

**MINUTES FOR JUNE 18, 2012**

**COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY**

**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK**

**CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD**

The Cherokee County Commissioners met June 18, 2012. Those in attendance were Commissioners Collins, Hilderbrand, and Garner. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Commissioner Collins made a motion to table the commission meeting minutes for June 11, 2012 so the County Counselor could review the commission re-districting numbers; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Collins and Hilderbrand voting in favor.

Clerk Gatewood submitted a voucher to the commission from Labette County Bank for the payments for February, March, April, May, and June 2012 in the amount of \$9,211.05 to be taken out of General Fund #100 line item, within that fund is Courthouse #30080/89 for the Storm Siren payments. Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, Collins, and Clerk Gatewood signed off on the voucher. The next loan payment will be due July 7, 2012 and the payment amount each month thereafter is \$1,842.21. The County Counselor had put into the Lease Purchase Agreement to be paid during Mid-Month Accounts Payables each month till paid off. All future payments will be taken out of Fund #100, Courthouse line item #30080/89. Labette Bank is sending the amount of \$63,511.00 to be deposited in the County General Fund - Courthouse line item within Fund #100.

**MOTIONS BY COMMISSION**

Commissioner Garner made a motion to move John Green from 10:00 AM to 9:52 AM on the agenda; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

**Register of Deeds Barbara Bilke requested an EXECUTIVE SESSION for Personnel Non/Elected with herself and the three commissioners.** Commissioner Garner made a motion to go into Executive Session for five minutes for Personnel Non/Elected with himself, Commissioners Collins and Hilderbrand, and Register of Deeds Barbara Bilke; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. They went in at 10:24 AM and returned at 10:29 AM.

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## OTHER BUSINESS

Myra Carlisle came before the commission to renew the listing of the Galena property at \$59,900.00 for six months. The commission agreed and Clerk Gatewood signed off on the renewal paperwork for the county. Ms. Carlisle said she had three or four showings on the home in the last four weeks. Commissioner Collins agreed to make sure the yard is mowed. The commission thanked her for coming in.

John Green from the Area on the Aging submitted his 2013 budget proposal and is asking a commitment of \$7,000.00 from the county, the same amount as last year. The commission thanked him for coming in.

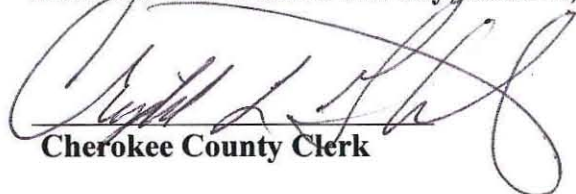
County Appraiser Nancy Herrenbruck brought in the valuation reports from her office for 2012. She said it's not as bad as she had earlier reported, values are up a little and she has spoken to other Appraisers in other counties and some of them are reporting being in worse shape. She reported she was having problems with the city of Galena not reporting new building permits so her office is checking the area for new structures very closely. Commissioner Collins made a phone call to the City Clerk in Galena to make sure she sends the building permits to the County Appraiser. Nancy Herrenbruck also praised the Baxter Springs City Clerk's Office for promptly e-mailing all updates involving building permits. The Appraiser gets some of their information from 911 Mapping & Addressing for new homes and mobile homes when they have to have a new address to apply for electric service. The commission thanked her for the update.

John Epler, representing Rural Water District #19, reported that they will open bids on June 26, 2012 at 3:00 PM in the Columbus Community Building.

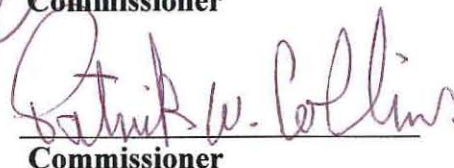
## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Garner made a motion to adjourn at 11:38 AM; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. The next Cherokee County Commission meeting will be held June 25, 2012 at 9:00 AM in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas.

**Resolved and ordered this day, June 25, 2012**

  
Cherokee County Clerk

  
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