

# CLEVELAND COUNTY BUDGET BOARD

## MINUTES

DECEMBER 09, 2013

10:30 A.M.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Cleveland County Budget Board was called to order this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013 in the Law Library, located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Cleveland County Courthouse, by Chairman Rusty Sullivan. Tammy Belinson, County Clerk/Secretary, called roll and those present were as follows:

Rusty Sullivan, Chairman  
Jim Reynolds, Vice Chairman  
Tammy Belinson, Secretary  
Rod Cleveland, Member  
Joseph Lester, Member  
Darry Stacy, Member  
David Tinsley, Member

Member Rhonda Hall was absent.

Others present were: Assistant District Attorney Heather Darby, Stephen Koranda, Melinda Duke, Mona Nelson, Christie Morren, Sam Woodfork and Linda Atkins.

After the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting November 12, 2013 and there being no additions or corrections, David Tinsley moved that the minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Jim Reynolds.

The vote was: Rusty Sullivan, yes; Jim Reynolds, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Joseph Lester, yes; Darry Stacy, yes; David Tinsley, yes.  
Motion carried.

### A. Old Business:

1. Chairman Rusty Sullivan called for **Discussion, Consideration and/or Action on Cleveland County Satellite Offices**. Darry Stacy said they are still in the process of getting the plans to the satellite office as well as a report on the utilities, but have not received them as of today. As soon as they do come in he will make copies and get those to everyone.  
(At this point, Member Rhonda Hall entered the meeting.)  
Jim Reynolds said that they have discussed this and are not completely sure they can do this. He said that by offering partial services it would be more of a hindrance than help. They would need at least four or five people for effectiveness. He discussed his concerns with David Tinsley and Tammy Belinson and one issue is that tax collection is all they could do. He questions if it justifies having a big staff for collecting payments. Other issues would surface on handling the money and the need for security that only a Sheriff's Deputy can give. At best, they could only have someone there for informational purposes. He said that there would be limitations for their office.

David Tinsley said that for their part for it to work it would depend on the use of Skype, and as far as technology wise it would work.

He said that if someone came in from the north part of the county and they wanted to talk about their value and have previously talked with an appraiser and wanted to talk with him or a first deputy they could do so through Skype.

He said that forms are on-line anyway and said that would be their approach to the situation. David Tinsley asked what type of Sheriff's Office presence they would have there. Darry Stacy said that Undersheriff Rhett Burnett assured him they would have a presence there at various times of the day.

Rhonda Hall said that it would not work out for the Court Clerk's Office.

Tammy Belinson said that during the days after the tornado disaster it would have been nice to have something in the Moore area.

Discussion was had about several options. One is cross training; second option is that each office takes a day for a presence there; and third option is to have presence there all the time.

Tammy Belinson asked if there were other counties that have satellite offices.

Jim Reynolds said that we are either all in or all out. If people don't get service they are going to leave more frustrated than having to drive to Norman.

He recommended having a point person to visit with the elected officials on the costs and feasibility of having a satellite office. Darry Stacy said that he did that once, but would be glad to do it again to see where everyone is at.

Tammy Belinson said the need is to have IT on board and to gather some cost estimates. Darry Stacy said that he wanted to make it perfectly clear that the Commissioners will not have an office there. He said that it is up to the other offices to decide if this will work out to their advantage.

Rusty Sullivan said that if we do this, do staffing in full force and, in his opinion; it will cause more problems if it isn't.

Darry Stacy said that he will be more than happy to go back around to each office. Sheriff Lester mused that it didn't make much sense to store records in an area where tornadoes go through.

Tammy Belinson asked if this is an item for discussion at the next meeting.

Sheriff Lester moved that this item be tabled until a later date.

Tammy Belinson seconded the motion.

The vote was: Rusty Sullivan, yes; Jim Reynolds, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Rhonda Hall, yes; Joseph Lester, yes; Darry Stacy, yes; David Tinsley, yes.

Motion carried.

**B. There was no new business to come before the Board for discussion.**

**C. Budget Board Members Discussions Regarding County Business:**

Jim Reynolds asked about the parking across the street being restricted.

Rusty Sullivan said there is some work still being done on the south parking lot; they are encouraging employees to park in the south parking lot, but are not required to do so yet.

Discussion was had about the hiring of a new Election Board Secretary.

**D.** There were no **comments** made from the **Public**.

**E.** There being no further business to come before the Board, Tammy Belinson moved that the meeting be adjourned at 10:55 am. The motion was seconded by Rhonda Hall. The vote was: Rusty Sullivan, yes; Jim Reynolds, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Rhonda Hall, yes; Joseph Lester, yes; Darry Stacy, yes; David Tinsley, yes.  
Motion carried.

(Clerk's Note: Agenda was posted on December 4, 2013 at 12:18 pm.)