

**MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 14, 2011**

**COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY**

**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK**

**CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD**

The Cherokee County Commissioners met February 14, 2011. Commissioners Collins, Garner and Hilderbrand were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve the minutes for February 7, 2011; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner and Collins voting in favor and Commissioner Hilderbrand abstaining. Commissioners Garner and Collins, and County Clerk Crystal Gatewood signed off on the minutes. Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand signed off on the 2011 County Inventory list submitted by County Clerk Gatewood. Commissioners Garner, Collins, Hilderbrand, County Clerk Crystal Gatewood, and County Counselor Kevin Cure signed off on the February Mid-Month Accounts Payables.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS CALLED BY COMMISSION**

Commissioner Garner made a motion to go into **Executive Session** for ten minutes for **Personnel/Non-Elected** with himself, Commissioners Collins and Hilderbrand, Leonard Vanatta, and Gene Langerot; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins, with Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. They went in at 9:33 AM returned at 9:49 AM.

Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to go into **Executive Session** for twenty minutes for **Attorney/Client Privilege** with himself, Commissioners Garner and Collins, and County Counselor Kevin; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins, with Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. They went in at 11:18 AM and returned at 11:39 AM.

**MOTIONS MADE BY COMMISSION**

Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to approve the passage of Resolution 4-2011 as written; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins expressing the roads met the guidelines of the county with Commissioner Garner stating- BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS:

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, after hearing on February 14, 2011, upon its own motion to open the following road:

That portion of 66<sup>th</sup> Street, 292 feet in length, 60 feet in width, running South of the intersection of 66<sup>th</sup> Street and Partridge Lane, all located in an unincorporated area of Cherokee County, Kansas, and according to the recorded plat for Lockwood Meadows Subdivision;

Finds the above stated road is required as a public utility, would aid in the providing access to the residences build, or to be built, thereon, has been laid out and rocked, and the opening thereof is deemed necessary by the Board. Commissioners Collins, Garner, and Hilderbrand voted in favor. Commissioners Collins, Garner, Hilderbrand, and County Clerk Crystal Gatewood signed off on the resolution.

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## OTHER BUSINESS

Road and Bridge Supervisor Leonard Vanatta and Gene Langerot reported and discussed general county road and machinery maintenance. Gene also reported the lift for the mechanics at the County Lot which the commission purchased should be installed and ready to use by next month. The commission thanked them for coming in.

Tommy Bottoroff came before the commission to ask the county to pave the road at PBI Gordon in the county. The commission thanked her for coming in and said they would discuss it.

County Clerk Gatewood opened and read the bids submitted for the courthouse elevator by the area banks. The banks submitting bids were: The Exchange Bank of Columbus, Kansas, The American Bank of Baxter Springs, The Baxter State Bank of Baxter Springs, and Stanley Bank of Columbus. (All bids are attached to the minutes for February 14, 2011). The commissioners asked County Clerk Gatewood to send a copy of the bids and a 'thank you' to all those banks sending in the bids. **Commissioner Collins made a motion to accept the bid from The Exchange Bank in Columbus, Kansas with a 3% interest rate for thirty-six months, with a monthly payment amount of \$2,910.22 and the final payment of \$2,910.20; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner, with Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand voting in favor.** The payments, once scheduled, will come from the General Fund-Line Item, the Courthouse Fund-Internal Line Item 30090/79.

## ADJOURNMENT

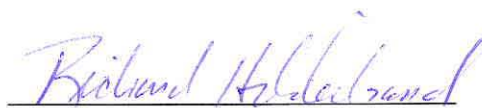
Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn at 11:41 AM; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner, Collins, and Hilderbrand voting in favor. The next regular Cherokee County Commission meeting will be held February 28, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas. The commission is scheduled for a Special Meeting in Wichita, Kansas on February 15, 2011. They also have a Special Meeting at the courthouse at 9:00 AM on February 22, 2011 to approve Payroll and February Accounts Payables.

**Resolved and ordered this day, February 28, 2011.**

  
Cherokee County Clerk

  
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