

**MINUTES FOR AUGUST 14, 2017**  
**BOARD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS**

**CONVENE**

Chairman Collins called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (The Board), to order and led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 14, 2017 in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. Commissioners Pat Collins, Neal Anderson, Cory Moates, County Counselor Barbara Wright, and County Clerk Rodney Edmondson were present.

Members of the press present: Larry Hiatt, Jordan Zabel, and Francis Secrist

Commissioner Collins read a letter of support for the transportation providers of Coordinated Transit District #10 in their application to KDOT for funding assistance for the Board to consider. The letter was signed by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2017 BOCC meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moates. The motion carried 3-0.

Leonard Vanatta, County Road Supervisor, and Louis Schreiner, County Lot Supervisor, appeared before the Board on routine county road business. Leonard presented an agreement between BNSF Railway Company, Cherokee County, and KDOT for the construction of highway crossing signals at the tracks located at Clem Rd. and SE 32<sup>nd</sup> St. Commissioner Collins asked him to check on Eldon Rd. just off of Highway 69 for damage that needs some repair. Commissioner Moates reminded him of the trees that need trimmed on the west side of Kansas Ave. in Baxter Springs. Commissioner Moates asked him to check on 75<sup>th</sup> St. where the culvert was repaired, it has developed a bump. Louis reported that one of the 2011 dump trucks is back from Freightliner with a remanufactured transmission.

Attorney Gene Barrett appeared before the Board regarding the pending tax sale. He stated that he anticipates filing the exhibit and petition with the court next week. Last week he was working on updating the parcel list and checking for liens against the properties. There are a little over 250 parcels that will be filed on. He stated that he would come back next Monday and let the Board know if the filing is ready. He suggested a few ways to possibly improve the collection of taxes. One would be to send a reminder notice, on County Attorney letter head that taxes weren't paid in December. The same type of letter could be sent after the second half payment is missed in May. He believes that letters from the County Attorney could draw more attention to the owners than a letter from the County Treasurer. Mr. Barrett stated that only an attorney can file a tax sale with the court. The title search can be done by anyone that knows what they are doing. But that information must be converted by the attorney to the proper documents that are acceptable by the court. This will be the first tax sale filing that will be done by e-filing with the court.

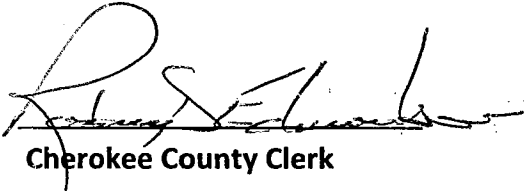
Larry Hiatt mentioned that Shawnee County is allowing taxes to be paid monthly. He stated that monthly or quarterly payments would possibly increase collections. He stated that December is a bad time to come up with half of your taxes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to approve the payroll for the period ending August 4, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.


A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the accounts payable for the period ending August 10, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moates. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Moates made a motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting set for Monday, August 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 10:32 a.m.

**ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017**

  
Cherokee County Clerk

  
Commissioner

  
Commissioner

  
Commissioner

August 01, 2017

County Commissioners  
Cherokee County  
110 W. Maple  
Columbus, KS 66725

To whom it may concern,

The deadline for transportation providers to submit grant proposals for transportation funding for Fiscal Year 2017-18 is again approaching. The transportation providers of Coordinated Transit District #10 (CTD) need your continued support to assist us in obtaining the funding needed to continue our transportation services in your area.

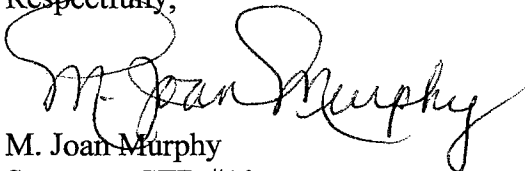
Each year transit providers from CTD#10 attach a letter of support from your County Commissioners to our grant proposals. We ask for this to be in the form of a letter stating your need & support for transportation services in your area.

We ask that the letter of support be on your letterhead and have the signatures of the County Commissioners. We also ask that the response be returned by 10/01/16.  
Once completed, please send to:

M. Joan Murphy  
Secretary-Coordinated Transit District #10  
134 E. Washington #B  
Howard, KS 67349

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Respectfully,



M. Joan Murphy  
Secretary CTD #10

*Cherokee County Board of Commissioners*

110 W. Maple St. - P.O. Box 14  
Columbus, Kansas 66725

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Phone: 620-429-3256

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August 14, 2016

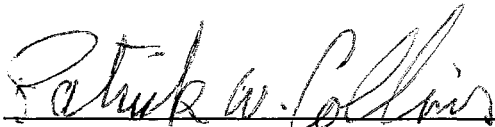
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Coordinated Transit District #10  
134 E. Washington #B  
Howard, KS 67349

To whom it may concern,

The Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County Kansas, hereby issue our support for the transportation providers of Coordinated Transit District #10 in their application to the Kansas Department of Transportation for capital and or operating assistance under a Section 16 or Section 18 grant. This is a desired service that is necessary to meet the special transportation needs of the citizens in our area.

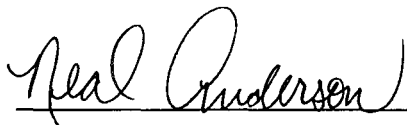
Respectfully,

Cherokee County Board of Commissioners



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Chairman Pat Collins, District 1 Commissioner



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Neal Anderson, District 2 Commissioner



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Cory Moates, District 3 Commissioner

<b>FUND BALANCES 8/10/2017</b>						
<b>FUND</b>	<b>FUND #</b>	<b>Balance 2017</b>	<b>August A/P</b>	<b>August P/R</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>	
<b>County General</b>	<b>100</b>	\$ 1,241,169.06	\$ 115,213.05	\$ 97,764.13	\$ 1,028,191.88	
<b>County Equipment Reserve</b>	<b>102</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>TECHNOLOGY FUND</b>	<b>103</b>	\$ 33,556.89	\$ 419.22	\$ -	\$ 33,137.67	
<b>Treasurer Technology Fund</b>	<b>104</b>	\$ 3,082.86	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,082.86	
<b>Clerk Technology Fund</b>	<b>106</b>	\$ 10,997.31	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,997.31	
<b>STATE LINE ROAD PROJECT</b>	<b>105</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Jail Salestax</b>	<b>107</b>	\$ 452,645.38	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 452,645.38	
<b>Law Enforcement Center</b>	<b>108</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>RD BRIDGE</b>	<b>110</b>	\$ 1,901,358.97	\$ 100,834.64	\$ 47,714.28	\$ 1,752,810.05	
<b>EX COUNCIL</b>	<b>120</b>	\$ 57,305.66	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 57,305.66	
<b>NOXIOUS WEED</b>	<b>130</b>	\$ 4,883.55	\$ 1,117.14	\$ 1,110.38	\$ 2,656.03	
<b>SEVERE WEATHER EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>135</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>HEALTH</b>	<b>140</b>	\$ 1,181,722.25	\$ 6,596.70	\$ 15,807.12	\$ 1,159,318.43	
<b>Clean Up Illegal Dump</b>	<b>142</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>TRI CO WIC</b>	<b>145</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>FAIR</b>	<b>150</b>	\$ 6,033.87	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,033.87	
<b>ELECTION</b>	<b>160</b>	\$ 104,723.78	\$ 4,492.62	\$ 3,234.34	\$ 96,996.82	
<b>COMM COLLEGE</b>	<b>170</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>SOIL CONSERV</b>	<b>180</b>	\$ 6,705.87	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,705.87	
<b>SPECIAL BRIDGE</b>	<b>190</b>	\$ 320,219.27	\$ -	\$ 852.80	\$ 319,366.47	
<b>MENTAL HEALTH</b>	<b>200</b>	\$ 33,808.70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,808.70	
<b>MENTAL RETARD</b>	<b>210</b>	\$ 30,202.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,202.51	
<b>FAM LIFE CENTER BOND &amp; INT</b>	<b>216</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>AMBULANCE</b>	<b>220</b>	\$ 261,895.49	\$ 50,631.99	\$ -	\$ 211,263.50	
<b>CHEROKEE COUNTY 911</b>	<b>224</b>	\$ 224,039.66	\$ 5,239.66	\$ -	\$ 218,800.00	
<b>FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE GRANT</b>	<b>227</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>APPRAISAL</b>	<b>230</b>	\$ 178,272.10	\$ 180.30	\$ 6,966.58	\$ 171,125.22	
<b>COUNTY BLDG</b>	<b>250</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>EMPL. BENE</b>	<b>260</b>	\$ 60,774.15	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,774.15	
<b>PAYROLL W/HOLD</b>	<b>265</b>	\$ 35.29	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35.29	
<b>SPECIAL (TORT) LIABILITY</b>	<b>290</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>ELDERLY</b>	<b>300</b>	\$ 20,807.15	\$ 389.52	\$ -	\$ 20,417.63	
<b>DESIGNATED DV &amp; SA PROSEC</b>	<b>301</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>CDBG-Grant Family Life</b>	<b>302</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>08LEPC PLAN/TRAIN GRANT</b>	<b>303</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>SPIDER PROGRAM</b>	<b>304</b>	\$ 1,952.43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,952.43	

<b>FUND</b>	<b>FUND #</b>	<b>Balance 2016</b>	<b>August A/P</b>	<b>August P/R</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
<b>E/P GRANT</b>	<b>306</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>COPS GRANT</b>	<b>307</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>JUVENILE BLOCK GRANT</b>	<b>309</b>	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
<b>LANDFILL</b>	<b>310</b>	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
<b>REMODEL GRANT</b>	<b>313</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>INVESTIGATOR GRANT</b>	<b>314</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>GALENA MINE CLOSURE</b>	<b>317</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>EMERG SHELTT GRANT</b>	<b>338</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>SEWER DIST #1 BOND &amp; INT</b>	<b>320</b>	\$ 5,542.84			\$ 5,542.84
<b>SEWER DIST #1 OPER &amp; MAINT</b>	<b>330</b>	\$ 81,598.08	\$ 9,144.57	\$ 1,121.64	\$ 71,331.87
<b>SHELTERED WORKSHOP BD &amp; IN</b>	<b>340</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>SPECIAL HIGHWAY IMPROVEMT</b>	<b>360</b>	\$ 1,264.20			\$ 1,264.20
<b>SPECIAL ROAD MACHINERY</b>	<b>370</b>	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
<b>COUNTY BOND &amp; INTEREST</b>	<b>390</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>PROS ATTORN TRAIN</b>	<b>410</b>	\$ 2,773.79			\$ 2,773.79
<b>ELECTRONIC MONITORING</b>	<b>412</b>	\$ 910.00			\$ 910.00
<b>ATTORNEY APPLICATION FEE</b>	<b>413</b>	\$ 6,482.38			\$ 6,482.38
<b>DIVERSION SUPERVISION FEE</b>	<b>414</b>	\$ 5.00			\$ 5.00
<b>ADMINISTRATION FEE BAD CKS</b>	<b>415</b>	\$ 88.81			\$ 88.81
<b>SPECIAL PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>430</b>	\$ 1,494.16	\$ -		\$ 1,494.16
<b>SPEC ALCOHOL</b>	<b>440</b>	\$ 7,091.92	\$ -		\$ 7,091.92
<b>TOURISM</b>	<b>450</b>	\$ 1,176.89	\$ 1,176.89		\$ -
<b>VINS</b>	<b>460</b>	\$ 7,360.90	\$ -		\$ 7,360.90
<b>INFORMATION NETWORK OF KS</b>	<b>465</b>	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
<b>BANKRUPTCY FUND</b>	<b>470</b>	\$ 1,865.21			\$ 1,865.21
<b>CONCEALED WEAPON APPS</b>	<b>489</b>	\$ 195.00	\$ -		\$ 195.00
<b>SPECIAL LAW ENFORC TRUST</b>	<b>490</b>	\$ 24,852.47	\$ 634.87		\$ 24,217.60
<b>DRUG TAX STAMP FUND</b>	<b>491</b>	\$ 2,368.25			\$ 2,368.25
<b>CO ATTY SPEC LAW ENFORC</b>	<b>492</b>	\$ 628.56			\$ 628.56
<b>Drug Forfeiture Fund</b>	<b>493</b>	\$ 8,963.06			\$ 8,963.06
<b>Justice Assistance Grant</b>	<b>494</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>DRUG FREE GRANT 91-03</b>	<b>495</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>Attorney Foreiture Funds</b>	<b>496</b>	\$ 7,674.75			\$ 7,674.75
<b>RURAL WATER #8 GRANT</b>	<b>505</b>	\$ 246.00			\$ 246.00
<b>FLOOD PURCHASE AGREEMENT</b>	<b>513</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>FLOOD BUYOUT PROG 1997</b>	<b>517</b>	\$ -			\$ -
<b>SIREN</b>					\$ -
<b>NSP</b>	<b>353</b>	\$ -			\$ -
			<b>\$ 296,071.17</b>	<b>\$ 174,571.27</b>	

<b>BUDGET BALANCES 2017</b>							
<b>COUNTY GENERAL</b>	<b>Beginning Budget</b>	<b>BUDGET AVAIL.</b>		<b>August A/P</b>	<b>August P/R</b>	<b>AFTER Aug ISSUE</b>	<b>%</b>
Commissioners	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 36,495.42		\$ 294.00	\$ 2,926.40	\$ 33,275.02	35.03%
County Clerk	\$ 134,000.00	\$ 57,728.93		\$ 280.50	\$ 4,562.80	\$ 52,885.63	39.47%
County Treasurer	\$ 94,000.00	\$ 27,759.66		\$ -	\$ 8,760.06	\$ 18,999.60	20.21%
County Attorney	\$ 277,970.00	\$ 112,234.71		\$ -	\$ 9,585.94	\$ 102,648.77	36.93%
Register of Deeds	\$ 95,263.00	\$ 42,027.83		\$ -	\$ 2,788.80	\$ 39,239.03	41.19%
County Counselor	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 12,734.91		\$ -	\$ 1,071.36	\$ 11,663.55	38.88%
Sheriff Dept	\$ 1,225,000.00	\$ 376,843.75		\$ 6,466.18	\$ 39,004.27	\$ 331,373.30	27.05%
District Court	\$ 289,300.00	\$ 167,367.69		\$ 12,045.92	\$ 1,274.40	\$ 154,047.37	53.25%
Courthouse	\$ 475,000.00	\$ 275,718.80		\$ 15,638.14	\$ 1,573.90	\$ 258,506.76	54.42%
Emergency Prep	\$ 66,443.00	\$ (27,393.29)		\$ 58,902.09	\$ 3,634.40	\$ (89,929.78)	-135.35%
Human Resources	\$ 37,751.00	\$ 13,752.21		\$ -	\$ 1,474.40	\$ 12,277.81	32.52%
Recreation	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 8,925.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,925.00	81.14%
Jail	\$ 948,000.00	\$ 369,226.13		\$ 16,767.56	\$ 19,020.50	\$ 333,438.07	35.17%
Computer Prog	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 1,128.73		\$ 4,227.50	\$ -	\$ (3,098.77)	-5.63%
Jury Cost	\$ 9,693.00	\$ 8,337.78		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,337.78	86.02%
Juvenile Dentention	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 29,381.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,381.00	34.57%
Geneology Society	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	25.00%
Emergency 911	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 25,590.11		\$ -	\$ 2,086.90	\$ 23,503.21	39.17%
Jail JOP Reserve	\$ 617,340.00	\$ 617,340.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 617,340.00	100.00%
Gis Info	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 13,647.27		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,647.27	68.24%
USD 493	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
ROZ	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	100.00%
Economic Development	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 17,657.73		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,657.73	39.24%
Landfill Transfers	\$ 13,000.00	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Appraisal Services	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	100.00%
Election Equipment Lease	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	100.00%
Building Maintenance	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	100.00%
Dept Office Supply	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 29,057.04		\$ 591.16	\$ -	\$ 28,465.88	47.44%
<b>Total County General</b>	<b>\$ 4,902,760.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,318,561.41</b>		<b>\$ 115,213.05</b>	<b>\$ 97,764.13</b>	<b>\$ 2,105,584.23</b>	<b>42.95%</b>

	<u>Beginning Budget</u>	<u>BUDGET AVAIL.</u>		<u>August A/P</u>	<u>August P/R</u>	<u>AFTER Aug ISSUE</u>	<u>%</u>
Equipment Reserve	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -			0.00%
Technology Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 419.22	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Treasurer Technology Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Clerk Technology Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Rd & Bridg	\$ 3,136,694.00	\$ 1,458,573.62		\$ 100,834.64	\$ 47,714.28	\$ 1,310,024.70	41.76%
Ex Counc	\$ 213,397.00	\$ 53,349.25		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53,349.25	25.00%
Noxious Weed	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 17,162.43		\$ 1,117.14	\$ 1,110.38	\$ 14,934.91	37.34%
Health &Wic	\$ 571,466.00	\$ 390,522.56		\$ 6,596.70	\$ 15,807.12	\$ 368,118.74	64.42%
Fair	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 6,000.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	50.00%
Direct Elect	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 117,403.62		\$ 4,492.62	\$ 3,234.34	\$ 109,676.66	68.55%
Comm College	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Soil Conservation	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 6,250.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,250.00	25.00%
Special Bridge	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 852.80	\$ -	0.00%
Mental Health	\$ 111,457.00	\$ 27,864.25		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,864.25	25.00%
Mental Retard.	\$ 111,457.00	\$ 27,864.25		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,864.25	25.00%
Ambulance	\$ 607,584.00	\$ 253,160.07		\$ 50,631.99	\$ -	\$ 202,528.08	33.33%
Cherokee County 911	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 5,239.66	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Appraiser	\$ 280,067.00	\$ 136,642.20		\$ 180.30	\$ 6,966.58	\$ 129,495.32	46.24%
Payroll	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		0.00%
Employee Bene	\$ 3,242,409.00	\$ 1,249,451.70		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,249,451.70	38.53%
Elderly	\$ 17,282.00	\$ 11,307.97		\$ 389.52	\$ -	\$ 10,918.45	63.18%
Landfill	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 3,347.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,347.00	25.75%
Sewer Dist #1	\$ 153,034.00	\$ 111,638.19		\$ 9,144.57	\$ 1,121.64	\$ 101,371.98	66.24%
Concealed	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Spider	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Vins	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Prosecuting Attoreney Training	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Co Attorney Spec Law Enforc	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Special Park	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Special Alcohol	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Tourism	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 1,176.89	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Spec Law	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 634.87	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Drug Tax Stamp Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	0.00%
<b>Total</b>		\$ -		\$ 296,071.17	\$ 174,571.27		



