MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 28, 2011

COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHEROKEE COUNTY

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

CRYSTAL L. GATEWOOD

The Cherokee County Commissioners met November 28, 2011. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Commissioner Garner; present was Commissioner Collins, and Commissioner Hilderbrand was not present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. County Clerk Crystal Gatewood submitted the minutes for November 21, 2011, Commissioner Collins made a motion to accept the minutes as written by Clerk Gatewood; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Collins and Garner voting in favor. Commissioners Collins and Garner, and Clerk Gatewood signed off on the minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Commissioner Garner requested an Executive Session for Personnel/Non Elected. Commissioner Garner made the motion to go into Executive Session for ten minutes for Personnel/Non Elected with himself, Commissioner Collins and Leonard Vanatta; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and voting in favor were Commissioners Garner and Collins. They went in at 9:21 AM and returned at 9:40 AM.

Commissioner Collins requested an Executive Session for Personnel/Non Elected. Commissioner Collins made the motion to go into Executive Session for five minutes for Personnel/Non Elected with himself, Commissioner Garner, Leonard Vanatta, and Gene Langerot; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner and Collins voting in favor. They went in at 9:50 AM and returned at 10:05 AM.

County Counselor Kevin Cure requested Executive Session for Attorney/Client Privilege. Commissioner Collins made the motion to go into Executive Session for five minutes for Attorney/Client Privilege for litigation with himself, Commissioner Garner, and County Counselor Kevin Cure; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Garner and Collins voting in favor. They went in at 10:06 AM and returned at 10:12 AM.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ronald Turner came before the commission regarding property damage to a cedar tree on his property. A county brush cutter cut the tree down and Turner said it was not in the right away. The tree was special, a family member had planted the tree and the tree was not in the vision area for drivers along the road and had been there for years. The commission apologized and said they wanted to make it right and would compensate by replacing the tree with a new one, and Mr. Turner said he would get estimates and bring the estimates in to the commission.

Leonard Vanatta of Road and Bridge came before the commission to discuss general road maintenance. The commission let Leonard know about the tree incident on 4772 NE. 50th in the county. Commissioner Collins said he would go by and look at it and they would go from there.

Raymond Griffith came before the commission and let them know that if they could not get the Fish and Game off of his property within a week, he was seeking help at the federal level.

Jason Allison of Emergency Preparedness opened the bids received for ten Storm Sirens;

- Washington Electronics \$152,574.00
- CDL Electric \$129,999.00
- Blue Valley \$169,008.00

The commission agreed to let Jason go over the specs of each bid submitted and get back to them with his recommendation.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn at 11:30 AM; his motion was seconded by Commissioner Garner with Commissioners Collins and Garner voting in favor. The next regular Cherokee County Commission meeting will be held December 5, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Columbus, Kansas.

Resolved and ordered this day, December 5, 2011

Cherokee County Clerk

Commissioner

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