

May 19, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Texas County Commissioners was called to order by Dolan Sledge, Chairman. Darrell Edwards and Levi Bickford, members and Wendy Johnson, County Clerk were present. Aimee Midkiff, Treasurer, Erika Maddox, Executive Director of the Guymon Chamber of Commerce, Ronnie Wilson, Farmers Market and Peter J Guerro, KKBS were also present.

The agenda was filed on May 16, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

Sledge verified we were in compliance with the Open Meeting Act with all board members present.

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve the following claims and purchase orders for payment.

GENERAL: 252188, 1851, **\$355.90**, P Card Account, lodging; 252602, 1852, **\$137.54**, P Card Account, phone; 253244, 1853, **\$446.35**, P Card Account, lodging; 253245, 1854, **\$499.95**, P Card Account, lodging; 253749, 1855, **\$92.00**, P Card Account, lodging; 254121, 1856, **\$277.22**, P Card Account, lodging; 254209, 1857, **\$188.10**, P Card Account, lodging; 254374, 1858, **\$239.88**, P Card Account, subscription; 254255, 1832, **\$912.50**, Airpro Heating & Cooling, repairs; 254219, 1833, **\$385.00**, Bar H Pest Control, services; 254437, 1834, **\$55.00**, Bar H Pest Control, services; 254559, 1835, **\$75.00**, Seth Bartels, phone stipend; 254563, 1836, **\$75.00**, Jason Colpetzer, phone stipend; 254547, 1837, **\$75.00**, Marco Crawford, phone stipend; 254549, 1838, **\$75.00**, Benji Fuentes, phone stipend; 254579, 1839, **\$14.28**, Benji Fuentes, meal reimbursement; 254560, 1840, **\$75.00**, Stanley Harper, phone stipend; 254609, 1841, **\$103.31**, Linde Gas & Equipment Inc., cylinder lease; 254561, 1842, **\$75.00**, Ann McFadden, phone stipend; 254550, 1843, **\$75.00**, Charles Mark, phone stipend; 254577, 1844, **\$1566.62**, Mathis Oil Co Inc., fuel; 254533, 1845, **\$975.68**, Mayfield Paper Company, supplies; 253401, 1846, **\$900.00**, Mungia's Heating & Air Cond. Inc., services; 250248, 1847, **\$300.00**, Oklahoma Juvenile Justice Serv. Inc., juvenile housing; 254548, 1848, **\$75.00**, Monty Osborne, phone stipend; 254611, 1849, **\$4000.00**, OSU Cooperative Extension Service, services; 254263, 1850, **\$1451.93**, Otis Elevator Company, maintenance contract; 254305, 1859, **\$115.68**, Quadient Leasing USA Inc., postage; 254585, 1860, **\$254.13**, Quadient Leasing USA Inc., postage; 254562, 1861, **\$75.00**, Jaron Rusch, phone stipend; 252590, 1862, **\$14.53**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254608, 1863, **\$7.55**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254612, 1864, **\$7.24**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254613, 1865, **\$26.14**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254617, 1866, **\$6.52**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254620, 1867, **\$7.13**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254522, 1868, **\$219.00**, Simple Distributors LLC, supplies; 254566, 1869, **\$40.00**, Simple Distributors LLC, supplies; 254304, 1870, **\$649.23**, SPC Office Products, supplies; 254572, 1871, **\$612.99**, Tek/Style Audio & Security, services & parts; 254573, 1872, **\$1236.97**, Tek/Style Audio & Security, services & parts; 254546, 1873, **\$75.00**, Berta Vela, phone stipend; 254545, 1874, **\$75.00**, Andrea Walters, phone stipend; 253641, 1875, **\$104.00**, Water Barrel, water; 254052, 1876, **\$130.00**, Water Barrel, water; 254393, 1877, **\$78.00**, Water Barrel, water; 254584, 1878, **\$13.00**, Water Barrel, water.

DISTRICT #1: 254150, 1921, **\$220.00**, P Card Account, lodging; 254526, 1920, **\$77.64**, Amazon Capital Services Inc., supplies; 254586, 1922, **\$17.11**, Quadient Leasing USA Inc., postage; 253950, 1923, **\$20.75**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance.

DISTRICT #2: 252185, 1927, **\$834.00**, P Card Account, lodging; 254554, 1924, **\$75.00**, Ronnie Bellar, phone stipend; 251559, 1925, **\$2365.00**, Mathis Oil Co Inc., oil & supplies; 254038, 1926, **\$5760.00**, Milton E Brune, caliche; 254587, 1928, **\$17.11**, Quadient Leasing USA Inc., postage; 254102, 1929, **\$19.18**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254046, 1930, **\$679.69**, Unifirst Corporation, uniforms; 251734, 1931, **\$81,950.00**, Warren Cat, equipment downpayment.

DISTRICT #3: 254078, 1933, **\$256.86**, P Card Account, lodging; 254571, 1932, **\$476.00**, Big West Industrial Sales LLC, equipment; 254225, 1934, **\$123.80**, Prairiefire Coffee Roasters, supplies; 254588, 1935, **\$17.11**, Quadient Leasing USA Inc., postage; 254146, 1936, **\$84.39**, SPC Office Products, supplies; 254269, 1937, **\$1049.08**, Texhoma Supply LLC, parts & supplies.

CLERK LIEN FEE: 252218, 54, **\$276.72**, P Card Account, lodging; 253762, 55, **\$92.00**, P Card Account, lodging; 254469, 49, **\$567.39**, Amazon Capital Services Inc, supplies; 254540, 50, **\$158.54**, Amazon Capital Services Inc., supplies; 254544, 51, **\$629.87**, Amazon Capital Services Inc., equipment & accessories; 254581, 52, **\$18.07**, Amazon Capital Services Inc., supplies; 254623, 53, **\$1494.00**, County Clerks & Deputies Assn., lodging.

FREE FAIR: 254657, 35, **\$434.10**, PTCI, phone.

HEALTH MILL LEVY: 254576, 267, **\$150.25**, Amazon Capital Services Inc., supplies; 253962, 268, **\$2238.05**, Insight Public Sector Inc., supplies; 254619, 269, **\$142.90**, Quadient Leasing USA Inc., postage; 254641, 270, **\$67.39**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance.

SHERIFF COMMISSARY: 254248, 54, **\$300.00**, Panhandle Printing LLC, supplies; 254543, 55, **\$1094.20**, Tiger Commissary Services, commissary; 254631, 56, **\$725.00**, VIP Electrical & Security Inc., services; 254634, 57, **\$1046.14**, VIP Electrical & Security Inc., services; 254635, 58, **\$4513.17**, VIP Electrical & Security Inc., services; 254636, 59, **\$3600.00**, VIP Electrical & Security, Inc., maintenance agreement.

SHERIFF SERVICE FEE: 254509, 150, **\$5505.00**, Prodigy Solutions Inc., phone time.

60% SALES TAX: 251805, 817, **\$640.00**, Advanced Water Solutions LLC, supplies; 254564, 818, **\$75.00**, Andrea Fuentes, phone stipend; 253652, 819, **\$370.61**, Golden Light Equipment Co., supplies & services; 254565, 820, **\$75.00**, Perry Heckle, phone stipend; 254228, 821, **\$261.60**, Prairiefire Coffee Roasters, coffee & supplies; 254011, 822, **\$750.00**, S&S Services LLC, services; 254610, 823, **\$64.61**, Scissortail Communications LLC, long distance; 254120, 824, **\$407.81**, Tatro Plumbing Co Inc., parts; 254184, 825, **\$52.38**, Vyve Broadband, services; 254578, 826, **\$45.50**, Water Barrel, water.

Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none.

Motion by Edwards, second by Bickford to approve blanket purchase orders for usage.

DISTRICT #3: 254665, Wirtz Lumber & Supply Inc., \$300.00; 254666, Big West Industrial Sales LLC, \$3000.00; 254667, J&R Constructors Group LLC, \$700.00.

Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none.

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as written. Aye: Edwards, Sledge, Bickford. Nay: none.

Kathy Lewis did not show up.

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve the Monthly Appropriations for the month of May. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

There were no Transfer of Appropriations to be approved.

Tondé Christian, Emergency Manager was absent.

Motion by Edwards, second by Bickford to approve the following officer's reports and cash book summary for the month of April subject to audit: M. Renee Ellis, Court Clerk - \$317,830.01. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve the Court Clerk Records Management and Preservation Monthly Report for the month of April in the amount of \$33,356.89. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Ronnie Wilson discussed the Farmers Market on the Courthouse Sidewalk. This will be the 16<sup>th</sup> year for it and would like to continue again this year.

Motion by Edwards, second by Bickford to approve the Farmers Market to continue this year on the Courthouse sidewalk. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve **Resolution #229-24-25** Disposing of a 2004 Cat 962G Loader, Inventory #612332.16 for District 2. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Edwards, second by Bickford to approve **Resolution #230-24-25** Disposing of a 1997 Workstation Desk Inventory #780105.04, **Resolution #231-24-25** Disposing of a 1998 Workstation Desk Inventory #780105.05 and **Resolution #232-24-25** Disposing of a 1998 Workstation Desk Inventory #780105.07 for the Assessor. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve **Resolution #233-24-25** Declaration of Surplus for the Treasurer for a Quadient Leasing Postage Machine, Inventory #1220215.00 to be traded in for a new one. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Edwards, second by Bickford to approve **Resolution #234-24-25** Disposing of a Postage Machine, Inventory #1220215.00 for the Treasurer. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve the Bridge Inspection Invoice – CED & Consultant for Contract #LG-2449C, Invoice #670137, dated 5/7/25 for (25) twenty-five bridges in Texas County in the amount of \$226.47 and Report of Conference between Bridge Owner and Bridge Inspection Consultant for Circuit Engineering District for the above invoice. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Edwards, second by Bickford to approve **Resolution #235-24-25**

Texas County has determined that there exists a need for an Employee Personnel Policy Handbook which is uniformly applied to all employees of Texas County, and

WHEREAS the elected officials of Texas County have determined that an Employee Personnel Policy Handbook will significantly improve communications between the County and its employees, and

WHEREAS the elected officials of Texas County have determined that a written Employee Personnel Policy Handbook promotes fairness in employment and assists in the prevention of discrimination in employment of any nature.

WHEREAS the County Commissioners have previously adopted and implemented a written Employee Policy Handbook; having now reviewed updates and modifications to the same with the elected officials of Texas County; having received the approval of majority of the elected officials of Texas County of proposed updates and modifications; and being wholly satisfied that such updates and revisions are in furtherance of the objectives of said Handbook and in the best interest of Texas County and its employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Okla. Stat. Ann. Tit. 19, Section 339, Texas County, by a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners, hereby adopts the 2017 revised "Employee Personnel Policy Handbook of Texas County."

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

Board of County Commissioners of Texas County:

s/Dolan Sledge

Levi Bickford

Darrell Edwards

ATTEST: s/Wendy Johnson SEAL  
County Clerk

Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to take out the MASA Medical Transportation Premier Plan for all employees and their families through OPEH&W. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to approve a stipend for employees in the amount of \$600.00 a year to be paid out in December 2025 and June 2026 only to employees who have worked a full year and full time only for the fiscal year 25/26. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

There was no contractor activity to be approved.

Ryan Bellew was absent. No action taken on the Invoice and Schedule of Payment until he can explain them to us.

Grant Wadley was absent but said no burn ban was needed.

Spencer Leiter was absent. No hospital reports.

There was no New Business.

There were no Charity Requests to be approved.

There was no Public Comment.

There was no need for Executive Session.

Buddy Leach, District Attorney was not present.

Ashley Ferguson, Health Department Administrator joined the meeting.

Ferguson reported that they are going to do updates to the building. The main thing was the generator. Due to an executive order from Governor Stitt, if they don't put 15,000 miles a year on a vehicle, they have to turn them back in, so they are going to up their travel to keep the cars. They have two grants that have been pulled and now they have to fund them from their budget.

Jerry Guthrie, Guymon Glass came in to let us know the handicap door openers are installed and working good now.

Motion by Bickford, second by Edwards to recess the meeting until 1:00 p.m. to start the Budget Hearings. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

1:00 p.m. Motion by Edwards, second by Bickford to reconvene the meeting and start the Budget Hearing. Aye: Edwards, Bickford, Sledge. Nay: none

M. Renee Ellis, Court Clerk – Total Budget requested \$208,920.72 and District Judge – Total Budget requested \$1,000.00 both approved with no changes.

Judyth Campbell, Assessor - Total Budget Requested \$263,970.32, changes made to reflect \$241,470.32, Visual Inspection - \$347,522.74 changes made to reflect \$329,522.74.

Aimee Midkiff, Treasurer – Total Budget Requested \$296,631.12 approved with no changes.

Tonde Christian, Emergency Manager – Total Budget Requested \$109,640.20, Flood plain - \$2,000.00, Safety \$4,000.00 all approved with no changes.

Margo Thompson, Election Board Secretary – Total Budget Requested \$83,547.32 approved with no changes.

Commissioners – Total Budget Requested \$316,363.36 approved with no changes.

Wendy Johnson, County Clerk – Total Budget Requested \$466,680.44 approved with no changes.

Buddy Leach, District Attorney – Total Budget Requested \$17,000.00 approved with no changes.

Matt Boley, Sheriff – Total Budget Requested \$744,121.24 approved with no changes.

Ashley Ferguson, Health Department – Total Budget Requested \$1,861,270.00 approved with no changes.

Jim Rhodes, OSU Extension – Total Budget Requested \$156,500.00 approved with no changes.

General Government – Total Budget Requested \$1,358,105.84 was approved with no changes.

Becky Wilson, Free Fair - Total Budget Requested \$89,791.60 was approved with no changes.

Hardesty, Yarbrough, Adams, Baker, Goodwell, Tyrone, Texhoma, Hough, Hooker, Guymon, and Optima Fire Departments each requesting \$4,000.00 all approved with no changes.

Undesignated Fire – Total Budget Requested \$50,000.00 was approved with no changes.

Guymon, Guymon/Goodwell, Guymon/Texhoma and Hooker EMS requested \$4,000.00 for each department and was approved with no changes.

Excise/Equalization – Total Budget requested \$8,000.00 approved with no changes.

Hooker, Guymon, Texhoma and Tyrone Libraries – Total Budget requested \$2,000.00, \$500.00 each approved with no changes.

Building Fund to be determined after valuation are received.

Charity – Total Budget requested \$6,000.00 approved with no changes.

Charity/Youth Shelter – Total Budget requested \$10,000.00 approved with no changes.

Hospital Care of Charity Patients to be determined after valuations are received.

Juvenile Shelter/Bureau – Transportation \$18,000.00, Housing \$52,650.00 both approved with no changes.

Insurance/Benefits – Total Budget requested \$1,968,000.00 approved with no changes.

Auditor to be determined after valuations are received.

Jorge Jonas with Oklahoma Class to discuss investment services for the County.

Adjourned.

I, Wendy Johnson, the duly elected and qualified County Clerk in and for Texas County, Oklahoma, do certify the above is a true and complete statement of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners held in this office on May 19, 2025.

  
Wendy Johnson, County Clerk

  
Dolan Sledge, Chairman

  
Levi Bickford, Member

  
Darrell Edwards, Member