MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 12, 2018

BOARD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS

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Chairman Cory Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (The Board), to order at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 12, 2018 in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County Clerk Rodney Edmondson opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Cory Moates, Pat Collins, Neal Anderson, County Counselor Barbara Wright, and County Clerk Rodney Edmondson were present.

Members of the press present: Larry Hiatt

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the Minutes of the October 5, 2018 BOCC meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to enter an Attorney/Client executive session for policy matters with the Board, Counselor Wright, and Clerk Edmondson for a period of 15 minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moates. The motion carried 3-0 at 9:11 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:26 a.m.

Art Mallory presented a dilapidated property in Lowell for review by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to go forward with condemnation proceedings on the property located at 8931 SE 72nd Ter., Baxter Springs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to freeze spending in the Road & Bridge Department until the end of the year, without prior Board approval. The motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Commissioner Collins to go forward with the additional spending of \$48,000 for District 1 asphalting, from Casino money. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 2-1 with Commissioner Moates voting no.

Susan Galemore from the SEK Regional Planning Commission appeared before the Board regarding the CDBG Grant application for the Crestline sidewalk project.

Chairman Moates opened the public hearing for the CDBG Grant Application for the Crestline project at 10:00 a.m. The project is for 2,700 feet of concrete sidewalk on the east side of the highway through Crestline. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$329,736 with the county portion being \$164,868. The Board heard objections from several residents in attendance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 10:16 a.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to not move forward with the project due to the cost. The motion died for the lack of a second.

Commissioner Anderson stated that he would like time to think about it. Galemore stated that the Board could take some time, but she needs to know by October 31st in order to prepare the paperwork.

The Board placed the item on the agenda for October 22nd at 10:00 a.m. for final decision.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to freeze spending for the Road & Bridge Department, beyond the asphalting approved for District 1, without prior Board approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Mary Jones of Crestline appeared in support of the Crestline sidewalk project. She thought the hearing was set for 10:40 a.m.

Commissioner Moates made a motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting set for Monday, October 22, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 10:39 a.m.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 22nd day of October, 2018

Cherokee County Clerk

<u>Commissioner</u>

Commissioner