



**Fairland** (Continued from pg. 1) — issued for Big Baller Blossoms. Despite going inactive, the business still showed active inventory and was operational without a valid Oklahoma registration, court records show. Agents flew a drone over the property and observed multiple hoop house growing structures and multiple individuals actively working on the property consistent with marijuana cultivation and processing, records show. A search warrant was executed on Jan. 21, but only 19.32 pounds of marijuana were recovered. Another 13.8 pounds were recovered from a RV trailer. Chang currently remains at large.

**Afton** (Continued from pg. 1) — student activities. Additional updates were provided through administrative and board reports, offering insight into ongoing district operations and programs. The agenda included an item for new business, allowing the board to address additional matters as needed before concluding the meeting. Decisions made during the meeting reflect ongoing efforts to prepare for the upcoming school year while maintaining daily operations across the district. The agenda for the meeting was posted April 13 at 7:30 a.m. on the superintendent's office window and the district's website.

**Ottawa** (Continued from pg. 1) — commissioners approved a Detention Transportation claim for FY2026 in the amount of \$224.30, in addition to a county purchase card payment. Checks for deposit approved included: \*From Ottawa County to the Clerk Fund in the amount of \$334.82. \*From Unifirst in the amount of \$54.10. \*To Paradise Point fund in the amount of \$142.64. \*From Steel City Metals to the District #3 fund in the amount of \$472.60. \*In the amount of \$11,000 from ACCO to the District #1 fund for property damage.

**Law Day** (Continued from pg. 1) — proclamation in 1958; in 1961, Congress set aside May 1 as a day for all Americans to celebrate their freedom and the ideals of equality and justice under the law. More information about Law Day is available on the OBA website at okbar.org/lawday. The 19,000-member

Oklahoma Bar Association, headquartered in Oklahoma City, was created by the Oklahoma Supreme Court to advance the administration of justice and to foster and maintain learning, integrity, competence, public service, and high standards of conduct among Oklahoma's legal community.

**Authorities** (Continued from pg. 2) — the conclusions reached by investigators and believes her mother's death was not fully examined. "We don't agree with anything — the sheriff's report or the medical examiner's report," Ward said. "Her house and car were falling apart. Where is the money?" Ward said the family continues to have unanswered questions and remains unsatisfied with the investigation's outcome. Authorities said the Muskogee County Sheriff's Office and the Oklahoma

Chief Medical Examiner's Office investigation took precedence over the financial case to avoid interference with determining the cause and manner of death.

## Grand Lake to host 2026 TNT Fireworks Bassmaster Team

B.A.S.S. announced that Grand Lake O' the Cherokees in Grove will serve as the host site for the 2026 TNT Fireworks Bassmaster Team Championship, scheduled for Dec. 9-12.

The championship will bring together top grass-roots team trail anglers from across the country to compete on one of the most respected fisheries in the United States. The four-day event will feature team competition followed by an individual finale, where qualifying anglers will compete for a coveted berth in the Bass Pro Shops Bassmaster Classic presented by Under Armour. "We're incredibly excited to host the 2026 Bassmaster



Team Championship on Grand Lake," said Brent Malone, Executive Director of the Grove Convention and Tourism Bureau. "It's an honor to welcome anglers and fans from around the world to experience Grand Lake O' the Cherokees. We're ready to roll out the red carpet for them. Anytime we get to showcase one of the best fisheries in the United States — along with one of the finest facilities and a community that truly loves fishing — it's a special opportunity. Bassmaster has become a tremendous partner to our city, and we're always thrilled to host any of their events."

The TNT Fireworks Bassmaster Team Championship represents one of the most unique and exciting formats in competitive bass fishing. Teams will compete over the first two days of the event, combining weights to determine the top-performing duos. From there, the top five teams will advance to the Bassmaster Classic Fish-Off, where they will compete head-to-head for the final spot in the 2027 Bassmaster Classic — bass fishing's most prestigious championship.

Grand Lake O' the Cherokees, often simply referred to as Grand Lake, is widely recognized for its versatility and consistent production of quality largemouth bass. Spanning more than 46,000 acres with over 1,300 miles of shoreline,

the lake features a diverse mix of structure, including rock banks, docks, timber, and offshore ledges, providing a variety of patterns for anglers to explore.

December on Grand Lake presents a dynamic challenge, with anglers often targeting bass transitioning between fall and winter patterns. Water temperatures, weather fluctuations, and changing baitfish movements create opportunities for both shallow and offshore techniques, making adaptability a key factor in success. Competitors can expect to utilize a wide range of approaches, from power fishing along rocky banks and docks to finesse presentations in deeper water.

"Grand Lake is a proven fishery that offers both consistency and the potential for big limits, which makes it an ideal location for the Team Championship," said GL Compton, B.A.S.S. Nation Tournament Manager. "The layout of the lake and the seasonal conditions in December will challenge anglers to make smart decisions and adjust quickly. It's the kind of venue that rewards versatility, and we're excited to see how these teams perform on such a respected body of water."

Grove has established itself as a premier destination for competitive fishing, with a strong history of hosting major Bassmaster events and a community that embraces

anglers and outdoor enthusiasts. The area offers excellent access, facilities, and local support, ensuring a first-class experience for competitors and fans alike.

The TNT Fireworks Bassmaster Team Championship also highlights the strength of grass-roots fishing, bringing together anglers who have qualified through local and regional circuits to compete on a national stage. The opportunity to advance to the Bassmaster Classic adds an additional level of excitement and stakes, as anglers chase a dream that begins at the club level.

"Events like the Team Championship showcase the foundation of our sport, where everyday anglers have the opportunity to compete for something truly special," Compton added. "Grand Lake provides the perfect setting for that kind of competition, and we're looking forward to an outstanding event."

The 2026 TNT Fireworks Bassmaster Team Championship is expected to draw anglers, families, and fans from across the country, delivering both high-level competition and a celebration of the passion that drives bass fishing at every level. For more information on the Bassmaster Team Championship, visit Bassmaster.com.

This event is being hosted by the City of Grove and the Grove Convention and Tourism Bureau.

## Legals

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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### OTTAWA COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES

April 13, 2026

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM. on Monday, April 13, 2026 with the following members present: Chairman Mike Furnas, Commissioners Robert Clark and Scott Hilton. Notice of the meeting was posted at the south door of the Ottawa County Courthouse April 8, 2026 at 10:21 A.M. Commissioners' Meeting Agendas and Minutes can also be found online at ottawa.okcounties.org.

1. Call to order.
2. Pledge of allegiance.
3. Motion by Clark, second by Hilton, to approve minutes of April 2, 2026, and April 6, 2026. By vote: Furnas, aye; Clark, aye; Hilton, aye.
4. Motion by Clark, second by Hilton, to approve claims presented to the Board: 2025-2026 CH Improv-ST 166, FOUR STATE AIRCO, 685.00, SERVICE CALL; General 1907, PITNEY BOWES BANK INC RESERVE ACCOUNT, 2000.00, POSTAGE 1908, CRAIG CO DETENTION CENTER, 3290.00, JUVENILE DETENTION 1909, SPARKLIGHT, 102.78, PHONE BILL 1910, A T & T, 114.32, INTERNET SERVICE 1911, STATE AUDITOR & INSPECTOR\*, 3148.41, AUDITING SERVICES 1912, MIAMI FIRE PROTECTION\*, 130.00, INSPECTIONS 1913, EASY ICE LLC, 220.81, SUBSCRIPTION 1914, CODE3 SECURITY, 1458.56, SECURITY SERVICES 1915, TELECOMP HOLDING INC, 762.71, PHONE BILL 1916, LAKELAND OFFICE SYSTEMS\*, 40.71, CONTRACT BASE RATE CHARGE 1917, NORTHEAST DIST ASSESSOR'S ASSOC, 200.00, TRAVEL EXPENSES 1918, A T & T MOBILITY, 151.22, PHONE BILL 1919, A T & T MOBILITY, 47.40, PHONE BILL; Health 179, TRACE CRAGHEAD, 300.00, LAWN CARE 180, SHERI REDD-THOMAS, 262.45, TRAVEL EXPENSES 181, HALEY HOWARD, 227.02, TRAVEL EXPENSES 182, INTEGRIS MIAMI HOSPITAL, 108.00, X-RAYS 183, HOMETOWN WATER & COFFEE SERVICE, 56.00, BOTTLED WATER 184, OK STATE DEPT OF HEALTH, 3485.21, Payroll 185, RITE-TEMP LEASING LLC, 155.00, LEASE PAYMENT; Highway 1317, MIKE FURNAS, 315.06,

- TRAVEL EXPENSES 1318, JAMES BOYES, 14.21, TRAVEL EXPENSES 1319, JOSHUA TURNER, 14.21, TRAVEL EXPENSES 1320, WEDDEL, YANCEY B.E., 15.31, TRAVEL EXPENSES 1321, KRISTA FOSTER, 347.38, TRAVEL EXPENSES 1322, OK DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION\*, 2060.00, LEASE PAYMENT 1323, OK DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION\*, 1755.08, LEASE PAYMENT 1324, OK DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION\*, 2575.00, LEASE PAYMENT 1325, OK DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION\*, 2144.76, LEASE PAYMENT 1326, OK DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION\*, 2144.76, LEASE PAYMENT 1327, KATNER MILLS\*, 178.89, REPAIRS 1328, MIAMI INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY\*, 129.69, REPAIRS 1329, MST RECEIVABLES LLC, 993.80, SUPPLIES 1330, MISACO SIGN & SCREENPRINTING\*, 177.00, SAFETY EQUIPMENT 1331, SPRINGDALE TRACTOR CO., 769.47, REPAIRS 1332, ACE HARDWARE, 913.40, SUPPLIES 1333, HOMETOWN WATER & COFFEE SERVICE, 9.00, SUPPLIES 1334, QUAPAW NATION UTILITIES AUTH, 72.00, UTILITIES 1335, UNIFIRST CORPORATION, 47.25, SHOP SUPPLIES 1336, HUGHES LUMBER CO\*, 36.40, MATERIALS 1337, B & B AUTO SUPPLYINC\*, 452.48, SHOP SUPPLIES 1338, LOOPER GENERAL REPAIR\*, 160.44, EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE 1339, A T & T MOBILITY, 270.88, SECURITY SERVICES 1340, OK CORPORATION COMMISSION, 50.00, LICENSE RENEWAL 1341, U S CELLULAR, 135.51, CELLPHONE 1342, A T & T MOBILITY, 377.91, EQUIPMENT TRACKER 1343, B & L WATERWORKS SUPPLY\*, 40.29, EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE 1344, YELLOWHOUSE MACHINERY CO, 210.72, EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE 1345, VANCE GMC, 52.35, VEHICLE MAINTENANCE 1346, AG PARTNERS COOPERATIVE INC, 2421.13, FUEL 1347, GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT SERVICES, 8.64, TURNPIKE TOLLS 1348, FAIRLAND PUBLIC WORKS\*, 106.05, UTILITIES 1349, A T & T MOBILITY, 450.72, SECURITY EQUIPMENT 1350, MIAMI SPECIAL UTILITY AUTHORITY, 32.95, UTILITIES 1351, OK CORPORATION COMMISSION, 50.00, REGISTRATION FEE 1352, AUTOMOTIVE OF FAIRLAND\*, 14.36, PARTS; Hwy-ST 438, LAMBERTS TRACTOR, 1997.50, REPAIRS 439, JOHN

- FABICK TRACTOR CO\*, 569.96, REPAIRS 440, MIDWEST MINERALINC / BANK OF AMERICA, 8163.14, MATERIALS 441, O REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC, 407.90, REPAIRS 442, TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN, 438.46, REPAIRS 443, KEMP STONE CO INC\*, 2795.08, MATERIALS 444, KEMP STONE CO INC\*, 302.62, MATERIALS 445, EQUIPMENTSHARE.COM INC, 1284.38, PARTS 446, M&J EQUIPMENT SERVICES LLP, 36871.11, REPAIRS; RM&P 15, FIRST NATL BANK OF MIAMI\*, 55.00, SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX; Rural Fire-ST 129, A T & T, 370.82, PHONE BILL 130, HENRYS WELDING SUPPLY & MORE, 711.85, BATTERIES; SH Svc Fee 224, COLLINS TOWING & RECOVERY, 278.30, TOWING 225, TRANSLUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE, 175.00, USER FEE. By vote: Hilton, aye; Clark, aye; Furnas, aye.
7. Motion by Clark, second by Hilton, to approve Lease Purchase Agreement between Ottawa County Commerce Fire and Jay Hatfield Motor Sports for a Polaris Ranger Crew XP 1000 Northstar Serial #4XARSU993T8029127. Lease purchase price \$54,126.00. By vote: Hilton, aye; Clark, aye; Furnas, aye.
  8. Motion by Clark, second by Hilton, to approve transfer of appropriations: Account #1216350004110 transferred to #1216350001110 in the amount of \$103,000.00. Health Department. By vote: Hilton, aye; Clark, aye; Furnas, aye.
  15. Motion by Clark, second by Hilton, to approve the following checks for deposit: Quapaw Services Authority in the amount of \$12,603.17 to District 1. Ottawa County in the amount of \$634.32. Highway District 2. By vote: Hilton, aye; Clark, aye; Furnas, aye.
  16. Commissioners' activity reports. District 1: reported line-of-site work, also thanked Miami High School for helping with the net wrapping removal. District 2: reported spraying, routine maintenance. District 3: reported routine maintenance and clean up.
- Motion by Clark, second by Hilton, to Adjourn. By vote: Hilton, aye; Clark, aye; Furnas, aye.
- Mike Furnas, Chairman  
Robyn Mitchell, County Clerk

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