

MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 13, 2012
COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK
CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD

The Cherokee County Commissioners met February 13, 2012. Those in attendance were Commissioners Garner, Collins and Hilderbrand. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. County Clerk Crystal Gatewood submitted the minutes for February 6, 2012, Commissioner Collins made a motion to accept the minutes as amended by the commission; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Collins, Garner and Hilderbrand voting in favor. Commissioners Collins, Hilderbrand and Garner, and Clerk Gatewood signed off on the documentation. Commissioner Garner made a motion to approve and pay February 2012 Mid-Month Accounts Payables; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hilderbrand with Commissioners Garner, Collins and Hilderbrand voting in favor. Those signing off on the documentation were Commissioners Garner, Collins and Hilderbrand, and Clerk Gatewood. Commissioners Hilderbrand, Garner and Collins signed off on paperwork for a new employee for the Treasurer's Office. Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand and Collins signed off on paperwork for the county's Health Insurance.

OTHER BUSINESS

Raymond Griffitt came before the commission to discuss the ongoing land issue he has been having with the State of Kansas since 1976. The commission thanked him for coming in.

Jason Allison of Emergency Preparedness came before the commission to give an update on the storm sirens. He reported they were setting up a preconstruction meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 10:00 AM and Empire District will know the locations of the sirens. The commission thanked him for the update.

Leonard Vanatta of Road and Bridge gave his weekly update on the department to the commission. He discussed the gate at Spicklemir Cemetery and reported there is a walk-in gate and that he had cut back the grape vines to make the gate visible, but the cemetery has no road ways for vehicles. The county put cinders on the county bridges and roads due to the recent snow and ice. The Weaver Bridge project is coming along slowly. The county looked at the cost for overlaying 19th Street in the county during the first week of April 2012. The commission thanked him for coming in.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Cherokee County Appraiser Nancy Herrenbruck requested Executive Session for Personnel/Non Elected. Commissioner Collins made a motion to go into **Executive Session for Personnel/Non Elected for ten minutes** with himself, Commissioners Garner, Hilderbrand, and Nancy Herrenbruck; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. They went in at 10:20 AM and returned at 10:30 AM.

RH

Commissioner Hilderbrand requested Executive Session for Personnel/Non Elected.

Commissioner Hilderbrand made the motion to go into **Executive Session for fifteen minutes for Personnel/Non Elected** with himself and Commissioners Garner and Collins; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. They went in at 11:44AM and returned at 11:55 AM.

MOTIONS

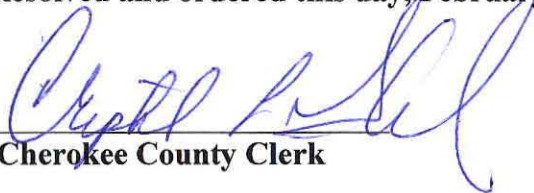
At the request of Appraiser Nancy Herrenbruck, Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to correct the billing of an appraised mobile home value for property #236-13-0-20-18-004.00-0, over a three year period, due to a correction and a clerical error; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand voting in favor.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to appoint Trish Carroll, Brian Smith, Greg Mantle, Dale Oglesby, and Commissioner Hilderbrand to an Economic Development Committee, as requested by the Joplin Regional Planning Commission; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand voting in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to adjourn; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins with Commissioners Collins, Hilderbrand, and Garner voting in favor. The commission adjourned for the day at 11:32 AM. The commission will not meet on February 20, 2012 in observance of Presidents' Day and the Cherokee County Courthouse will be closed. The Cherokee County Commission will meet for a Special Meeting on February 21, 2012 to approve February 2012 Payroll and Accounts Payables. The next regular Cherokee County Commission meeting will be held February 27, 2012 at 9:00 AM in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas.

Resolved and ordered this day, February 27, 2012


Cherokee County Clerk


Commissioner


Commissioner


Commissioner