

February 9, 2026
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

The Muskogee Board of County Commissioners met in session at 8:15 a.m. Members present were: Chairman, Keith Hyslop; Vice-Chairman, Kenny Payne; Member Ken Doke; and Muskogee County Clerk, Polly Irving.

1: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved to Open the meeting at 8:33 a.m. The motion was unanimous.

2: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved the Purchase Orders. Commissioner Doke abstained due to a conflict on the Purchase Orders. The motion was unanimous.

3: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved the Monthly reports. The motion was unanimous.

4: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved Regular meeting minutes for February 2, 2026. The motion was unanimous.

5: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved a Pay Application #3 the Muskogee County Okay Road & Bridge Rehabilitation CDBGDR project No. 18664-19 in the amount of \$248,631.26. **District 1 Chief Deputy, Brian DeShazo:** *“This is a just a contractor pay app from our general contractor number three and the amount is \$248,631.26 and this will be the first pay app that we won't actually pay this app until we receive funds from ODOC so this is just getting your early approval everything was appropriate with the pay app we're just waiting on the funding to hit our account and then we will cut the check to APAC so that's how to work from here on out so we're not expending county funds to front the projects.”* The motion was unanimous.

6: Motion

Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Declaration of Surplus for Porum Fire Department consisting of old pagers, flashlights, and communications equipment to be disposed of into the trash. The motion was unanimous.

7: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved a Declaration of Surplus for Porum Fire Department consisting of a 2007 Ford F650 to be sold and all funds from the sale will be placed back into the account in which was paid for out of. The motion was unanimous.

8: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved an Application and Utility Permit 2026-03 from ONE Gas, Inc to maintain a natural gas pipeline located at 2115 W Duncan Road, Haskell Oklahoma in District 3. **Commissioner Payne:** *“This is mine. It's on Duncan Road which is a freshly overlaid road. I will move for approval but just for the record we want to cite the fact that we do have the right to be on site when they do the bore and we plan on doing that.”* The motion was unanimous.

9: Motion

Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Self-Reporting 2026 Inventory List for Fort Gibson Fire Department. The motion was unanimous.

10: Motion

Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Self-Reporting 2026 Inventory List for Haskell Fire Department. The motion was unanimous.

11: Motion

Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Self-Reporting 2026 Inventory List for Council Hill Fire Department. The motion was unanimous.

12: Motion

Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Declaration of Surplus for Webbers Falls Fire Department consisting of a 1996 Dodge Ram to be donated. The motion was unanimous.

13: Motion

Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved an Invoice from Muskogee County Conservation District in the amount of \$450 for OACD 2026 dues. The motion was unanimous.

14: Motion

Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Memorandum of Understanding between Muskogee County and the Town of Summit regarding storm water drainage. **Commissioner Doke:** *"So this is an MOU. The Town of Summit received a grant. What is it? Roughly 1.2."* **Commissioner Payne:** *"Is that the Historically Black Towns?"* **Kevin Wilson:** *"Yes."* **Commissioner Doke:** *"Through OWRB."* **Kevin Wilson:** *"It's actually ARPA funds."* **Commissioner Payne:** *"Eleven of them received grants."* **Commissioner Doke:** *"So it's required to be engineered and HUB is engineering it."* **Kevin Wilson:** *"That's correct. Yeah. Dr. Belden is taking care of the engineering on it, and they actually take care of the mini-project on things that the county is not going to oversee. We've had some discussions with the Town over responsibilities of each party for the MOU, but I think that everybody is on board now. OWRB has given their blessing, and I think we're ready to proceed."* **Commissioner Doke:** *"The reality is that there's a short time frame. This has to be done by, like, what, July or something like that. And so they're hoping that the county can step in, do a six-month bid, knock out any of the construction, and oversee the construction since we're the ones that maintain the roads anyway. So, anyway, this is the MOU that describes sort of the arrangement between the Muskogee County Town of Summit and OWRB. It does allow for the ability for us to front money and be reimbursed out of the grant on the back end. However, everywhere possible, there will be direct pay from OWRB to contractors or whatever. And we prefer that when they can. And I suspect, like, when there's contractors that perform work and are getting paid on the back end, that will be direct pay. But where we might have to front some money is going to be in materials on the front end, like pipes or something like that. We have to order \$50,000 worth of pipes. The services we'll be providing will probably be in the front end. But they assured us they'd be joining on the spot on the reimbursement. And we've already approved to be able to use that on use tax, I think, earlier in the year."* The motion was unanimous.

15: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved to Enter into an Executive Session at 9:00 a.m. to discuss the sale purchase lease acquisition or appraisal of real property located in the City of Muskogee central business district. The motion was unanimous.

16: Motion

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Dokee, approved to Adjourn the Executive Session and resume the Regular Meeting with no action being taken at 9:17 a.m. The motion was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by Commissioner Payne and seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 a.m. The motion was unanimous.