

**MINUTES for January 30, 2023**  
**BOARD of CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'**  
**CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS**

**CONVENE**

Chairman Cory Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (the Board), to order at 9:00 AM on Monday, January 30, 2023, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County commissioner Lorie Johnson opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Cory Moates, Lorie Johnson, Myra Frazier, county clerk Rebecca Brassart, road and bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, noxious weed director JC Parsons and county counselor Nathan Coleman and Owner of the News Report Larry Hiatt were present.

**APPROVAL of MINUTES**

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the January 23, 2023, meeting. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**NOXIOUS WEED**

JC Parsons came before the Board to request that they sign his management plan and the annual weed eradication progress report that he is required to turn into the state.

**ROAD and BRIDGE**

Cody Zook came before the Board to inform them that he is working on the quick claim deeds for the 11C-5153-01 bridge 13-0.8 bridge project on SE Wyandotte. Cody stated the engineer for the bridge project will be here on either February 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Cody informed the Board that he will be starting employee reviews on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and will begin open interviews next week.

Zook stated that KDOT will be working on the ditching issue on SE 90<sup>th</sup> where the new highway is being built.

Commissioner Johnson discussed the issue with Star Valley Rd and offered the millings which B3 has for the county to use on the road to fix it. Johnson also informed Cody that the bridge by Joe Mooney's has not been painted, she also discussed the issue with the road at NW 20<sup>th</sup> ST and Egret.

**CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE**

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve the cereal malt beverage license for off premise consumption for Pittsburg Travel Plaza. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**KCAMP**

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve the KCAMP invoice in the amount of \$279,172 to be paid out of courthouse. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Moates made a motion to amend the KCAMP motion by striking the wording "paid out of courthouse" and that it be replaced with "paid out of employee benefits". Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**TOWNSHIP**

Rebecca Brassart county clerk presented the Board with the audit report of all the townships and fire district that reside in the county so that the Board might approve them. Upon review of the audits the Board requested a better accounting audit from Lola township. The Board also stated that they would like more time to review the audit book before approving it.



**SPRING RIVER HEALTH and WELLNESS**

Stacy Manbeck and Don Schroedle with Spring River Health came before the Board to give and update and to have the Board sign the Mental Health Funding Agreement for 2023 in the amount of \$125,457.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Jared Glover emergency manager came before the Board to update them on the grant money that he has received. Glover stated he was told that once the money comes back to the county that it is allowed to be used on anything.

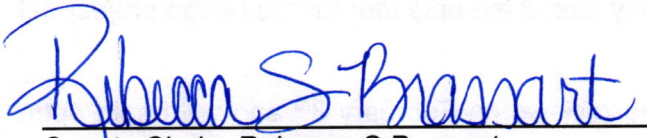
Jared presented the Board with vehicle quotes he has received from the within the county. After some discussion the Board requested to have a work session next week with Emergency Manager Jared Glover, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook and County Sheriff David Groves. The Board is requesting that each department bring a current inventory list of all vehicles that are currently being used in those departments.


Commissioner Johnson requested that Glover reach out to the taxpayer in Cherokee county who still has not put a fence around their sewer lagoon in Hallowell.

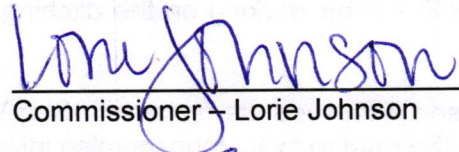
**ADJOURNMENT**

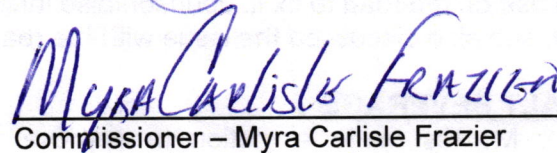
Commissioner Moates made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 6th day of February 2023.**

  
County Clerk - Rebecca S Brassart

  
Commissioner Chair – Cory Moates

  
Commissioner – Lorie Johnson

  
Commissioner – Myra Carlisle Frazier