

**MINUTES for June 9, 2025**  
**BOARD of CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'**  
**CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS**

**CONVENE**

Chair Myra Carlisle Frazier called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (the Board), to order at 9:00 AM on Monday, June 9, 2025, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County Commissioner, Cory Moates, opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Jack Garner, Cory Moates, Myra Frazier, County Counselor Jake Conard, County Deputy Clerk Michelle Mosler, Road and Bridge Employee Sean Shipman, Galena Sentinel Times Editor Machel Smith, and News Report owner Larry Hiatt were present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the minutes as presented from June 2, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF PAYROLL**

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the payroll as presented. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF PAYABLES**

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve the payables as presented. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Road and Bridge Employee Sean Shipman provided an update on current projects, with the primary focus on repairing washouts caused by recent rainfall.

**SEK-CAP**

Casey Brown addressed the board to request a letter of support and financial assistance to help maintain transportation routes within the county to medical facilities. The routes run five days per week throughout the year.

**HR COUNTY BUDGET**

The board reviewed the 2026 HR budget with HR Director Deana Randall.

**TOURISM GRANT**

Commissioner Garner moved to approve a \$500.00 tourism grant to Big Dreams for a Small Town to purchase a grill for the park they are building near Big Brutus. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER COUNTY BUDGET**

The board reviewed the 2026 budget with Cherokee County Treasurer Heather Sapp.

**REMOVAL OF NRP'S**

- Commissioner Frazier moved to remove project number N2024-09 due to noncompliance of the NRP rules. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Frazier moved to remove project number 2023-47 due to noncompliance of the NRP rules. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Frazier moved to remove project number 2023-41 due to noncompliance of the NRP rules. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Frazier moved to remove project number 2023-38 due to noncompliance of the NRP rules. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Frazier moved to remove project number 2022-62 due to noncompliance of the NRP rules. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Frazier moved to remove project number 2020-34 due to noncompliance of the NRP rules. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**SEK-CAP**

Commissioner Moates moved to sign a letter of support for SEK-CAP transportation services. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**HEARING AND VACATE RESOLUTIONS**

- Tom Humble  
 With no objections, Commissioner Moates moved to adopt resolution 12-2025. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- Warren Scott Vacate  
With no objections, Commissioner Garner moved to adopt resolution 13-2025. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Charlene Mannex Vacate  
With no objections Commissioner Moates moved to adopt resolution 14-2025. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Cassy Spoonemore Vacate  
With no objections Commissioner Frazier moved to adopt resolution 15-2025. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE RAISES**

Commissioner Moates moved to increase Jess Frasher's salary from \$15.00 to \$16.00 per hour. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Moates moved to increase Michaela Histan's salary from \$15.00 to \$16.00 per hour. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS COUNTY BUDGET**

The board reviewed the 2026 budget with Register of Deeds Karen Johnston.

**CONSERVATION DISTRICT COUNTY BUDGET**

The board reviewed the 2026 budget with Conservation Director Paul Bone.

**APPRAISER/GIS COUNTY BUDGET**

The board reviewed the 2026 budget with Appraiser DeLinda White.

**NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Frazier moved to enter into a 15-minute executive session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel, with the Board, Appraiser DeLinda White present. The session was set to return at 11:10 a.m. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT COUNTY BUDGET**

The board reviewed the 2026 budget with Health Department Director Peyton Kessler and Office Deputy Brenda Clugston.

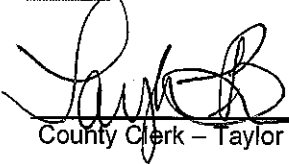
**NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Moates moved to enter into a 10-minute executive session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel, with the Board. The session was set to return at 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 11:50 AM, Commissioner Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Moates seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

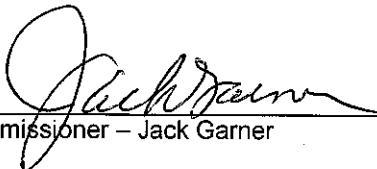
**ATTEST:** Resolved and ordered this 16 day of June 2025.



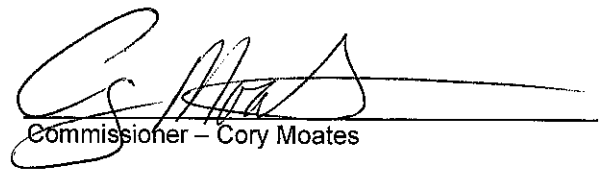
County Clerk – Taylor Brown



Commissioner Chairman – Myra Carlisle Frazier



Commissioner – Jack Garner



Commissioner – Cory Moates