

The Pottawatomie County Board of County Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 25, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. The following members were present: Meliss Dennis, Chairman, Abby Thompson and Greg Rush, Members, Raeshel Flewallen, County Clerk, Stacy Bateman-Woods, ADA.

GUESTS- Ira Romine, Kellie Clay, Pott Co Admin, Joe Vorndran, City of Shawnee, George Wright, CPN, Bob Freeman, Shawnee Conservation, Andrew Martin, Haskell Lemon, Robert Kinsey, Tecumseh Schools, Lacey Holt, Legacy Parenting Center, Shaun Vann, Oklahoma Pre-Med, Kurt Schultz, Maintenance, Doug Van Scoyoc, City of McCloud, Jerry McCormick, Bethel Schools, Suzie Campbell, Countywide, Rob Morris, and Braquel Payden, Pott Co EM, were all welcomed to today's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- There were no public comments at today's meeting.

UPDATE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE- There were 61 maintenance tasks with 5 pm's. The bid opening is tomorrow for the new maintenance building.

UPDATE PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER- An update was not given at today's meeting.

UPDATE POTT CO 911- There were 8 address points created/edited.

UPDATE POTT CO EM- There were 2 drone responses last week. One shelter was mapped on OneMap. The burn ban is still in effect until next Tuesday. They will attend a Hazard Mitigation Plan tomorrow.

UPDATE POTT CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE- An update was not given at today's meeting.

TECUMSEH SCHOOLS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Tecumseh Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to purchase 15 drones and related equipment for the new Aviation Program, TIPS #230905, for \$19,905.79. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

BETHEL SCHOOLS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay for monthly trash service to Republic Services, for \$1,400 monthly. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay for monthly phone service to Go To Communications, Inc. for \$1,900 monthly. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay for accounting software to ADPC Software for \$12,384 yearly. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Rush to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay for a firewall agreement to Norlem Technology Consulting, Inc. for \$14,700. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay for diesel from Paul Penley Oil for \$24,500 yearly. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay for yearly reevaluation fees to the Pottawatomie County Assessor for \$38,000. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to pay for a student information system/gradebook to Sylogist Ed for \$18,000. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve Bethel Public Schools to utilize a portion of their sales tax funds to purchase furniture. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

BID- Mr. Rush made a motion to approve Pottawatomie County going out on bids for mastic seal. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve going out on bid for CMS-1PC scrub chip seal oil, material only. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

MINUTES- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to approve the minutes of August 18, 2026. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis

PAYROLL- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve payroll for August 1 thru August 15, 2026 with one new hire in the court clerk. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

MONTHLY REPORT- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve the monthly report of the court clerk. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

ASBESTOS REMOVAL QUOTES- Four quotes were received as follows for asbestos removal quote for 318 & 320 N Broadway: AMX Environmental- \$24,345.00; AAS Environmental- \$51,550.00; EAI- \$29,763.00; Snyder Environmental- \$43,066.00. A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to accept the quote from EAI for \$29,763.00. The low quote did not meet the specs that were requested. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to approve the following Transfers of Appropriations: General Government- \$8,883.35 from M & O to Floodplain salaries (\$6,375.01) and benefits (\$2,508.34); VAWA- \$182.55 from salaries to benefits. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to approve the blanket purchase orders. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

GRANT ACCESS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve authorizing Braquel Payden to access grants through Oklahoma Emergency Management. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

ECO DEV APPLICATION- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee concerning the application for Jordan Contractors for approval for a \$75,000.00 grant to purchase a Riezler portable mainline CCTV crawler system contingent on purchasing agent going out on sealed bid. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee concerning the application for Axle Surgeon of Oklahoma for approval for a \$60,000.00 grant to purchase a CNC machine contingent on purchasing agent going out on sealed bid. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

LEGACY PARENTING CENTER- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve a \$75,000 request from Legacy Parenting Center to cover a funding gap. Money to come from use tax account. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

XYZ PLAT- No action was taken regarding XYZ plat surveyed by Arkoma Surveying and Mapping.

PRESENTATION- A presentation was given by Pre-Med Defender concerning health care.

PURCHASE ORDERS/CLAIMS- Mrs. Rush made a motion to approve the following Purchase Orders/Claims: 5, 57, Haskell Lemon Group, 116560.04, Service/Asphalt; 3574, Allied Elevator Services, 385.00, Elevator Maintenance; 3575, EUREKA, 38.82, WATER; 3576, LOWES HOME CENTER, 751.55, Maintenance; 388, Tex-Oma Builders Supply, 6668.10, Overhead Door; 205, Pottawatomie County Historical Society, 27694.43, upgrades; 30, Yearwood Design Works, 1200.00, Sign; 31, 416, 23, 24, 25, Amazon Capital Services, 5237.76, LAPTOP/SUPPLIES; 22, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Services, 24000.00, Contractual services; 23, White, C, 150.00, LAWN MAINTENANCE; 407, Wolverine Storage, 248.00, Storage Rental; 408, 47, Davison Fuels & Oil, 8608.93, FUEL; 409, Underground Vaults & Storage, 17.99, Service; 410, 417, 420, Shred-Away, 2385.00, Shredding; 411, Wilson, Dotson And Associates, 825.00, ACCOUNTING; 412, Astech, 3589.00, INSPECTION; 413, Smith, K, 170.00, Per Diem Travel; 414, Rodriguez, T, 917.00, Flower bed cleanup; 415, Confidence Chevrolet, 678.80, Pump; 418, South Central Industries, 658.46, Janitorial Supplies; 419, AE Funeral Services, 350.00, Cremation; 421, Watson & Sons, 960.00, Carpet Cleaning; 422, 284, QUILL, 179.99, Chair/Supplies; 18, 19, Galt Foundation, 9410.60, Employee Rates Pay; 20, X-Treme Termite & Pest Control, 100.00, Maintenance; 21, Quadient Leasing USA, 108.59, POSTAGE; 22, 16, 28, 31, 42, OG&E, 29967.72, electric; 281, I-COM Battery Supply, 159.98, BATTERIES; 282, CL Boyd, 209.04, PARTS AND LABOR; 283, 54, O'Reilly Automotive Stores, 673.11, Parts And Supplies; 285, Great Plains II, 780.83, PARTS AND LABOR; 286, Unifirst Corporation, 541.30, UNIFORM CHARGES; 287, CH&W Commercial Tire, 1604.92, TIRES AND REPAIRS; 288, Stewart Wholesale, 248.17, PARTS, LABOR & SERVICES; 289, Plank Auto Supply, 185.04, Parts And Supplies; 290, Bruckner Truck & Equipment, 315.96, PARTS AND LABOR; 291, AT&T Mobility, 83.46, PHONE; 292, Warren Cat, 1493.86, PARTS AND LABOR; 293, 60, 61, HOOTEN OIL, 25436.72, Clear Diesel; 294, 296, Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, 52.62, Toll Fees; 53, H.O.W Rubber, 146.36, PIPE; 55, P & K Equipment, 1471.24, Parts And Supplies; 56, Cintas - Supplies, 341.10, Rugs; 58, Alert 360, 79.89, ALARM MONITORING; 59, Blades Group, 2388.00, Cold Patch; 62, Gaylon Standlee Const, 14000.00, CONTRACT LABOR; 63, 1, Kellpro, 6806.76, inventory control system;/computer; 17, VERIZON WIRELESS, 572.14, CELL PHONE; 25, Vision Bank, 510561.04, Yearly payment; 26, 30, 11, 387, ONG, 2068.97, gas; 27, PCDA, 747.61, WATER & SEWER; 29, CVEC, 1194.00, electric; 33, Tiger Natural Gas, 11.20, gas; 48, 49, American Self Storage, 282.00, Storage Rental; 12, GFL Environmental / Central Disposal LLC, 122.04, TRASH; 13, 4imprint, 1343.57, SUPPLIES; 41, Windstream, 305.24, Phone; 43, Firelake Foods, 497.58, supplies/groceries; 26, OffenderWatch, 5500.00, Contract. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- At 9:38 a.m., Mr. Rush made a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (C)(11) for confidential communications on matters pertaining to economic development concerning property as follows: A tract of land lying in the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Thirty-Six (36), Township Eleven (11) North, Range Three (3) East of the Indian Meridian, Shawnee, Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma, being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the northeast corner of said SE/4; THENCE South 89°27'54" West, along the north line of said SE/4, a distance of 977.26 feet; THENCE South 00°29'13" East, parallel with the east line of said SE/4, a distance of 120.06 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE continuing South 00°29'13" East, parallel with said east line, a distance of 540.16 feet to a point on the south line of the North Half of the North Half of said SE/4; THENCE South 89°26'54" West, along said south line, a distance of 999.89 feet to the southwest corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of said SE/4; THENCE North 00°27'32" West, along the west line of said NE/4 of the NW/4 of the SE/4, a distance of 621.99 feet; THENCE southeasterly along the south right-of-way line of Interstate 40, the following 4 courses: 1. North 88°18'10" East, a distance 288.28 feet; 2. South 79°50'11" East, a distance of 152.97 feet; 3. North 88°51'13" East, a distance of 229.33 feet; 4. South 80°02'22" East, a distance of 337.32 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said described tract of land contains an area of 13.7631 acres, more or less. As such, the communications in this Executive Session are confidential. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

At 10:00 a.m., Mrs. Dennis made a motion to exit Executive Session and re-enter Open Session. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL- A motion was made by Mrs. Thompson to approve the economic development proposal including entering into a contract. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTE- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Tri-Part Disposition Agreement with chairman Melissa Dennis to act on behalf of the county. Further, the contract is contingent upon the approval of the City of Shawnee. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

NEW BUSINESS- No new business was discussed.

ADJOURN- There being no further business Mr. Rush made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis. The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

ATTEST:

By: Melissa Dennis, Chairman

Raeshel Flewallen, County Clerk