County Election departments.

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting set for Monday, May 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 2:37 p.m.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 20th day of May, 2019

County Commissioner



County Commissioner



County Commissioner



Cherokee County Clerk

08-2019

RESOLUTION # ___ AND PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMATION of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Cherokee County, Kansas:

WHEREAS on the 28 day of April, 2019, the Board of Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas finds that certain conditions have caused, or eminently threaten to cause wide-spread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property in disaster property proportion in Cherokee County, Kansas.

WHEREAS, such conditions have created obstructions which endanger health, safety, and welfare of persons and property within the border of Cherokee County, Kansas.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas.

That the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, under and by virtue of the authority vested in it by K.S.A. 1976 Supp. 48-932, does hereby PROCLAIM that a State of Local Disaster Emergency exists.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED that the area within the border of Cherokee County, Kansas covered by this proclamation/resolution is the entire area of Cherokee County, Kansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Board has all rights and/or powers to perform such functions as are vested in said Board by and through the provisions of the Kansas Emergency Preparedness Act of 1975.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED that this resolution shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days unless terminated earlier or renewed by consent of the governing body.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THIS 13 DAY OF May, 2019.

Myra Chelise FRAZIER
COUNTY COMMISSION

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CHAIRMAN

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MEMBER

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COUNTY CLERK