

MINUTES for May 19, 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 19, 2025, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County Deputy Clerk, Michelle Mosler, opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Jack Garner, Cory Moates, Myra Frazier, County Counselor Jake Conard, County Deputy Clerk Michelle Mosler, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, Road and Bridge employees Sean Shipman and Junior Neil, EPA Representative Todd Campbell, 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 12, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve the hire of Andrew McCartney as a Utility Operator with a CDL Class A license, effective May 19, 2025, at a rate of \$17.00/hour. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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

ATTORNEY RESEARCH

Commissioner Frazier moved to change payment of an invoice for \$4695.60 for a one-year subscription to Proforma Thomson Reuters for attorney research to be taken from Planning Commission ARPA funds instead of the Tech Fund. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY-CLIENT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier moved to enter into a 30-minute executive session for attorney-client communication with the Board, Special County Council Matt Bonner, and County Counselor Jake Conard present. The session was set to return at 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously. No action was taken.

ATTORNEY-CLIENT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier moved to enter into a 10-minute executive session for attorney-client communication with the Board, Special County Council Matt Bonner, and County Counselor Jake Conard present. The session was set to return at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously. No action was taken.

AFLAC

Aflac representative Kaden Sanders gave a presentation on what he could offer the county. He was advised to put together a packet and email it to Commissioner Frazier.

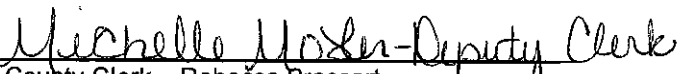
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

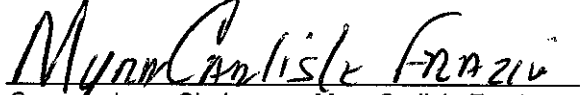
EPA Representative Thomas Kaley discussed with the board what they are doing to help with the roads and damage their trucks are doing to them. They stated that they have money set aside to help repair the roads when they are finished. They told the board they would come to the commission meetings quarterly to give updates.


ADJOURNMENT


At 10:39 AM, Commissioner Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 23 day of May 2025.


County Clerk – Rebecca Brassart


Commissioner Chairman – Myra Carlisle Frazier


Commissioner – Jack Garner


Commissioner – Cory Moates