

**MINUTES FOR JUNE 13, 2011****COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY****OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK****CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD**

The Cherokee County Commissioners met June 13, 2011. Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present. Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve the amended Commission Minutes as presented by the Cherokee County Clerk Crystal Gatewood for June 6, 2011; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hilderbrand with Commissioners Hilderbrand, Collins, and Garner voting in favor. Commissioners Hilderbrand, Collins and Garner, and County Clerk Gatewood signed off on the minutes.

**MOTIONS MADE BY COMMISSION**

Commissioner Garner made a motion to take a break for fifteen minutes; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to pay and approve June 2011 Mid-Month Accounts Payables; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hilderbrand with Commissioners Collins, Hilderbrand, and Garner voting in favor.

Commissioner Garner made a motion to amend the Agenda and move John Green from 11:30 AM to 11:15 AM; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor.

Commissioner Collins made a motion for the Commissioners to receive \$40.00 a month for the use of their cell phones, Commissioner Garner amended and seconded the motion to exclude Commissioners Garner and Hilderbrand; with Commissioners Collins and Garner voting in favor and Commissioner Hilderbrand voting no (Commissioner Garner adding that he and Commissioner Hilderbrand use their cell phones for personal and business use and Commissioner Collins uses his for only commission business. Also Commissioner Garner attested that \$40.00 won't completely cover the monthly bill, and Commissioner Collins thought the county should furnish all commissioners a cell phone and pay the monthly bill.).

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Leonard Vanatta discussed that general county and road maintenance was being done by his department and everything was going well. There was a discussion about problem weeds near the sewage plant and Commissioner Collins decided that spraying them should do the job.

Jan Bolin of Class Limited came before the commission to present the 2012 budget proposal; she requested 1 mill due to the increase in services and the decrease of state and grant funding. She also discussed the services offered by Class LTD to the citizens. The budget for 2012 was given to Clerk Gatewood.

Kyle Phillips of Herzog Environmental came before the commission to request an emergency permit for a C and D Landfill near US 400 and I-44, after a brief discussion Kyle Phillips withdrew the request.

Tamara Landis came before the commission to request an emergency permit for an additional C and D landfill area near Wyandotte Road. The commission explained she needed to get with area landowners and find out how they feel about adding to the current landfill located there.

John Green, the Director of Southeast Kansas Area on the Aging, came before the commission to submit his 2012 budget proposal for the agency. He requested \$7,000.00, which is the same as 2011. The budget proposal was given to Clerk Gatewood. Mr. Green also gave an update on the services that the agency provides for the elderly citizens of Cherokee County.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Garner made a motion to break for lunch; Commissioner Collins seconded the motion with Commissioners Hilderbrand, Collins, and Garner voting in favor. Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to amend the previous motion and adjourn at 11:30 AM; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Hilderbrand, Garner, and Collins voting in favor. The next Cherokee County Commission meeting will be held June 20, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas.

**Resolved and ordered this day, June 20, 2011**

  
Cherokee County Clerk

  
Commissioner

  
Commissioner

  
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