## Minutes for April 20, 2020 County Board of Cherokee Commissioners Cherokee County Kansas

Chairperson Frazier called the regular session of the Cherokee County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Monday April 20, 2020 in courtroom #216, Cherokee County Courthouse, located at 110, West Maple, Columbus Kansas. County Clerk, Kyle Rennie opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Myra Frazier, Neal Anderson, Corey Moates, County Counselor, Barbara Wright and County Clerk, Kyle Rennie were present. Members of the press present Larry Hiatt.

Commissioner Frazier moved to go into executive session at 9:02 a.m. with County Counselor, Barbara Wright for non-elected personnel discipline and to reconvene at 9:13 a.m. Commissioner Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0. Meeting reconvened at 9:13 a.m. No action taken

Commissioner Moates moved to accept and approve the April 13, 2020 minutes as presented, Commissioner Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Leonard Vanatta reported on County road conditions.

Discussion was held on the upcoming 2021 budget process.

Sherriff David Groves, Betha Elliot, Cherokee County Health Department Manager, and Jason Allison, Emergency Preparedness Manager reported on COVID -19 in the county, reporting no new cases in the county. With 6 of the 7 recovered and the remaining one still in recovery. Sherriff Groves also reported a coalition of SW-MO, SE-KS, and NE-OK. Has been formed to help monitor COVID-19. Jason Allison submitted a bid for repairs on the Downstream casino siren with a range from \$5478.00 to \$8134.48. Commissioner Anderson moved to have Chairperson Frazier sign for THE BOARD representing THE BOARD for the siren repairs. Commissioner Moates 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, Motion passed 3-0.

Sherriff Groves reported Attorney Kevin Cure had completed the 141 deeds from the February 2020 delinquent property tax sale.

Commissioner Moates moved to go into executive session at 9:48 a.m. with County Counselor, Barbara Wright for non-elected personnel discipline and to reconvene at 10:13 a.m. Commissioner Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0. Meeting reconvened at 10:13 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Frazier moved to go into executive session at 10:18 a.m. with County counselor, Barbara Wright and Mark Hixon for non-elected personnel discipline and to reconvene at 10: 30 a.m. Commissioner Anderson 2<sup>nd,</sup> motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Frazier moved to accept and approve pay period ending April 10, 2020 with the exception of 8 hours for each of the four staff in The Appraisers Department for unapproved administrative leave due to the Covid-19 Statewide closing. Staff have the option to replace those hours with vacation or personnel time. Commissioner Moates 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moates moved to accept and approve accounts payable Commissioner Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moats moved to decline membership in the EPA Landfill Methane Outreach Program, Commissioner Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Moates Moved to adjourn until the next regular session April 27, 2020. Commissioner Anderson  $2^{nd}$  the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 27th day of April 2020

**County Clerk Commissioner** 

Commissioner