

MINUTES FOR JUNE 17, 2019**BOARD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS****CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS**

Chairman Cory Moates called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (The Board), to order at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, June 17, 2019 in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 West Maple, Columbus, Kansas. Commissioner Cory Moates opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners Cory Moates, Neal Anderson, Myra Carlisle Frazier, County Counselor Barbara Wright, and County Clerk Rodney Edmondson were present.

Members of the press present: Larry Hiatt

Jason Allison appeared before the Board to inform them that the disaster declaration is still open so the county can continue to keep track of the expenses for cleaning up debris and road repair after recent storms.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the Minutes of the June 10, 2019 BOCC meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0.

Kyle Wade, Funeral Director with Derfelt Funeral Home, presented a request to cremate an unclaimed body. The death occurred over two months ago and no one has claimed the body. The costs of the cremation will be billed to the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to sign the unclaimed body cremation request as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Leonard Vanatta, County Road Supervisor, appeared before the Board on county road business. He stated that the Faulkner Bridge project has been put on hold due to the recent rains. The Board discussed the idea of adding more culvert pipe in the area of SE Quaker and Highway 69 Alternate north of Riverton to help with water drainage. The Board asked Leonard to look into it.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the payroll for the period ending June 7th, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to approve the accounts payable for the period ending June 13th, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Moates stated that the trial period for the Vision Link service with Caterpillar is ending. The cost for hourly reporting is \$2,112 annually, and the daily reporting is \$864 annually.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to purchase the Vision Link from Caterpillar for the hourly reporting at an annual cost of \$2,112 for 12 motor graders. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Moates stated that he has spoken with the KCAMP adjuster again about the sewer damage claim for the Hambright home in Riverton. Commissioner Moates believes that KCAMP has agreed to reimburse the county what has been paid out to the Hambright's for the damage caused by the sewer system backup. He will follow up with the adjuster.

Commissioner Moates stated that he is working on a plan to tie the Hambright home into a different sewer manhole that is below the grade of their home. He hopes to have something later this week.

Deana Randall appeared before the Board to submit the 2020 budget request for the Human Resource Department. The Board took the request under advisement.

Wayne Elliott and Rebecca Brassart appeared before the Board to submit the 2020 budget request for the 911 Mapping and Addressing Department. The Board took the request under advisement.

Wayne informed the Board that he is planning on retiring September 1, 2019. He submitted his notice of retirement in writing to the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frazier to accept the retirement notice from Wayne Elliott effective September 1, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Doug Mogle and Mike King appeared before the Board to present the 2020 budget request for Ambulance District No. 1 and No. 2. They are not asking for an increase in funding for 2020. The Board took the request under advisement.

Jim Burton appeared before the Board regarding the Solid Waste Committee's one-year update.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to approve the Cherokee County Solid Waste Advisory Committee One Year Update as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

Jim Burton presented the 2020 budget request for the Solid Waste Recycling Department. The request is for a \$4,410 increase over the 2019 budget. The Board took the request under advisement.

Barbara Bilke appeared before the Board to submit the 2020 budget request for the Register of Deeds Department.

Counselor Wright presented a draft resolution for the annual reconfirmation for participation in the Rural Opportunity Zone program for the Board to consider. The Board placed the item on the agenda for next Monday.

The Board reviewed the two-year warranty extension from Secure Tech for the security system in the courthouse at a cost of \$1,913.

Jason Allison presented the Region H Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Board to review. Counselor Wright presented a draft resolution for adopting the plan.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to renew the Secure Tech two-year warranty extension as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to adopt Resolution 09-2019, adopting the Region H Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to adopt Resolution 10-2019 authorizing participation in the Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Repayment Program. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Moates to recess until 1:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Frazier. The motion carried 3-0 at 11:29 a.m.

Betha Elliott and Brenda Clugston appeared before the Board to submit the 2020 budget request for the Health Department. The Board took the request under advisement.


Jason Allison appeared before the Board regarding the vacancy in his department following the retirement of Art Mallory. He would like to have someone in the office to answer the phones and work with the CDBG grants and other duties for now. The vacancy also creates a loss of salary reimbursement from the State of Kansas. The Board asked him to draft a plan and job description to bring before the Board during his budget presentation next Monday.


Ralph Houser appeared before the Board to request the usage of the county vehicle that isn't being used by the Emergency Management Department. The Board took his request under advisement.

Commissioner Frazier made a motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting set for Monday, June 24, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried 3-0 at 2:19 p.m.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this 24th day of June, 2019


Commissioner


Commissioner


Commissioner


County Clerk

Cherokee County Solid Waste Advisory Committee

One Year Update- June, 2019

The update for tonnage numbers for Cherokee County is as follows:

Totals for C and D in the county

2017- 39,614.48 tons

2018- 35,787.01 tons

Individual C and D facility tonnage numbers

Robinson Environmental Services

2017- 683.16 tons

2018- 661.25 tons

B-3

2017- 971.85 tons

2018- 724.4 tons

SEK Regional Landfill

2017- 3570.55tons

2018- 0 tons (Permit has been suspended since September, 2017.)

Galena

2017- 34,387.72 tons

2018- 34,583.76 tons

These numbers indicate C and D tonnage in the county remains relatively steady.

Bluehole tire monofill tonnage numbers

2017-1894.56 tons

2018- 3254.77 tons

Recycling numbers remain steady between 2017 and 2018 at between 2200 to 2500 pounds per month.

E-waste collections for 2018 was 40,000 lbs.

Additional updates:

Recycling- The committee is still waiting for the last recycling trailer to be completed and placed. This additional trailer will make every location have a permanent trailer in place. This should happen in the next few months.

The committee has applied for a recycling grant through KDHE. If this grant is obtained it is hoped that increased accessible public information about proper recycling and location of recycling trailers will increase recycling in the county.

Sharps- A survey by the SWAC determined disposal of sharps was being adequately served by the county health department and private business.

Household HazardousWaste- Initiation of a household hazardous waste program has been investigated by the committee. It has not moved forward due to multiple factors including:

Inadequate funding

Difficulty finding a viable way to collect waste

Difficulty finding a facility to accept waste

This goal will be tabled until conditions change.

The Cherokee County Solid Waste committee continues to work toward becoming more active and proactive in addressing solid waste needs and issues in the county.

Cherokee County Solid Waste Advisory Committee Members

Jim Burton-Chairman

Michael Robison-Robison Environmental Services

Sue Drennan- County resident

Angela Feldkamp- County resident

Jennifer Fagan- Republic Services of Galena

Jim Tunnel- county resident

Richard Mallatt Jr. - county resident

William Woolsten- Galena/county resident

Josh Cahoon- Galena C and D