RESOLUTION NO. 10-2018

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS, REGARDING THE FIRE DISTRICT PROPOSAL AND PUBLIC HEARING HELD MARCH 12, 2018.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS:

WHEREAS, the proposal to establish fire districts in thirteen townships within Cherokee County, Kansas, was introduced by the Governing Body, the Cherokee County Board of County Commissioners, by its Resolution No. 05-2018, on February 5, 2018. A public hearing was scheduled for March 12, 2018.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted by the Cherokee County Board of County Commissioners on March 12, 2018, with interested residents attending and participating.

SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORITY. K.S.A. 19-101, *et. seq.*, and K.S.A. 19-212 authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, to transact all County business and perform all powers of local legislation deemed appropriate, and to make all contracts and do all other acts in relation to the property and concerns of the County necessary to the exercise of its corporate or administrative powers.

SECTION 2. PROJECT AND ADMINISTRATION. The fire departments within Cherokee County require adequate funding in order to provide necessary equipment and resources in support of firefighters who respond to the emergencies occurring within Cherokee County. Funding responsibilities should be appropriately and fairly shared throughout the County utilizing the tax levy process available to the governing bodies of incorporated and unincorporated municipalities within Cherokee County.

SECTION 3. SCOPE OF THE PROJECT. It is the intention of the Governing Body that the proposal to establish formal fire districts shall be taken under advisement and a final decision continued for further consideration after review in June or July, 2018. The Governing Body shall review: (1) all township budgets, certified for the 2019 fiscal year, addressing taxes levied in support of responding fire departments; (2) written agreements between townships and the respective incorporated municipalities reflecting the terms and conditions of township funds budgeted as contributions to municipalities' responding fire departments; and (3) mutual aid

agreements among fire departments serving Cherokee County.

SECTION 4. PUBLICATION. This Resolution shall be published in the County's official newspaper.

SECTION 5. CONFLICT. That all resolutions, County policies or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed insofar as they conflict herewith.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee

County, Kansas, this ZC day of March, 2018.

Cory Moates, Chairman Cherokee County Commissioner

Patrick Collins Cherokee County Commissioner

ATTEST

Rodney D. Edmondson, County Clerk

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