

MINUTES for MARCH 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, March 13, 2023, in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. County commissioner Cory Moates 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 Johnson requested that a sentence in the minutes be finished out with the wording of "moving forward". Commissioner Frazier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with the amendment as requested by commissioner Johnson from the March 6, 2023, meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

Cody Zook came before the Board to discuss the local road safety plan.

Cody informed the Board that he will be planning a meeting with all the local municipalities around the first part of April.

KDWP 2023 MAINTENANCE STATEMENT

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the 2023 annual operation and maintenance assurance statement for the Riverton Picnic Facility. Commissioner Moates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Jim Burton with the solid waste committee came before the Board to inform them that the committee has scheduled an E-waste Day for April 22, 2023, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, to be held at the Cherokee county fairgrounds.

There will also be a solid waste committee meeting on March 23, 2023, at 4:00 pm in the Riverton community building.

2024 BUDGET PROPOSALS

The Board requested that all budget proposals for the 2024 budget year be turned into the county clerk's office by May 1, 2023, in order for the clerk's office to get the proposals entered into the budget system for the commissioners to begin reviewing on May 22, 2023.

APPRIASER

David Thornton presented the Board with a budgeted pay rate change for appraiser office employee Deann Norris.

Commissioner Cory Moates made a motion to approve a pay raise for Deann Norris from 14.00 to 16.31. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NON-ELECTED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Moates made a motion for a 5-minute non-elected personnel executive session with the 3 commissioners, and county counselor Nathan Coleman to return at 9:53 a.m. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.