

The Pottawatomie County Board of County Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 9:05 a.m. The following members were present: Melissa Dennis, Chairman, Abby Thompson and Greg Rush, Members, Stephanie Hutchcraft, 1st Deputy County Clerk, Stacy Bateman-Woods, ADA, were all present at today's meeting.

GUESTS- Bill Rooth, Countywide News, Phil Solinger, Pott GOP, Aaron Scott and Stephanie Scarberry, Pott Co EM, Brad Baney, PCPSC, J.R. Kidney, Tecumseh PD, Laramie Cochran, Sen. Lankford's office, Nickie Skaggs, Pott Co Admin, Kurt Schultz, Maintenance, Robin Ueltzen and Braquel Stephens, Pott Co 911, were all welcomed to today's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- Aaron Scott, Pott Co EM Director, addressed the Board and asked if we could sing the national anthem to honor our country.

UPDATE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE- There were 52 maintenance tasks. All equipment on courthouse HVAC should be installed and operational this afternoon.

UPDATE PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER- The current number of inmates is 327. There are 270 males and 57 females. Fifty-seven were booked-in and 61 released. Five inmates were placed on safety observations.

UPDATE POTT CO 911- There were 4 new address points.

UPDATE POTT CO EM- There was one drone response. Thirteen applicants will be interviewed for the Deputy Director position.

UPDATE POTT CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE- The suspect that stole a trailer from District 3 was apprehended.

MINUTES- A motion was made by Mrs. Thompson to approve the minutes of June 24, 2025 with the correction of motion made by Mrs. Dennis on a resolution. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

MONTHLY REPORTS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the 3 monthly reports of the county assessor. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the temporary appropriations for Pottawatomie County, FY 2025-2026. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the following Transfers of Appropriations: Shawnee SD- \$271,891.00 from M & O to capital outlay; Treasurer School- \$4,393.52 from salaries to benefits; Treasurer- \$33,843.37 from salaries to benefits (\$33,343.37) and capital outlay (\$500.00). Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS- No blankets were submitted at today's meeting.

ASHER PUBLIC SCHOOLS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Asher Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay a yearly lease of \$19,662.00 to Midwest Bus Sales for a 2022 Saf-T-Liner school bus, bid #20-21-9. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

NORTH ROCK CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve North Rock Creek Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay a monthly lease payment of \$9,750.00 to UMB Bank for the FEMA safe room project. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

SHAWNEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Rush to approve Shawnee Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay a yearly lease payment of \$604,083.60 to UMB Bank for the Stucker remodel and paving projects at Will Rogers and Jefferson. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Shawnee Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay lease purchase payment #1 of 7 to Coryell Roofing and Construction, Inc. for \$510,561.04, TOPS #230102. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to approve Shawnee Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax to pay lease purchase payment #1 of 5 to Sovereign Bank, \$134,426.66 for a bus barn located at 3303, 3125, 3331 N. Harrison, Shawnee, OK. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Shawnee Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay their yearly insurance premium to Oklahoma State Insurance Group, \$844,708.00. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

DALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Dale Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay their yearly insurance premium to Oklahoma State Insurance Group, \$260,582.00. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

EARLSBORO PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve Earlsboro Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay their yearly insurance premium to Oklahoma State Insurance Group, \$103,409.00. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

TECUMSEH PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Rush to approve Tecumseh Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay a yearly lease payment of \$108,138.16 to Empire Finance for school buses, SW-110. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

PLEASANT GROVE PUBLIC SCHOOLS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Pleasant Grove Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utilities/bills to: OG&E, ONG, City of Shawnee, Brady Industries- blanket PO, for supplies and Central Disposal. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

ASHER PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve Asher Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utility bills to: OG&E, CVEC, and Tiger Natural Gas. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

GROVE PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve Grove Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utility bills to: ONG and OG&E. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

MCLLOUD PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Rush to approve McLoud Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utility bills to: Hampel Oil (blanket PO), Dobson Telephone, Don's Copiers, De Lage Public Finance, OG&E, McLoud Water Department and ONG. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

DALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Dale Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utilities to: PCRW District 3, ONG, OG&E, Clearwater and Hooten (blanket PO). Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

MACOMB PUBLIC SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve Macomb Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utility bills to OG&E. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

SOUTH ROCK CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve South Rock Creek Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utilities to: CVEC, AT&T Mobility, ONG, Central Disposal, and Tri-County RWD2. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

WANETTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Wanette Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay monthly utilities to: OG&E, Wanette Public Works and ONG. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

REQUESTING/RECEIVING OFFICERS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the requesting/receiving officers for all county accounts as presented. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

IFYR UPDATE- There are over 800 contestants that have signed up. Mowing and clean-up will begin this week. On July 9th there will be a welcome meeting at 5:30 p.m.

CONTRACT- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve a contract with Spectra for use of Heart of Oklahoma Exposition Center in the amount of \$138,685.00. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

ACTION FOR IFYR RODEO- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve posting a notice for commissioners to be meeting together on July 6th at 1:00 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

CONTRACT- No action was taken regarding contract with Oakview Group, same as Spectra above.

SHAWNEE YOUTH & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER GRANT- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to deny the request for Shawnee Youth and Family Resource Center grant so they can apply elsewhere. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT- A motion was made by Mr. Rush and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to approve Pott County District 2 to enter into an agreement with the Town of Pink, OK (supplemental to the

Interlocal Agreement) for repairs and maintenance of roads within the town limits of Pink, OK. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

DISTRICT 3 PURCHASE- Mrs. Thompson made a motion to approve District 3 purchasing (2) Land Pride brush hogs in the amount of \$22,163.68 each. The agenda read \$20,624.64 which was incorrect. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

AGREEMENT- A motion was made by Mrs. Thompson to approve Project No. STP-263D(114)C (Coleman Road) supplemental and modification agreement for District 3. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

APPOINTMENT- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve appointing Randy Thomas (per Rick Stiles recommendation) to the Pottawatomie County Jail Trust Board. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

REAPPOINTMENT- A motion was made by Mr. Rush to approve the reappointment of Harrison Walter to the 911 Trust Board to represent District 2, term ending April 2028. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

Mrs. Rush made a motion to approve the reappointment of Abby Thompson to the 911 Trust Board to represent District 3, term ending April 2028. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

REIMBURSEMENT- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the reimbursement to the Sheriff's Office Foundation for conference registration in the amount of \$2685.00, Richard Finch, Dustin Richardson and Niki Partain. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

UTILITY PERMIT- A motion was made by Mrs. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Rush to approve a utility permit for Tri-County RWD2 in the SENE/4 of Section 23-T10N-R4E crossing Kings Road into the SWNE/4 of Section 24-T10N-R4E. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

PURCHASE ORDERS/CLAIMS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the following Purchase Orders/Claims: 11, 12, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, 98233.82, 911 fees; 206, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service, 1964.20, LAPTOP; 207, 403, 242, ONG, 766.92, gas; 208, White, C, 125.00, lawn care; 36, LUKA, C, 2500.00, Fair Managers; 3550, Alcom Security Systems, 49.95, Fire Alarm Monitoring; 3551, 241, City Of Shawnee, 1487.46, Utilities; 3552, Cook, S, 170.00, TRAVEL; 3553, Countywide News, 688.95, PUBLICATIONS; 3554, Dixon, D, 170.00, TRAVEL; 3555, 3556, EUREKA, 97.48, WATER; 3557, FilterTec, 994.64, Air Filters; 3558, Flewallen, J, 170.00, TRAVEL; 3559, Flewallen, R, 322.24, Per Diem Travel; 3560, Integrated Network Solutions, 2645.97, COMPUTER INSTALLATION; 3561, LOWE'S, 660.87, Supplies; 3562, PRESORT FIRST CLASS, 12000.00, POSTAGE; 3563, QUILL, 115.99, TONER CARTRIDGE; 3564, Shaughnessy Group, 12267.00, Service; 3565, 3566, 3567, Shred-Away, 216.00, Shredding; 3568, South Central Industries, 903.08, Janitorial Supplies; 3569, Springhill Suites Stillwater, 880.00, Hotel stay; 3570, 3571, 448, Vyve Broadband, 12008.31, PHONE/INTERNET; 3572, Wilson, Dotson And Associates, 825.00, ACCOUNTING SERVICE; 3573, Wooten, A, 170.00, TRAVEL; 2292, 440, AT&T, 69.04, Phone/Internet; 2293, Carls Sanitation, 382.50, TRASH; 2294, Cintas - Supplies, 37.63, Floor Mats; 2295, 855, CED 4, 1082.40, Misc Signs; 2296, Frontier Plumbing, 2000.00, PLUMBING REPAIRS; 2297, 858, Higginbotham Bros & Company, 199.46, Parts And Supplies; 2298, 2299, J&A Traffic Products, 5385.60, Misc Signs; 2300, VERIZON WIRELESS, 230.53, Phone; 850, Ada Aggregates, 8716.08, Rock; 851, Atwoods Distribution, 222.48, Tools/Supplies; 852, Centerline Supply, 62835.00, SUPPLIES; 853, CH&W Commercial Tire, 298.31, TIRES AND REPAIRS; 854, Cintas Corporation, 519.66, Rugs; 856, Crafcro, 1637.90, Cold Patch; 857, Hayes Canteen, 405.48, COFFEE; 859, 860, 861, HOOTEN OIL, 19515.39, FUEL; 862, H.O.W Rubber, 558.60, PIPE; 863, MHC Kenworth, 1279.60, Truck Repairs; 864, Plank Auto Supply, 213.08, Parts; 244, 245, Casco Industries, 13325.75, Supplies; 246, 402, OG&E, 5976.88, Utilities; 247, 248, Stolz Telecom, 21522.77, RADIO & ACCESSORIES; 243, Parallel Ag, 266.94, Parts; 441, Dollar General, 396.48, Groceries; 442, 443, 444, Firelake Foods, 2778.48, supplies/groceries; 445, Guderian Foods, 202.95, supplies/groceries; 446, Steves Propane, 300.00, Phone; 447, Story, J, 252.00, Service; 449, Windstream, 248.48, Phone; 220, Anglepoint Surveying, 3200.00, Surveying; 221, Joe Cooper Ford Of Yukon, 320691.00, POLICE CAR. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- At 9:53 a.m., Mrs. Dennis made a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(1) to interview James Bishop for IT position. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

At 9:53 a.m., Mrs. Dennis made a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(3) for confidential communications between Board and its attorney to obtain properties located at 1) 318 and 320 N Broadway, Shawnee, OK, 2) Lots 19-21 Block 9 and Lots 22-27, Block 9 Macomb, OK. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

At 11:22 a.m., Mr. Rush made a motion to exit Executive Session and re-enter Open Session. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

Mrs. Dennis made a motion to hire James Bishop for IT position effective July 16, 2025. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to allow Stacy Bateman-Woods to negotiate in good faith with 320 Broadway, LLC, Nick Atwood & Rochelle Higgins regarding property located at 320 N. Broadway. Also to allow Greg Rush to negotiate with owners of Lots 19-21 and Lots 22-27 all in Block 9 of Macomb, OK. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

ADJOURN- There being no further business, Mrs. Dennis made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis. The meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

ATTEST:

By: Melissa Dennis, Chairman

Raeshel Flewallen, County Clerk