



## CLEVELAND COUNTY BUDGET BOARD

### MINUTES

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Cleveland County Budget Board was called to order at 10:30 a.m. this 10th day of December 2018 in the conference room located at 122 East Eufaula, by Chairman Rod Cleveland. Tammy Belinson, County Clerk/Secretary, called roll and those present were:

Rod Cleveland, Chairman  
Tammy Belinson, County Clerk/Secretary  
Todd Gibson, Member  
Harold Haralson, Member  
Darry Stacy, Member  
Douglas Warr, Member  
Marilyn Williams, Member

Jim Reynolds, Vice-Chairman, was absent.

**Others present were:** Assistant District Attorney Jim Robertson, Linda Atkins, Daniel Thatcher, Susan Burr, Melinda Duke, Brian Wint, Alison Vinson, Sarita Scott, Jacob McHughes, John Roberts, Bryan Jenkins, Brenda Hill, Billijo Ragland, Melissa Nies and Kathy Singer.

After the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of **November 13, 2018** and there being no additions or corrections, Darry Stacy moved that the minutes be **approved**.

Harold Haralson seconded the motion.

The vote was: Rod Cleveland, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Todd Gibson, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Darry Stacy, yes; Douglas Warr, yes; Marilyn Williams, yes.

Motion carried.

#### **A. Items of Business:**

1. **Alison Vinson, HR**, updated on the United Way Pledges that have seen an increase for 2019 to thirty-four donors in raising a little over \$5,000.00. She thanked everyone for making arrangements for the United Way to come and speak to the employees.
2. Melinda Duke, updated on the **Purchasing Department** by saying that the next PCard Class is February 5, 2019 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Norman from 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon. She discussed items that the officials may want to go to auction.

- B. There was no **new business** to come before the Board.
- C. During **Budget Board Members discussions** concerned training starting December 11, 12 and 13th through Tyler Technology and are on target to start January 2019.

Tammy Belinson and Alison Vinson updated on the time-line process with Frank Roby. Tammy Belinson said that the last phone call she had revealed that they are not any further ahead than two months ago.

Alison Vinson said that Mr. Roby said that he still doesn't have the retiree information that he needs in order to move forward on the time-line. Frank indicated that everything else has been done and all the updated active census information has been provided to him.

Darry Stacy said that he is still concerned that they can't wait until the last second to do this and has heard nothing from Mr. Roby thus far and will express his concerns to him this afternoon. He added that Mr. Roby will have to get on the ball if he is going to do anything and added that he does not see it happening.

Harold Haralson said, "I don't think we are going to be online on April 1, 2019, based on the way things are going."

Tammy Belinson said, "That is my biggest concern is that we are changing the financial system and we are changing the payroll system and if we throw another log on the fire, I am just worried that it is not going to go as smoothly as we would like for it to or it needs to. We will have to do a lot of educating the employees and a lot to the retirees. I am worried."

Sheriff Todd Gibson said the directive on insurance when this all began was to provide better service and benefits to our employees and how could we do that bottom line in a cost saving way to the county one of the commissioners even mentioned that even if they had to pay more and it was reasonable that our coverage for our employees that was the goal and I just want the Budget Board to remember and the Insurance Committee to remember that the goal as he recalled was to benefit the employee. It is not about pinching pennies. If we end up saving money at the end of the day that is great, but it is not the primary goal. He has not seen any other documentation from Frank Roby since that last meeting. At this point he is skeptical that we can move ahead to meet the goal of implementing this by April 1, 2018, as planned.

Harold Haralson said that any savings would go back into the benefit program for the employees.

Darry Stacy said that the add-ons are going to cost the employees a little bit more.

Tammy Belinson said, "If you take into consideration all the little add-ons contracts it is adding up, especially, if we go with the lady from Evolutions to match the Health Choice Select. It keeps adding up."

Douglas Warr said, "It sounds like we need a whole new proposal to look at."

Harold Haralson said that based on the last discussion that Frank was here that he was to come back with a new plan that kept the impact to our employees to a minimum and I haven't seen that yet.

Douglas Warr said that he hasn't received one email on anything. I thought we were going to have emails flowing to each official.

Harold Haralson said that it was approved through the BOCC to appoint Alison Vinson to keep all of the elected officials informed.

Darry Stacy directed his question to Alison as to whether or not Mr. Roby had given her a time-line.

Alison said that he gave her a time-line that has boxes to check off to move to the next step, which helps in moving forward before starting the educational process.

Sheriff Todd Gibson asked is there a reason the boxes haven't been checked.

Tammy Belinson said that the retirement information from the State is needed. She said there are a lot of things that need to be ironed out with the retirees.

Darry Stacy said he will ask Mr. Roby what is the latest date that they can move forward with this once the State provides the information that is needed.

Tammy Belinson said, "Since he is coming today, I will try to contact them again to find out where we are at in the process."

Darry Stacy asked, "Are they holding us over the barrel again like they did the other time?"

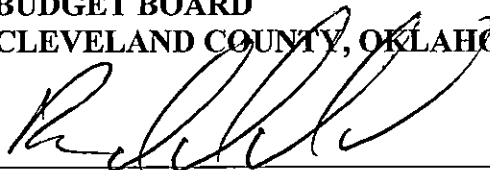
Tammy Belinson said, "No, actually this is a different division in getting the information from the insurance on the actuals. It is a totally different division."

D. No **comments** were made from the **public** at this time.

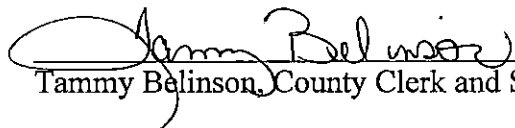
E. There being no further business to come before the Board, Harold Haralson moved that the meeting be **adjourned** at 10:50 am. The motion was seconded by Darry Stacy. The vote was: Rod Cleveland, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Todd Gibson, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Darry Stacy, yes; Douglas Warr, yes; Marilyn Williams, yes. Motion carried.

(Clerk's Note: The agenda was posted Friday, December 7, 2018 @ 8:41 A.M.)

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CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

  
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Rod Cleveland, Chairman

**ATTEST:**

  
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Tammy Belinson, County Clerk and Secretary to the Board

Minutes Prepared by:   
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Deputy County Clerk

