

MINUTES for FEBRUARY 13, 2023
BOARD of CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'
CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS

CONVENE

Chairman Cory Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (the Board), to order at 9:00 AM on Monday, February 13, 2023, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County clerk employee Tonia Altis opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Cory Moates, Lorie Johnson, Myra Frazier, county clerk Rebecca Brassart, road and bridge Supervisor Cody Zook, and News Report owner Larry Hiatt were present.

APPROVAL of MINUTES

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the February 6, 2023, meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ROAD and BRIDGE

Cody Zook came before the Board to recommend raises for three employees and the new hire of two new employees. Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve raises for the following county lot employees and approval of two new hires.

Stanley (Andy) Davis 15.75 to 16.00

Jeremy Erwin 15.00 to 16.00

Michael Shockley 15.50 to 16.00

James Getman 16.00 utility/operator

Cory Christianson 16.00 utility/operator

Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Cody discussed with the Board the upcoming maintenance/building and upkeep plans, upcoming roadway plans.

Zook stated he held interviews on 02/09/2023 and had 12 candidates, on 02/10/2023 he completed employee reviews.

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 15-minute non-elected executive session with the 3 commissioners and road and bridge supervisor Cody Zook to return at 9:35 a.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Moates amended the motion to include county counselor Nathan Coleman to be present during the executive session. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NON-ELECTED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Frazier made a motion for a 5-minute non-elected executive session with the 3 commissioners, county register of deeds Barb Bilke and county counselor Nathan Coleman to return at 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Moates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken due to the executive session.

KCAMP

Yana Ross with KCAMP came before the Board to go over the different deductibles which could be available to the county, along with different programs that could be useful.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Jared Glover emergency manager came before the Board to discuss the different options available for him to be a code enforcement officer for the county.