

## **Minutes of the County Commissioners Regular meeting held on December 12, 2022**

The Board of the Grady County Commissioners met on this day for a regularly scheduled meeting with the following board members: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker

The meeting was called to order and roll call: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker

The meeting was opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance"

Kirk Painter made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2022 regular meeting. It was seconded by Ralph Beard. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

Steve Standridge and Mr. Fulton were present to present a donation to the Grady County Fire Department in the amount of \$1,200.00 from Oklahoma Farm Bureau, Grady County Farm Bureau, and Senator Lonnie Paxton. Stormy Duffle was present to accept the donation on the Grady County Fire Department's behalf.

Kirk Painter made a motion to approve an Affidavit of Correction of the Final Plat of "Mert's Place Addition". It was seconded by Ralph Beard. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

GCEMA/Fire Report/Safety Director: Dale Thompson informed the Commissioners that there was a possibility of severe weather Monday night through early Tuesday morning. He stated the weather would be turning colder for the rest of the year with little chances of snow. He also stated that he would be on vacation next week, but would be available if he was needed. Kim Duke stated that they were still in the process of getting quotes for the propane update to the Farwell Station in order to get heat before the temperatures got too cold. Bobby Cantu informed the Board that he would be conducting the final safety meeting for the Sheriff's Office and completed the final safety talk for the Security Vestibule. He stated that he would be at the annual ACCO winter safety conference Thursday and Friday. Finally, he gave the Board an update on the status of the Courthouse addition structural issue, CMS Willowbrook was backed up, so he would be getting a quote from Gavi's Masonry.

No draw request from the Grady Memorial Hospital.

ARPA Discussion: Ralph Beard stated that he was contacted by Rural Water District #7 in regards to their ARPA award. They wanted to know what would happen if they did not receive, the grant money from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board that their award from Grady County was contingent upon. Ralph stated that he contacted Floyd and Driver and they stated that if the Board of County Commissioners wanted, they could add that award back to the agenda to remove the contingency on the award.

Ralph stated that the internal audit was almost finished however, they had a couple more things they needed to do so he was going to table this until next week. Ralph Beard made a motion to table the internal exit Audit for District 3, performed by District 3 employee Mike Lennier and District 2 Foreman John Nicholas. It was seconded by Mike Walker. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

**Ralph Beard explained that they were going to go out for bid on the six-month bid, however, the bid would be opened and awarded by the new Board. Ralph Beard made a motion to approve**

**the bid request for Six (6) Month Bid for Commonly Used Items for Grady County. It was seconded by Kirk Painter. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.**

Kirk Painter stated that Jerry was not at the meeting, so he wanted to take no action on the re-appointment of Jerry White. Ralph Beard stated that he had been in contact with Jerry about staying on the Board, and Jerry had stated that he would still like to serve on the Board if the Commissioner's still wanted him on the Board. Ralph stated that Jerry has 30 years of experience on the Excise, Tax Roll, and Equalization Board; he has worked closely with Bari Firestone, County Assessor, in handling the Equalization processes, and that he would still like to keep Jerry for his valuable experience and knowledge.

Ralph Beard made a motion to approve the tabled item of re-appointing Jerry White to the Equalization/Excise Board for the term beginning January 1, 2023. It was seconded by Mike Walker. AYE: Ralph Beard, No: Kirk Painter and AYE: Mike Walker.

Kirk Painter stated that Mr. Burrus was present at the meeting and that he was his choice for the Excise Board as he was a business man and would have been an asset to the County. Ralph Beard thanked Mr. Burrus for being willing to serve the County.

No action on the item appointing Charlie Burrus to the Equalization/ Excise Board for the 2023 term. Effective January 1, 2023.

No action on the item to remove Jerry White as a member from the Equalization/Excise Board for the term beginning January 1, 2023.

Charles Sifers, Assistant District Attorney, gave his legal opinion on the division of road money. In his legal opinion memo, he stated that due to two Commissioners leaving, no action should currently be taken because of Title 19 Section 333. Kirk Painter stated that this was a Board action and that he asked this question to the Executive Board Director, Randy Robinson. Mr. Robinson stated that there was no statute that regarding the division of road money. Mr. Painter stated for 6 years there has been an injustice to his district and his district had suffered because of this. The current division was put in place before he took office and never should have been passed. Ralph Beard asked why Kirk felt he couldn't wait until the new Board is formed in January. Kirk stated that he didn't see any reason to wait on this. Mr. Sifers stated that Title 19 section 333 is why it should wait, as there could be civil and criminal ramifications if they went forward with this change. Mr. Sifers stated that he could not urge them more strongly to wait until the new Board comes in. Kirk stated that he checked twice and that the statutes are completely silent on this issue. Mr. Sifers stated that if they change this today it would be against Legal Councils advice and wanted the record to reflect that. Ralph Beard stated that he understood how Kirk felt about the issue, however, Kirk should have brought this issue to the Board a long time ago so it could have been resolved then. Mr. Beard stated that he thought the proposal of the division of money was fair and wouldn't have a problem getting it changed when the new Board came into office. Mr. Beard asked Kealee Romero if they made the change on January 3<sup>rd</sup> if that would be in time for the new appropriations to reflect this change. She stated that it was enough time. Kirk then stated that he already informed the incoming Commissioners of this and that it was no surprise to them. Bobby Cantu spoke and stated that this was why we have a lawyer to help us do things the right way. Mr. Painter stated that Bobby did not have a vote and he wasn't a commissioner.

Kirk Painter made a motion to change the allocations from highway money as follows: District #1 – 32%, District #2 - 32%, and District #3 - 36% because of the redistricting and the road miles that were changed in each district. There was no second. Motion failed.

Ralph Beard made a motion to approve accepting a donation from Spitfire Flares LLC in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be used for the purchase, equipment, and care for K-9 law enforcement and depositing the check into the K-9 Donation M & O Account. It was seconded by Kirk Painter. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

Ralph Beard made a motion to approve the utility/pipeline road crossing permits, waterline/fast-line permits, and driveway/tin horn permits for District #1, #2, #3. It was seconded by Kirk Painter. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

Ralph Beard made a motion to approve the purchase orders generated by the Grady County governing bodies during the current and previous months and authorize or deny payment of such Purchase Orders 2021-2022: ARPA 2021 ARPA 225007 Grady Memorial Hospital 176836.46; General Equipment 226947 Galls LLC 426.13; Rural Fire-ST Bunker Gear 225138 Chief Fire & Safety Inc 23530.00; Equipment 223119 Chief Fire & Safety Inc 2650.00; Purchase Orders 2022-2023: 911 Phone Service 233257 Lawton Communications LLC 397.50; ARPA 2021 Service 230521 Floyd & Driver, PLLC 14788.77; Donations Service 232849 Dragoon Graphics, LLC 398.00; Emergency Mgmt Service 233044 Critical Comm 1534.43; General null 233280 Postmaster 332.00; Contractual Services 230065 OSU Cooperative Ext. Service 530.44; 232518 OSU Cooperative Ext. Service 10666.66; Equipment/Supplies 232042 Amazon Capital Services 131.50; 233228 Atwood's Distributing LP 162.25; Fees 233068 Grady County Criminal Justice Authority 50000.00; Fuel 232668 Comdata Inc 275.67; 232695 Comdata Inc 573.16; Mileage 232404 Trish Bailey 12.75; Phone Service 233260 Hilliary Communications LLC 208.10; Postage 232276 Quadient Finance USA, Inc. 700.00; Publication 231858 The Express-Star Inc 1748.85; Service 232395 Earnest Williamson 1200.00; 232396 Sanders, Welch, Wallis & Holten PC, Inc 1375.00; 232517 Pure Water Partners LLC 108.00; 232670 Verizon Wireless 120.03; 233027 Intella Vault Backup Services Inc 350.00; 233265 Oklahoma Copier Solutions 142.00; 233282 22nd Century Environments Inc 78.00; 233291 AT&T 3064.91; 233316 Public Service Company Of Oklahoma 5723.06; 233317 Public Service Company Of Oklahoma 699.14; Software 232512 TransUnion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions Inc 157.60; Supplies 232850 Waxie Enterprises, LLC 1706.85; 233211 MTM Recognition Corporation 850.38; 233215 Richard's Printing LLC 640.00; 233246 O'Reilly Auto Parts Inc 15.99; 233252 Gorilla Plus LLC 30.00; 233289 David Schlittenhardt 109.50; Travel 232516 Riley Dubois 346.24; 232519 Lorrana L Reed 10.94; 232520 Jennifer Moore 23.50; Highway Asphalt 232763 Haskell Lemon Construction Inc 44046.79; 232856 Haskell Lemon Construction Inc 9117.53; 232968 T & G Construction Inc 2363.08; 232970 Haskell Lemon Construction Inc 18660.90; 232974 Haskell Lemon Construction Inc 22709.03; 233102 Haskell Lemon Construction Inc 31182.68; 233110 Haskell Lemon Construction Inc 33823.28; Hauling 232764 A&A Trucking 6750.15; 232857 A&A Trucking 2088.09; 232971 A&A Trucking 4273.71; 232975 A&A Trucking 5311.19; 233103 A&A Trucking 7141.44; 233109 A&A Trucking 7732.45; Hotel/Meals 231126 Embassy Suites Norman 300.00; Lease 233237 Security State Bank 2693.71; 233238 SNB Bank N.A. 1774.34; 233239 SNB Bank N.A. 2252.70; 233240 SNB Bank N.A. 2252.70; 233241 SNB Bank N.A. 2803.88; 233242 Caterpillar Financial Service Corp 4368.52; Maintenance 230552 Standley Systems 7.50; Mileage 232972 Kirk Painter 75.00; 233287 Kirk Painter 75.00; Office Supplies 233120 Craig PC Sales & Service, Inc 189.00; Parts 231719 P & K Equipment, Inc 1739.36; 232184 Bruckner Truck Sales/Corporate Billing 84.06; 232299 Warren Power & Machinery Inc 7121.98; 232379 Marshall Auto Parts 1775.35; 232794 Warren Power & Machinery Inc 2358.77; Parts/Supplies 232539 P & K Equipment, Inc 1168.65; Pikepass 232376 OTA Pikepass Inc 228.29; 232538 OTA Pikepass Inc 13.30; 232795 OTA Pikepass Inc 695.91; Repairs 232745 Gregorys Tire 179.88; 233213 Melton's Heat, Air & Appliance, LLC 166.98; Road Oils 232760 Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions Inc 4468.22; Rock 232494 Dolese Brothers Company Inc 9009.20; 232767 Dolese Brothers Company Inc 22588.28; Service 232433 UniFirst Inc 919.74; 232603 AT&T Mobility 60.26; 232858 SWH

Construction 13500.00; 232969 SWH Construction 13500.00; 233101 SWH Construction 13500.00; 233108 SWH Construction 20250.00; 233253 Town Of Rush Springs 84.71; 233288 AT&T Mobility 53.24; 233290 Public Service Company Of Oklahoma 413.84; Supplies 231832 Chickasha Lumber Company Inc 620.20; 232005 Cintas FAS Lockbox 64.59; 232386 Atwood's Distributing LP 687.33; 232513 Taylor & Sons Pipe & Steel Inc 766.00; 232525 Tuttle Hardware Inc 16.49; 232530 O'Reilly Auto Parts Inc 937.17; 232793 Chickasha Industrial & Welding Inc 426.52; 232899 American Logo & Signs Inc. 312.50; 232939 Lawton Communications LLC 69.00; 232963 Amazon Capital Services 279.49; 233250 OKC Tarp & Supply 860.18; Supplies/Repair 232887 H & R Diesel LLC 2228.00; Tires 232950 Southern Tire Mart LLC 4673.16; Waste Disposal 232377 Oklahoma Landfill Holdings, Inc 137.65; ML Fee Lease 231713 Quadient Leasing USA, Inc 214.68; Supplies 233223 Staples Business Credit 525.16; Rural Fire-ST Equipment 231700 Chief Fire & Safety Inc 1474.00; 232719 Lawton Communications LLC 875.00; Service 232679 Comdata Inc 3091.64; 233047 Critical Comm 136.50; 233151 Critical Comm 1674.13; 233152 Grady County Sheriff 380.00; 233293 Summit Utilities Oklahoma, Inc 44.07; 233294 Public Service Company Of Oklahoma 824.24; 233295 Oklahoma Fiber LLC 28.81; 233296 Stephens Co. Rural Water #5 26.69; 233297 Rural Electric Cooperative Inc 174.63; 233298 Verizon Wireless 253.41; Software 233277 ESO Solutions, Inc 1633.00; Uniforms 233278 Chief Fire & Safety Inc 65.00; SH Svc Fee null 233259 Craig PC Sales & Service, Inc 75.00; 233305 Randall Chavers 262.35; Cleaning Services 232910 Jennifer A. Wright 400.00; Lease 232912 Standley Systems 1479.63; 232913 Standley Systems 941.44; Repairs 233254 Parham Body Shop 3872.25; 233256 Express Tire Brake & Alignment Inc 70.00; Service 232909 Pit Stop Lube Center 766.38; 232914 Ozarka Water & Coffee Service 4.99; 232916 Craig PC Sales & Service, Inc 800.00; 232918 Ozarka Water & Coffee Service 4.99; 233222 Cequel Communication, LLC 107.45; Tires 233255 Express Tire Brake & Alignment Inc 670.88; SR Cit-ST Groceries 232554 Cable Meat Center Inc 2919.48; 232558 Cable Meat Center Inc 1588.10; Mileage 232559 Kay Lewis 321.25; 232560 Tami Varnell 83.13; Office Supplies 230143 Chickasha Office Supply 420.18; Plumbing Repair 230144 Carrell's Plumbing LLC 150.00; Service 232570 H & R Block 150.00; 232690 Joyce Garcia 440.00; 233261 Minco Gas Authority 308.36; 233266 City of Minco 232.84; 233283 Town Of Verden 56.15; 233301 AT&T 152.43; 233302 Alex Municipal Authority 28.00; 233303 Public Service Company Of Oklahoma 280.72; 233304 Waste Connections Of Oklahoma Inc 73.81; Storage 232771 Ross Seed Company, Inc 329.00; Supplies 232563 Williams Grocery, Inc. 389.91; Water 232575 Rothers Water Cond Inc 69.55; 232684 Culligan/Douma Water Corp 48.00. It was seconded by Mike Walker. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

Ralph Beard made a motion to approve the county officer monthly reports for the Court Clerk, Health Department, and OSU Extension. It was seconded by Mike Walker. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

Ralph Beard made a motion to approve the estimate of needs, request for appropriations, transfer of appropriations for General Fund. It was seconded by Kirk Painter. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

The board approved the appropriations for the allocation for alcoholic beverage tax for towns and cities collected in November 2022 in the amount of \$22,681.47 for the month of December 2022.

The board approved the cash fund estimate of needs and request for appropriations for the following cash funds:

County Highway	3,179,538.03
County Highway-CBRI	68,974.20
911 Phone Fees	61,754.46

Assessor Revolving Fee	336.00
Assessor Visual Inspection	.45
County Clerk Lien Fee	17,832.00
County Clerk Preservation	16,845.72
Emergency Management Revolving	1,399.88
Sheriff Service	12,630.50
Treasurer Mortgage Tax	915.00
USE Tax	79,011.42
Sales Tax – EMS	27,207.41
Sales Tax – Fairgrounds	236,586.24
Sales Tax – Grady Memorial	209,378.82
Sales Tax – Fire Departments	118,293.12
Sales Tax – Senior Citizens	118,293.12
American Rescue Plan Act 2021	17,442.31
Law Library	2,032.47
Court Clerk Preservation	2,952.42
Drug Court	349.33
Protest Tax 2018	1,442.40
Protest Tax 2019	1,503.68
Protest Tax 2020	9,595.11
Protest Tax 2021	6,818.38
Court Investment #4	3.91
Court Investment #5	7.56
Court Investment #6	30.13
Court Investment #7	9.56
Court Investment #8	19.94
Court Clerk Payroll	20,000.00

**New Business:** Kirk Painter stated that the former Election Board Secretary Susan lost her husband, Scottie Turner. He stated that Mr. Turner was a member of the EMS Board and that they would need to find a replacement for him. Ralph Beard stated that he asked Kim Thomas-Smith to get flowers and to send to the funeral on their behalf.

Mike Walker made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Ralph Beard. AYE: Ralph Beard, Kirk Painter, and Mike Walker.

Meeting Adjourned.

Passed and approved on Monday, December 19, 2022.

The Board of the Grady County Commissioners

Attest:

*Xilee Locke*

County Clerk

Seal



Chairman

Vice Chairman

Member

*Ralph Beard*  
*Kirk J. Painter*  
*Michael A. Walker*

For more information, please refer to the Recording which can be obtained from the County Clerk's Office upon request.