## **MINUTES FOR APRIL 15, 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, April 15, 2019 in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. Commissioner Myra Carlisle Frazier 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 April 8, 2019 BOCC meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Clerk Edmondson reported that he has spoken with CIC and they are willing to create a webpage on the County's website for the Solid Waste Committee at no additional charge.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to have CIC create a webpage for the Solid Waste Committee on the County's website. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Counselor Wright stated that she has reviewed Resolution 09-2016 that established permanent stop signs at NW 10<sup>th</sup> St. & Center Star Rd. She stated that a resolution would be needed to repeal Resolution 09-2016 in order to remove those signs. She stated that any other signs that were temporary for road construction purposes can be removed at any time. Commissioners Anderson and Frazier will take a look at that area. She reported that the Brandon Johnson case against the County and Sheriff Groves is moving towards depositions. She reported that a notice of appeal has been filed by the State of Kansas against the Quapaw Tribe attempting to move land in Kansas into Trust.

The Board discussed with Ralph Houser the bids from Touchton Electric & Alarms, and Federal Protection, Inc. for an alarm system for the courthouse.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to enter a contract with Federal Protection, Inc. for door alarms and water sensors for the courthouse. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0.

Becky Hill appeared before the Board regarding a property dispute with property that she claims to have leased for 99 years. Sheriff Groves stated that from a law enforcement point of view, it appears that neither party in dispute appears to have a legal right to the property and has suggested numerous times to take it to court. Counselor Wright stated that this is a law enforcement matter or a civil matter that needs to be argued in court. The Board took no action.

Louis Schreiner, County Lot Supervisor, appeared before the Board on county road business. He reported that the new Lincoln welder is here. Commissioner Anderson asked him to check on the condition of NW 60<sup>th</sup> St. Commissioner Frazier asked him to check on the water that is backing up in the area north of the Oak Hill Cemetery.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates for an executive session for the discipline of non-elected personnel with the Board, Counselor Wright, Clerk Edmondson, and Louis Schreiner. The meeting will reconvene in the commission room at 10:25 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:25 a.m.

Commissioner Moates reported that KDOT has reimbursed the County \$35,933.99 for rock that was used for the Highway 7 detour. He stated that the money will be put back into the rock budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frazier for an Attorney/Client executive session for contract purposes with the Board, Counselor Wright, and Clerk Edmondson. The meeting will reconvene at 10:56 a.m. in the commission room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 10:46 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:56 a.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frazier for an Attorney/Client executive session for contract purposes with the Board, Counselor Wright, and Clerk Edmondson. The meeting will reconvene at 11:08 a.m. in the commission room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moates. The motion carried 3-0 at 10:57 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 11:08 a.m.

No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to recess until 12:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 11:10 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

Janet Miller appeared before the Board for a budget workshop for the Economic Development Corporation.

Ralph Houser appeared before the Board for a budget workshop for the County Courthouse Budget.

Rodney Edmondson appeared before the Board for a budget workshop for the County Clerk & Election Budgets.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates for an executive session with the Board for the purpose of non-elected personnel discipline. The meeting will reconvene at 3:12 p.m. in the commission room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 2:52 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 3:12 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frazier for an executive session with the Board for the purpose of non-elected personnel discipline. The meeting will reconvene at 3:45 p.m. in the commission room. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moates. The motion carried 3-0 at 3:13 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 3:45 p.m.

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting set for Monday, April 22, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 3:46 p.m.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 22nd day of April, 2019

Cherokee County Clerk

Commissioner

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