

MINUTES for September 15, 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, September 15, 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 Supervisor Cody Zook, Larry and Sheila Price, Toni Spieth, Galena Sentinel Times Editor Mabelle Smith, and News Report owner Larry Hiatt were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Moates moved to approve the minutes as presented from September 8, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Frazier 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 Supervisor Cody Zook provided an update on asphalt and edge lines.

MUSHROOM ORDINANCE

Deputy County Attorney Ethan Manke presented the board with a proposal to prohibit the consumption, possession, manufacture, and distribution of hallucinogenic flora and fungi, except for medical reasons, in the county. The board will review the proposal and make a decision at a later date.

BUKATY COMPANIES

- Commissioner Moates moved to approve the Chair to sign the Amendment to Administrative Services Agreement. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Moates moved to approve the Chair to sign the Summary of Material Modification and Amendment #4 of Employee Benefit Plan. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Commissioner Moates moved to authorize County Counselor, Jake Conard to sign the Opioid Settlement Agreement. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

EMS ASSOCIATION VEHICLE OWNERSHIP

The board discussed how the EMS ambulances are tagged. The board tabled the matter and requested that EMS bring insurance documentation for ambulance coverage to the next meeting, as the ambulances are currently tagged with government tags.

ATTORNEY-CLIENT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier moved to enter into a 10-minute executive session for attorney-client communication with the Board and County Counselor Jake Conard present. The session was set to return at 10:10 a.m. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The session was extended for 10 minutes. No action was taken.

RETAIN COUNCIL

Commissioner Moates moved to retain Kriegshauser and Ney for legal consultation and possible representation regarding Cherokee County regulating renewable energy, not to exceed \$5000 at this time, and to authorize the Board Chair to sign the engagement letter. Commissioner Frazier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

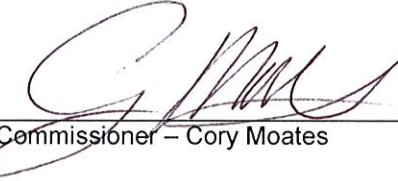
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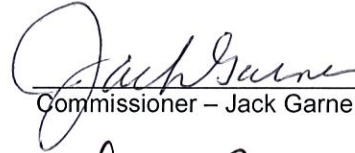
ADJOURNMENT


At 10:23 a.m., Commissioner Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Garner seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 22 day of September 2025.


Commissioner Chairwoman – Myra Carlisle Frazier


Commissioner – Cory Moates


Commissioner – Jack Garner


County Clerk – Taylor Brown