

**MINUTES for April 14, 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, April 14, 2025, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. Commissioner 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, News Report owner Larry Hiatt, SEK-CAP representative Casey Brown, Tony Spieth, and Samantha Wyatt were present.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the minutes as presented from April 7, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### APPROVAL OF PAYABLES

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the payables as presented from April 7, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier moved for a 5-minute attorney-client executive session with Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook to return at 9:07 a.m. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.  
No action taken.

#### APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve the payroll as presented from April 7, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### ROAD AND BRIDGE

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the hire of Treg Easley as a Utility Operator, effective April 14, 2025, at a rate of \$16.00/hour. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Update:

Cody Zook reported that the Rainbow Bridge project is scheduled to be completed by April 17, 2025, with reopening pending installation of new signage.

#### SEK-CAP

SEK-CAP representative Casey Brown requested a letter of support for the Federal Black Grant. Commissioner Moates move to authorize Chair Commissioner Frazier to sign the letter of support. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### VACATE

Dave Humble requested to have some alleyways vacated on/around his properties in Corona. Commissioners advised that a petition to vacate must be completed and submitted for review.

#### CEREAL MALT LICENSE APPROVAL

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Downstream Development Authority. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### CHEROKEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Commissioner Frazier moved to authorize the Planning Board Chair to sign a contract for services with zoning consultant Mel Hess at a rate of \$20.00/hour. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### RECESS

Commissioner Moates moved to recess until 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### RECONVENE

Commissioner Frazier moved to reconvene meeting at 10:25 a.m. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### RETAIN COUNSEL

Commissioner Frazier moved to hire Attorney Matt Bonner as counsel for the fence viewing matter involving landowners Levi and Robynn Snow and the JSM Trust, at a rate of \$150.00/hour. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### ATTORNEY CLIENT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Moates moved for a 20-minute attorney-client executive session with the Board and Attorney Matt Bonner, to return at 10:55 a.m. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The session was extended session for 5 additional minutes.

No action taken.

### FENCE VIEWING

Commissioner Moates moved

1. That the barbed wire fence observed by Commissioner Garner on or about April 1<sup>st</sup>, shall be deemed the partition fence for the shared boundaries between Parcel "A" (owned by Levi and Robynn Snow) and Parcel "B" (owned by JSM Trust). Parcels A & B share approximately 773.36 feet of common boundary line; to wit: 434.36 fee on the east side of Parcel A and 339 feet on the south side of Parcel A.
2. The assignment of responsibility for the upkeep, maintenance and repair of the partition fence line described above shall be as follows:
  - a. The owners of parcel "A," are hereby assigned full responsibility for the repair of the barbed-wire fence that had been standing on the southern shared property line, to be built with the same specifications as set forth in K.S.A. 29-105(a)
  - b. The owners of parcel "A" and the owners of parcel "B," are hereby assigned responsibility for the upkeep, maintenance and repair of a barbed-wire fence, with the same specifications as set forth in K.S.A. 29-105(a) along the eastern shared property line with the owners sharing the cost of such upkeep, maintenance and repair on a 50/50 basis.
  - c. After the construction of the barbed-wire fence along the southern and eastern shared property lines is completed, the owners of parcel "A" and the owners of parcel "B" are hereby assigned responsibility for the upkeep, maintenance, and repair of said barbed-wire fence on a 50/50 basis.
3. That the partition fence described above shall be maintained and kept in at least as good a condition and state of repair as is required by Kansas law.
4. This Assignment shall be recorded by the Register of Deeds of Riley County, Kansas, pursuant to K.S.A. 29-304.

Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

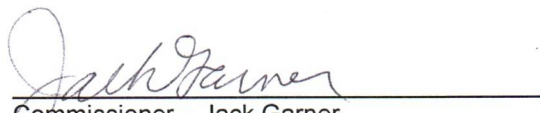
### ADJOURNMENT


Commissioner Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**ATTEST:** Resolved and ordered this 21 day of April 2025.

  
 County Clerk – Rebecca Brassart

  
 Commissioner Chairman – Myra Carlisle Frazier

  
 Commissioner – Jack Garner

  
 Commissioner – Cory Moates