

**MINUTES for January 9, 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 9, 2023, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. Commissioner Cory Moates opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Lorie Johnson, Myra Frazier, county clerk Rebecca Brassart, road and bridge supervisor Cody Zook, Joni Hicks and News Report owner Larry Hiatt were present.

**APPROVAL of MINUTES**

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the December 28, 2022, meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL of PAYROLL**

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve the payroll as presented. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL of PAYABLES**

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve the payables in the amount of \$658,546.35. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**ROAD and BRIDGE**

Cody Zook came before the Board to discuss with them the Wyandotte bridge project 11C-5153-01

Cody then proceeded to update the Board on his plans for the start of the new year.

Zook also discussed with the Board blade patching and informed the Board of the sale proceeds from Auction Time.

Cody requested an executive session with the Board. Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 15 minute non elect personnel executive session with Cody, the Board and county counselor Nathan Coleman to return at 9:58 a.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken because of the executive session.

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY**

Rebecca Brassart was sworn in by The Honorable Judge Maradeth Fredrick as the newly elected Cherokee County Clerk.

Myra Carlisle Frazier was sworn in by county clerk Rebecca Brassart as the newly elected Commissioner of the 1<sup>st</sup> District.

Nathan Coleman was sworn in by county clerk Rebecca Brassart as the newly elected County Attorney.

Michaela Heistand was sworn in by county clerk Rebecca Brassart as the newly appointed Deputy County Clerk.

After the ceremony was held all visitors were served cookies and punch.

**2023 REORGINIZATION**

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to appoint commissioner Cory Moates as Chairman of the Board for the