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The Board of County Commissioners of Osage County met at 10:00 A.M., March 16, 2026, in the OSU Extension Building at Osage County Fairgrounds. Members present were Anthony Hudson, Steve Talburt, and Charlie Cartwright

Guests present were: Christina Talburt-County Clerk, Liliana Guillen-County Clerk Deputy, Cindy Murphy-D#2 1st Deputy, Shawna Myers-D#2 Community Engagement, Nona Roach-Citizen, Terry Shreves-Citizen, Jeanie Howerton-Nutrition, Heather Barkley-Nutrition, Carol Conner-Fairfax Chief Newspaper, Lavender Carroll-Court Clerk, Jerry Roberts-Emergency Management, Jerry Butterbaugh-Citizen, Bart Perrier-Sheriff, Achshah Elliott-Sheriff's Office, Matt Clark-Sheriff's Office, Lonnie Jones-Citizen, Brady Jones-Citizen, Sandi Latimer-Globe Life, Ralph Deming-Globe Life, Mike Bennett-Citizen, Juliana Bennett-Citizen, Billy Robertson-Citizen, Kelly Pedigo-Fairgrounds, John Manning-Citizen, Jeff Clymer-Citizen, Ty Loftis-KMPG Radio, Bridget West-Treasurer 1st Deputy, Jeff Wann-D#1 1st Deputy, Ed Quinton-Assessor, Jim Warring-Grand Mental Health, Rachel Asbury-Grand Mental Health, Corey Carolina-Grand Mental Health, Jennifer Mullen-Air Medical Care Network.

Charlie Cartwright led the prayer.

Anthony Hudson led the flag salute.

Citizens input: **Sandi Latimer with Globe Life** ask if she could address their insurance benefits in new business. **Commissioner Steve Talburt** advised if it is not on the agenda, we are not going to hear it.

Matt Clark noted the Sheriff's Office seeking a new media vendor. They sent a contract to Ashley Kane and she's looking over it. It may be on next week's agenda.

Charlie Cartwright moved to approve and sign minutes for March 9, 2026. Anthony Hudson seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried.

Anthony Hudson moved to approve blanket purchase orders #265762-265767. Charlie Cartwright seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried.

Charlie Cartwright moved to audit and allow purchase orders for payment. Anthony Hudson seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried. The following purchase orders were approved: 265283 LEAF 259.97; 265107 THOMSON REUTERS-WEST PAYMENT PUBLISHING 697.96; 265288 TLO TRANSUNION 100.00; 265091 MID-WEST PRINTING COMPANY 103.50; 265632 C&M PLUMBING 703.00; 265718 THE FAIRFAX CHIEF 63.52; 265706 THE FAIRFAX CHIEF 536.96; 265431 ACCO 130.00; 265267 XEROX CORPORATION 168.43; 265672 PREFERRED BUSINESS SYSTEMS 60.00; 265707 KENDRICK McCARTNEY JOHNSON FUNERAL HOME 400.00; 265708 KENDRICK McCARTNEY JOHNSON FUNERAL HOME 400.00; 265683 AT&T MOBILITY 599.25; 264882 O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE 558.72; 265051 PINNACLE TOWERS 663.33; 265370 STANDLEY SYSTEMS 148.97; 265410 STANDLEY SYSTEMS 107.40; 265424 REMOTE MONITORING SERVICE 48.00; 265538 PIONEER FIRE & SAFETY 188.00; 265679 KOFIL 31806.10; 265719 J&J CHAPMAN CONSTRUCTION 98500.00; 265720 PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL 188845.83; 262473 O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE 101.46; 264817 FIZZ-O WATER COMPANY 31.80; 265359 QUILL 629.06; 265472 HITCH N POST 333.60; 265160 ED QUINTON 359.99; 265312 CHRISTINA TALBURT 138.63; 265313 ADRIENNE GUTIERREZ 147.17; 265651 ADRIENNE GUTIERREZ 343.65; 264875 CITY OF PAWHUSKA 219.51; 265043 WINDSTREAM CORPORATION 766.96; 265046 CITY OF PAWHUSKA 255.92; 265050 AT&T 232.93; 265268 CITY OF PAWHUSKA 500.64; 265277 CITY OF PAWHUSKA 4486.11; 265619 KAMO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE DBA K-POWERNET 270.00; 262052 TECHSICO ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS 25.00; 262691 TECHSICO ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS 25.00; 263470 TECHSICO ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS 25.00; 263904 TECHSICO ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS 25.00; 264484 CITY OF PAWHUSKA 1412.96; 265319 B&C BUSINESS PRODUCTS 30.00; 265641 THOMPSON BROTHERS WELDING & INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY 188.00; 260197 BENSON LUMBER COMPANY 7.58; 264794 CINTAS CORP 641.18; 264820 CINTAS CORP 245.89; 263996 HAYDEN HARGIS 208.80; 265440 JANNA METZINGER 383.82; 264499 OKLAHOMA NATURAL GAS 104.96; 265695 FORMBY OIL COMPANY 22052.98; 265427 TULSA ASPHALT 5256.75; 263360 WARREN CAT 5901.85; 264955 KIRBY SMITH MACHINERY EXCHANGE 1733.18; 265373 OX BODIES 820.26; 265616 YELLOWHOUSE MACHINERY 2917.35; 265617 SME OF BIXBY 492.15; 265644 OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION 44.50; 264982 YELLOWHOUSE MACHINERY 5178.14; 265164 LOGAN COUNTY ASPHALT COMPANY 1629.60; 265625 ERGON ASPHALT & EMULSIONS 13269.37; 262256 WHITAKER AGGREGATES 4825.79; 264185 BURBANK MATERIALS 18473.34; 264924 BURBANK MATERIALS 12592.38; 265055 BURBANK MATERIALS 10632.43; 264959 OSAGE OUTFITTERS 149.95; 264960 GELLCO CLOTHING & SHOES 90.99; 264961 ATWOODS HOME-RANCH 150.00; 264963 ATWOODS HOME-RANCH 150.00; 264965 FAIRFAX FEED & RANCH SUPPLY 150.00; 264968 OSAGE OUTFITTERS 144.95; 264969 GELLCO CLOTHING & SHOES 107.99; 264970 GELLCO CLOTHING & SHOES 150.00; 265451 OK CDL DRIVING SCHOOL 2000.00; 265554 OKLAHOMA NATURAL GAS 497.15; 265623 BIXBY RADIATOR 250.00; SUPPLIES 261674 YELLOWHOUSE MACHINERY 7854.19; 264781 FLEET PRIDE 2106.62; 264783 HOMINY AUTO SUPPLY 440.14; 264786 PAWNEE TRUE VALUE 41.97; 264831 AIRGAS USA 511.58;

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264836 C&G OILFIELD EQUIPMENT 249.89; 264940 ATWOODS HOME-RANCH 150.00; 265352 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES 264.62; 265356 GELLCO CLOTHING & SHOES 150.00; 265397 REDLANDS OFFICE SOLUTIONS 133.98; 265454 MERRIFIELD OFFICE SUPPLY 32.49; 265508 THOMPSON BROTHERS WELDING 225.00; 265646 STANDLEY SYSTEMS 76.28; 265680 PAWNEE TRUE VALUE 11.99; 265589 DIRECT DISCOUNT TIRE OF STILLWATER 195.80; 265645 TOWN OF FAIRFAX 582.21; 265657 OKLAHOMA NATURAL GAS 64.80; 265658 RURAL WATER DISTRICT #21 46.02; 265659 KANOKLA NETWORKS 93.11; 265726 WINDSTREAM 640.76; 265109 STANDLEY SYSTEMS 586.48; 265335 PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF OKLAHOMA 21.84; 265349 CYRACOM INTERNATIONAL 8.48; 265346 AT&T MOBILITY 5349.74; 265531 ALLIANCE BUSINESS SERVICES 1083.69; 264475 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES 1987.24; 265336 CITY OF PAWHUSKA 8557.39; 265705 SERVICE OKLAHOMA 748.00; 265233 OSU CTP 65.00; 265248 OSU CTP 65.00; 265453 REBEKAH REEVES 321.90; 265455 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES ADA 127.00; 265158 LEXIS NEXIS RISK SOLUTIONS 200.00; 265676 TM CONSULTING 210.94; 265269 XEROX CORPORATION 511.47; 265653 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES 335.30; 265069 LIFETIME TRANSMISSIONS 6999.40; 265674 HARPS FOOD STORES 174.38; 264793 JUDY DAVIS 78.30; 264798 DELILAH AKIN 96.43; 264837 LORA DOBBINS 60.18; 265448 THE EXCHANGE BANK 2518.79; 265450 ARVEST EQUIPMENT FINANCE 3115.43; 265710 GIMEL 2747.76.

Steve Talburt moved to approve utility permit # **(1752)** for District #1 submitted by one permanent fresh water line and installed in a boring, trenching manner, Starting point in the South edge of Nelagoney running South 2000, with a tec at 1300, Crossing or Parallel to County Road number 2561, Ending point in the 29 Qtr. of the 25 Qtr. of section 10, Township SE, Range NE. Charlie Cartwright seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried.

Charlie Cartwright moved to approve Invoice for Craig County Detention Center in the amount of \$875.00 for the month of February 2026 for Juvenile Detention for Sheriff's Office. Anthony Hudson seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried. **(28787)**

Anthony Hudson moved to approve and sign the following February 2026 reports:

- a. Records and Preservation-Court Clerk **(28788)**
- b. Case Balance and Summary Report-Court Clerk **(28789)**

Charlie Cartwright seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried.

Charlie Cartwright moved to approve and sign Cash Fund Estimate of Needs (SAI 308) for:

- a. City of Barnsdall - \$766.94

Anthony Hudson seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried.

The Board acknowledged invoice #GML2026-OCIA006 from Gimmel, LLC in the amount of \$2,747.76 for final payment from OCIA to be paid from OCIA Professional Services (1301-8-3100-2020). **(28790)**

Charlie Cartwright moved to approve and sign invoice #1100005639 from Touchtone in the amount of \$5,853.81 for Termination of Phone and Elevator Services in the Courthouse to be paid from Gen Gov M&O (0001-1-2000-2005). Anthony Hudson seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried. Commissioner Steve Talburt stated that Touchtone was a contract that was done without the BOCC's approval. It was done by the previous County Clerk; she signed the contract and it should have not been signed without going before the Commissioners. We were paying double for the service in the elevator at the Courthouse. There were 13 of the black boxes that were for voice and fax services that were sent to the offices throughout the County. None of the boxes but maybe one was hooked up and one was put in the elevator. Only 7 of the boxes have been found and the others are nowhere to be found. The service was never used and they didn't follow up on either. We are getting out of the contract, but this is what it's going to cost. It should've never happened, but we are going to do the right thing as a County, by paying the cancellation fee. **(28791)**

Jim Warren and Corey Carolina with Grand Lake Mental Health-Presentation on applying for a grant that will allow two mental health experts to work at the Sheriff's Office. Charlie Cartwright moved to approve application for the Grand Mental Health Grant. Anthony Hudson seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried.

Sheriff Bart Perrier- This will be tied to the 781 money that has been allocated for the Counties, that we have not used. Jim's been working with the Jail Captain, Matt Clark, discussing needs for mental health issues in the jail. **Jim Warring-**Law Enforcement Engagement Director with Grand Mental Health. We're the community care behavioral health care that covers Northeastern Oklahoma. We cover 12 Counties, Osage County included. Osage County is really a different kind of County in fact, number one, it's the largest area in

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the State of Oklahoma County wide, but also encompasses a whole lot of the Tulsa area, Tulsa metro area, and the Casino issues. The Sheriff's Office is dealing with all sorts of different types of mental health issues, substance abuse issues, that most rural counties don't ever deal with. The jail capacity just continues to grow. There's a lot of frustration on how we manage and maintain these individuals. With Oklahoma Forensics Center, when someone is deemed incompetent, they'll basically stay in the jail and be housed there. It could be up to a year to get a bed in Vinita. The toll that's taken on the Sheriff's Department, the staff, the cost and everything else, it just continues to grow. We're trying to get these individuals who do get released from jail, hooked into programs like substance abuse and getting as well as maintaining medications. We will do a conditional release if this individual cooperates in our programs like, rehab in Tulsa, we can get them right into that program. The effects that it has on the staff and the jail population will be tremendous. The liability is going to go down a lot because you will have a mental health professional in the jail, monitoring these individuals the whole time. If need be, we've got them cross-trained, where if there's something out in that field, the deputy needs one of the staff members to jump in the car, and help de-escalate situations. They can do just about anything that the department needs them to do.

Commissioner Talburt- This program will be funded just from that 781? **Jim Warring**- Yes. **Carol Conner**- How much funding would that amount to over three years? **Jim Warring**- Each year there has been about 160. It's never been asked for in Osage County. We want a three-year program to see if we can't make it show a significant improvement. **Carol Conner**- So you have to apply, it's a grant? **Jim Warring**- Yes, each County has to apply. All 77 Counties got an amount, for the last three years, depending on their population. **Sheriff Bart Perrier**- Just to clear up what he's looking at is two CIRT members. We're going to have on each end of the week. So technically we'd have someone there every day during the day. At night, we only deal with the inmates at a limited time because we go lights out. One big thing that really has our attention on the back end, is helping with psych meds. Those meds are absolutely out of this world expensive. **Corey Carolina**- works in the Regional Operations. One of the other benefits is that we're going to be able to help individuals who are being released, come back into the County. They will be able to help with things that they need, like if they have issues with substance abuse or mental health. We will have a team associated with them to help them throughout their journey. That's a huge benefit to have a team of individuals that you can talk to at any time as well as our crisis unit. Also being able to talk to them 24 hours a day in case you're running into any issues over the evening, on the weekends; or holidays. We'll have a team that is available for those individuals.

Mike Bennett-Presentation concerning project spring. **Commissioner Talburt**-Project Spring came last week and spoke with us and gave their side of the Data Center. Mike is wanting to give the citizens side of the Data Centers. I feel like that's a fair shake. **Mike Bennett**- It is an honor to be here today. I want to share some Data Center facts with you. This is one of the biggest bipartisan issues we've had in this country since prohibition. My family is a fifth, soon to be sixth generation cattle producer in Southern Osage County. I would like to start off with making it very clear that there is no current agreement or official plan that is publicly in place with Google and the City of Sand Springs. What I mean by that is everything that they presented to you up here, and presented to the City of Sand Springs, is what they state they intend to do in phase one. For example, air cooling instead of water cooling. Nothing has been approved, and nothing is set in place with a legally binding and executed agreement. Mike Bennett showed a comparison of 65 decibels, 60 and 70 decibels. **Mike Bennett**- This is how it would sound at the property. This is what you'll hear in Osage County 24 hours a day, if they go with air cooling. Remember the AI action plan put in place on July 25? It states as the following: unleashing prosperity through deregulation, work with all federal agencies to identify, revise, or repeal regulations, rules, memoranda, administrative orders, documents, policy statements, and interagency agreements that unnecessarily hinder AI development. Why is this so important to us? In the deregulation documents, they talked to you guys up here about how they're going to follow all the regulations, all the things that are set in place, all the things that they're supposed to do with the U.S. Government. In July of 2025, that documentation was released that releases them from that liability that says, hey, work with the EPA, work with the DEQ, work with all of our Government Agencies to try to eliminate these red tape progresses that are in there. Why is this property so important? Why are they fighting so hard? PSO is the largest single use customer, as of November of last year, it was 1,000 megawatts. When I talked to Mr. Rojas, who is a person who addresses the public with PSO, he stated that this facility would be about half that size, which is about 500 megawatts. It'll be PSO's second single largest use customer. On this property, where they intend to put this thing, there is a 345 kilo volt line that will be able to power the initial phases of this. Sand Springs also has a 3% PSO franchise agreement, and they need Sand Springs involved to provide this power. Without Sand Springs involvement, they can't provide this power. That's why they annexed the property the way that they did, because without it, getting power was problematic. On the issue of power, Google stated they would cover infrastructure costs as related to electricity. In November of 2025, PSO submitted a request for \$1.2 billion rate height that will affect customers by \$10 a month, if approved with OCC. They've also, since then, issued a request for an additional \$25 a month rate height that puts PSO customers' rates at \$35 a month increased. The talking point on energy cost from Google is this will bring citizens more reliable access to energy. My talking point is this is them not covering their share of the costs that they said they would cover in this meeting last week. Due to time constraints, there are other concerns that I'm not addressing today, like Oklahoman's passed the Behind the Meter Law, that allows them to produce and supply energy tax free. They also have energy systems or battery systems called vest, which is a battery, energy storage system, that can trade energy on

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the negative, store and resell to the grid later for profit. As far as water usage goes, Kate talked about water and septic requirements. I go back to their use of the phrase "Phase One" construction will be air cooled and not water cooled. The proposal documents that were presented to the City Council, depicted phase one as an office space, and that certainly can be air cooled. However, with high humidity and the heat in Oklahoma Summers, I do find it truly hard to believe that future growth phases that will include server and computer facilities will be able to adequately cool with only air coolers. The Frontier was able to attain water usage reports on the facility in Pryor, Oklahoma. Last year they used 12 billion gallons of water. We know Skiatook Lake is tapped for a water usage resource on this project. I think it's important to know that Skiatook Lake holds 105 billion gallons of water. So they're looking at 10% of that water usage if they maintain what they're doing in Pryor. On the treatment side, the local municipality can treat up to 3.1 million gallons of water per day. They're currently treating 1.63. If they stayed on track with the usage like they are in Pryor, they're going need to treat a little over 3.3 million gallons a day. With the ability to treat 3.1, where are they going to ship all of that water to? They said they would be sending wastewater to Sand Springs via the sewer system. Sure, as you're well aware, Steve, it's in your District. There is no sewage line along highway 97 going back into Sand Springs, areas six to eight miles from the nearest sewer system. I ask, who's going to cover the cost of these sewer lines? Is Google going to conquer that with their infrastructure cost like they say it will? Or, will the municipality and the citizens of Southern Osage County pay for that? Kate also said they will adhere to the restrictions of guidelines as applied to that. I want to wrap up today with a quick discussion on ad valorem tax discussion. Google keeps calling this our golden ticket for the city, for the area, and of course for the school system. That's a great selling point. Do it for the kids right? We heard the same sales pitch with the lottery, the turnpike and with the marijuana industry, when they all came to town, promising us a golden ticket. Tax breaks and incentives are huge for the Data Centers. Jay Shidler and Martin Roberts, with Oklahoma Commerce, provide a quick access guide and overall guidance from the State of Oklahoma, that shows sales tax exemption, and a cash rebate quarterly on payroll for them. The most important one, to me, is property taxes, also known as ad valorem. I think Ed Quinton can verify the exact number, but at least 80% of ad valorem, I think the actual number is 86%, goes back to schools from your property taxes. Each year, the Oklahoma Tax Commission publishes a report for exempt manufacturing reimbursements. The purpose of this report is to express claims against ad valorem reimbursement funds for the loss of revenue, due to the exemption of sales tax. This is the money paid back to counties, from the general fund of the State of Oklahoma to cover for the lost tax revenue extended to business. This is another example of Oklahoma covering the expense for Data Centers. This was designed to bring manufacturing to Oklahoma, but currently. Our largest user of this program is designated as computers, so it makes up 42% of the total reimbursement program. The most recent report from Mayes County, leads the State with reimbursements at almost \$40 million last year. The next closest County was Tulsa County at just over \$16 million. I'm sure you already know the answer, but if you want to take a guess as to who the Mayes County reimbursement covered? That amount of course was Google, and in 2025, it was \$39 million. If you let that sink in, you and me as tax payers covered a \$39 million bill on behalf of Google for a company that's claiming to be our golden ticket. How does this relate? Google offers most schools an amount for each year that they are not expanding or under construction on their facility. This is under a Pilot Program, which stands for payment in lieu of taxes. Charlie, you heard your generous one-time payment offer for Anderson Schools last year. **Commissioner Cartwright**- Oh yes. **Mike Bennett**- Lets break down the ad valorem taxes. In Pryor School District, if we go with an easy number of 80% of the \$39 million for last year, that number is \$31 million. That means if Google was paying their full amount of taxes, Pryor Schools received over \$31 million last year, instead of their one-time \$2 million offer that they get out of the Pilot Program. That's a pretty significant difference. In addition, if you look back at the report from 2021, this report is issued every year from the State of Oklahoma. That covers for the 2020 year. Oklahoma covered \$40.4 million worth of taxes on behalf of Google. While this County was shut down for Covid, people lost their jobs, and homes. We were still covering Google's taxes, that adds to that reason that might help our fellow Oklahomans. I'd stand up here for hours and share documented facts. I'm sure you guys are ready to put this topic to bed, I know I am. I'm ready to shut this project down. I do want to wrap up today with a challenge. I always challenge everybody to weaponize Google. When you get emails, when you get this information shared with you, simply take that flyer, take that email, and go to Google. This is their product, type in whatever they said and ask if it's true. If they say, we're not going to use water, we're not going to use electricity, we're going to pay our share, just ask Google if that's true. Their own software will tell you the truth. (28792)

Jennifer Mullen with Air Med Care Network-Presentation. **Jennifer Mullen**- with Air Medical Care Network, and I just wanted to visit with you guys about possibly having a membership for all the employees for the County. Air Medical Care Network is the largest membership here for the U.S. we are the Air evac helicopters. What it would do is just go hand in hand to make sure if they are ever flown by us, that all of your employees would, for sure, pay \$0 out of pocket. My actual bases are Ponca City and Claremore, both of those bases work together to help provide air ambulance service for the County of Osage. That's what our whole mission is for rural towns to get the fastest possible care in that golden hour, in case of emergency. **Commissioner Talburt**- We have about 280 employees so I'm just going to save time and say the County isn't ready for anything like this, if you could just email the Commissioners some of that information, so we can look it over. If it's something that we feel like would benefit or that we could use, then we will definitely reach out to you and go a little further in.

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Citizens input: **Carol Conner**- Mr. Talburt, we were talking about the Touchtone Contract. How long have we paid for that? **Commissioner Talburt**- June of 2024 until now. **Carol Conner**- Thank you. **Jerry Butterbaugh**- I have two questions. I think the first one, you might have already got an answer to. Assuming that the mental health program is successful, I'd like it to be pretty successful. Will the grant cover it forever, or is there a likely end to it? **Commissioner Talburt**- I think we got that answer, there's three years built up, and hopefully by the time that it gets used up, there will be other funding that will cover it. We don't have a complete answer that says yes, it's going to be funded forever, but for right now, we have three years stacked up that we can. **Bart Perrier**- I just wanted to clear up that there will be no obligation on that contract if the grant runs out. If we can continue working off the grant, great, if not, then we will dissolve the program. **Jerry Butterbaugh**- The other question comes from a comment that Mr. Bennett made about the amount of water used in that project event. My question is to the Board. Do you have a comprehensive look at the lakes in Osage County, and who's pulling water from them? If this were to happen, obviously, 1% of Skiatook's water, high water, low water, would be going and Kaw Lake, I think, is also connected. Is anybody giving you a comprehensive view, and saying how much water is getting taken and committed for? **Commissioner Talburt**- The answer to that is no, but I think Mr. Bennett might have an answer on what's being pulled from there. **Mike Bennett**- All we can do is look at what they're using in Pryor versus what we use. I think that number is actually closer to 10% of Skiatook Lake. The water supply for Project Spring comes from Skiatook Lake, in an agreement they have with the City of Sand Springs and Sapulpa to pull water off that lake to fund this project. The rest of it will come from Sand Springs municipality between the two, their balance of the water flow, but they've not supplied to my request. The city side is under an NDA, so they can't disclose any of those documents that were shared. I know my conversations I had with the Commissioners that to my knowledge, they have not signed any NDA's on this, and because of that, they can also not get that information. So, we are kind of at a loss on what lakes they're going to reach into for a water source as far as Google is concerned. **Jerry Butterbaugh**- I'm just hoping that somebody is watching, especially over all. The City of Stillwater has taken a certain amount of money, and the City of Enid is connected to a pipeline and is taking a certain amount of water, you know, who's got an eye? Is it 10%, is it 20%, what's committed? **Commissioner Talburt**- Ed have you heard anything about that? **Ed Quinton**- Corps of Engineers is over it, and they're for it. They want to sell the water. It's about the money, not about the land. **Commissioner Hudson**- I've heard numbers, but they're all over the place. **Nona Roach**- The Corps of Engineering told us several years ago, the reason for Skiatook's water levels is because they have to use a certain amount of water that has to flush Bird Creek. It is required, it doesn't matter the level of your lake, it doesn't matter that we're 9 feet below everybody else. That was something that not even the Skiatook Government knew at that time, so there's part of the problem. **Lavender Carroll**- I had a question for the gentleman from Grand. You mentioned Washington County or maybe Bartlesville had two other grants that were helping fund their project. Is that something that you all helped them get that you can help our Sheriff maybe get? **Jim Warring**- What Washington County did was they got the Opiate Settlement, and that was something they did on their own. I don't know how available it was to certain people, but the County Commissioner did that early on way before us. I don't even know if that's available now.

Charlie Cartwright moved to adjourn the meeting. Anthony Hudson seconded the motion. Hudson-yes; Talburt-yes; Cartwright-yes. Motion carried.

Read and approved this 23rd day of March, 2025.

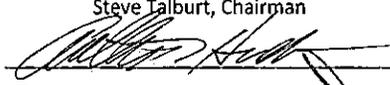
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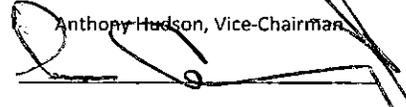

Christina Talburt, Osage County Clerk



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