

**MINUTES for November 7, 2022**  
**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 9:05 AM on Monday, November 7, 2022, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County clerk employee Tonia Altis opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Cory Moates, Lorie Johnson, Myra Frazier, county clerk employee Tonia Altis, Road and Bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, County Counselor Nathan Coleman and Owner of the News Report Larry Hiatt were present.

**APPROVAL of MINUTES**

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the October 31, 2022, meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the November 1, 2022, special meeting. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**ROAD and BRIDGE**

Cody Zook talked with the Board about roofing quotes and presented his choice of Ridgeline, because of the better warranty and not much higher than the lowest quote from the other roofers. Commissioner Frazier asked where the funds would come from.

After deliberation by the Board, Commissioner Johnson made a motion for the roof to be paid from ARPA in the amount of \$52,150. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Zook also discussed that with the selling of the equipment, that he is not able to outreach well. He has found an Auction company out of KC. Cody then explained that the auction company would allow him to sell an item and if it didn't sell, they would not charge. So Zook asked the Commissioners their thoughts on him trying to sell one of the new graters and use that money for a dump truck. They tabled the idea for a later discussion.

Cody informed the Board that the bridge at SW 110<sup>th</sup> is back open and that the field check would be Tuesday at 10 am.

There was discussion about the dust control to be put on county roads and Cody said that he will have a truck load soon and he had found out that the county pays for it up front and the state will refund.

Cody ended by inviting the Commissioners out to the lot at noon because the Master Tech Truck guy will be there.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Jared Glove Emergency Manager came to discuss the FEMA proposals. Glover stated that leased properties that the county owns, need to have insurance on them, and can charge whatever, but they cannot be sold, only gifted.

Glover gave a list to the Board which showed all 37 properties, 31 being leased. Jared will let the board know next week which of them are the leased properties.

Commissioner Frazier asked Jared about insuring them and also to look into what it would cost to ensure that the lease amounts cover the costs. The board discussed the possibility of gifting some of the properties to the Government and schools.