November 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 8:26 a.m. The motion was unanimous.

2: Motion
Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved the Purchase Orders. The motion was unanimous.

3: Motion
Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, 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 November 2, 2026. The motion was unanimous.

5: Motion – NO PAPERWORK PROVIDED TO COUNTY CLERK OFFICE
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved a Platt acceptance for Lopp Ranch Phase 3, Haskell Oklahoma in District 3. **Commissioner Payne:** *"I will state, because we always do, that by signing this, we make no acknowledgments of accepting any roads whatsoever. That's a separate process, and I want that to be noted in my motion. We will deal with the roads when the time comes, but this does not have anything to do with acceptance of roads."* The motion was unanimous.

6: Motion
Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved updated E911 addresses for Quail Creek Addition. **Commissioner Doke:** *"Yeah, so a developer reached out to us saying they were having difficulty getting 911 addresses because of the way the streets have been named. Before any of us even came into office, I guess. And so, they tried to work. They've talked to Laurel. They've talked to Vicki, actually, and everybody that works through the 911 stuff. And they had just said, you know, if we could just go through the process of doing street name changes, which we've done in the past, and we have the ability to do under Oklahoma State law, that we could change the names. In particular, I think the issue was is they had some names of streets that went both north and south and east and west. And they were concerned that somebody called an ambulance or whatever. They may or may not ever make it there. So, I think they went through the changes, made some recommendations for changes, and are asking us to do street name changes now. And that's the paperwork, I think, that we have here."* **Commissioner Payne:** *"Let me ask one question, and I want to get this done today, but also, like I told you before, is there any protocol that we need to go through with neighbors and things like that before we change these notices?"* **Doke:** *"I don't know. I'm not even sure if these already have houses on them or not. But as far as street name changes, I think that we're going to have to do it regardless, because the 911 piece is super important."* **Payne:** *"Yeah, I agree 100%."* **Doke:** *"But I would guess that would probably be up to the developer to work with the folks on the houses."* **Co Clerk, Polly Irving:** *"The only thing I'd like to ask is how's that going to get changed on the Platt, if they're not going to file a plat, or amended plat to do that?"* **Payne:** *"That would be a question to ask too, your right."* **Doke:** *"Yeah, I don't know. And if this is a precursor to that, or if they need to do that in a separate step or whatever, but I'd imagine that if they're already there and we've accepted a plat, we're going to at least have to do the name changes, at least in a preliminary step. Now, whether there's another shoe that needs to fall also, I don't know the answer to that, because I don't know how that affects your office or what the statute is."* **Irving:**

"It affects it a lot." **DA, Janet Hutson:** *"I'll take a look."* **Irving:** *"Okay, thank you."* The motion was unanimous.

7: Motion
Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved the confirmation of the City Council's reappointment of Dr Edwyna Synar to the Muskogee City-County Trust Port Authority to serve a four (4) year term beginning August 30, 2026, and ending August 30, 2030. The motion was unanimous.

8: Motion
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Muskogee Creek Nation and Muskogee County. **Commissioner Payne: "***This is a memorandum stating that the nation wishes to add roads to the nation's national tribal transportation facility inventory. Any business we do with the tribes having to do with roads, whether it's them helping us or us helping them, needs to be on their inventory. And if it's not, then we really can't touch theirs and they can't touch ours. And all this memorandum does is states that we want to work in cooperation with each other to be mutually beneficial to both."* The motion was unanimous.

9: Motion
Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Resolution for Disposal 2026-06 for District 1. The motion was unanimous.

10: Motion
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved a Utility Permit Application 2026-40 for High Springs Energy Storage LLC in District 3. The motion was unanimous.

11: Motion
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved a Utility Permit Application 2026-41 for Vero Fiber Networks District 3. The motion was unanimous.

12: Motion
Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved a Utility Permit Application 2026-42 for Vero Fiber Networks in District 1. The motion was unanimous.

13: Motion
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved the Project Agreement between Muskogee County and Oklahoma Department of Transportation. **Commissioner Payne:** *"PAC funding. I got some money, $350,000 or $60,000 to do a bridge off the PAC fund. And this is just the paperwork that's got to be done in order to receive that money. And I will need to talk to Shelly, too, because I have a feeling that it's going to need-. It's her call what it needs. Well, it's going to need an account that can be tracked specifically and not with a bunch of other accounts. I'll talk to her about it."* The motion was unanimous.

14: Motion
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved to accept the 2027 REAP award in the amount of $125,000 for District 2. The motion was unanimous.

15: Motion
Commissioner Doke made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Quote for Purchase that includes two vehicle trade-in considerations for a 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD from dealer J. Hodge for the Taft Fire Department. **Commissioner Payne: "***They are wanting to trade in a 2019 Silverado and a 2018 Explorer for a 2023 2500. I would guess a brush truck, but I don't know that. There is no financing deal whatsoever on this as to who's going*

to do that or if it's cash or anything else, but it's also just asking possible action regarding a quote for purchase that includes. In other words, they want to know that we're okay with them trading these two vehicles in." **Commissioner Doke:** *"Moving forward or whatever. I don't have an issue with them moving forward with that."* **Payne:** *"I don't either."* **Doke:** *"But we will need all the necessary paperwork."* **Payne:** *"Are you good with moving forward with that?"* The motion was unanimous.

16: Motion
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved to Enter into an Executive Session at 8:48 a.m. to have confidential communications between the Muskogee Board of County Commissioners, county officials and their attorney the Muskogee County District attorney regarding a claim by OG&E for the for bill in the amount of $603,870.38 relative to the Okay Road project. The motion was unanimous.

17: Motion
Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Doke, approved to Adjourn the Executive Session at 9:00 a.m. and resume Regular meeting with no actions being taken at this time regarding the Executive Session. 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 9:00 a.m. The motion was unanimous.