LATIMER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

The Latimer County Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Monday, September 8, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Latimer County Courthouse located at 109 N. Central, Wilburton, OK. Members present were Jeremy Bullard and Rodger Kimble. Jaden Petty was absent. Guests were Jana Scott, Nathan Montgomery, Wade Hoyt Thomson, Luke Underwood, Karen Ford, Chris Church, Regina Kennedy, Larry Milligan, Curt Anderson Troy Sturgeon, Rowletta Anderson and Blake Sturgeon. Erin Adams, Latimer County Clerk took the minutes.

Jeremy Bullard, Chairman called the meeting to order.

Jeremy Bullard made a motion to approve and sign minutes from 09/02/2025. Rodger Kimble seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Bullard-aye; Kimble-aye. The motion carried.

Rodger Kimble made a motion to approve and sign the miscellaneous appropriations.

Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Bullard-aye; Kimble-aye.

The motion carried.

Rodger Kimble made a motion to approve the monthly report for the Assessor for August 2025. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Bullardaye; Kimble-aye. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Collection Summary thru: 08/29/2025 from the Treasurer.

Rodger Kimble made a motion to approve to go out for 6-month bids. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Kimble-aye; Bullard-aye. The motion carried.

Rodger Kimble made a motion to approve the Resolution for bituminous material and bituminous surface courses regarding 6-month bids. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Kimble-aye; Bullard-aye. The motion carried.

Rodger Kimble made a motion to approve the Purchase Card Payment Approval Form for Highway totaling \$98.33. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Bullard-aye; Kimble-aye. The motion carried.

No new business was discussed.

At 10:00 a.m. discussion for the purpose of discussing the possible conversion of Buffalo Valley Volunteer Fire Department to a county fire department and to examine said petition and the proposed boundaries, general public comments and questions.

Commissioner Kimble stated that the petition was presented to the Latimer County
Board of County Commissioners regarding the conversion. Kimble stated that retirement will
come from the Forestry Department. Kimble also stated that significant research had been done
and he felt that there was no reason not to follow through with the conversion for the fire
department. Mr. Anderson stated concerns regarding the repercussions of the conversion; but
also felt that the conversion would be beneficial. The board members of the fire department
will be set by the Board of County Commissioners of Latimer County-a 5-member board with a
rotating term each year.

Rodger Kimble made a motion to approve the Petition of Conversion of the Buffalo Valley Volunteer Fire Department to a County Fire Department. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Kimble-aye; Bullard-aye. The motion carried.

Rodger Kimble made a motion on establishing the name of the Buffalo Valley Volunteer Fire Department regarding the conversion. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Bullard-aye; Kimble-aye. The motion carried.

Rodger Kimble made a motion on the following appointments to the Buffalo Valley Volunteer Fire Department: Member 1-Tom Lucas/serving a 5-year term. Member 2-Jerry Mathews/serving a 4-year term. Member 3-Regina Kennedy/serving a 3-year term; Member 4-Rowletta Anderson/serving a 2-year term. Member 5-Jason Kennedy/serving a 1-year term. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Kimble-aye; Bullard-aye. The motion carried.

Rodger Kimble made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2025-34 regarding the establishment and appointments to the Buffalo Valley Volunteer Fire Department. Jeremy Bullard seconded the motion. The motion was voted as follows: Bullard-aye; Kimble-aye. The motion carried.

Jeremy Wayne Bullard, Chairman

Rodger Kimble, Vice-Chairman

Jaden Petty, Member

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