

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF MIAMI COUNTY, KANSAS**

The Board of Miami County Commissioners met in regular session, in the Commission Chambers, Miami County Administration Building, Paola, Kansas, on September 13, 2023. Those present were:

Tyler Vaughan, Chairman	Stacey Weaver, Deputy County Clerk
George Pretz, Pro-Tem	Shannon Gaboni, Operation Specialist
Keith Diediker, Commissioner	
Rob Roberts, Commissioner	
W. Jene Vickrey, Commissioner	

Absent: Shane Krull, Administrator

Visitors: Jeff Oliver, Renee Slinkard

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Vaughan called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as follows:

- Approval of minutes of the county commission meeting on September 6, 2023.
- Approval of AP payment vouchers and payroll
- 23009-SUB: Leonard Estates Subdivision Plat

Commissioner Diediker seconded; the vote was unanimous.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS AND PROCLAMATION

Proclamation – Constitution Week. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Diediker seconded; the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Sitting as Miami County Fire Board District #1 – 1:03 p.m.

Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, requested the Commissioners permission to revert back to the quote that Fontana Fire obtained for the purchase of a new UTV. The quote received is for a 2023 Polaris Ranger Crew XP1000 from Kirby Super Sports for \$22,499.00. A grant was received from the Kansas Forest Service for \$4,999.00 to assist with the purchase of the UTV. A trailer from Stone Farms for \$3,700.00 and a Fire/EMS Skid for \$7,595.00 will also be purchased for use with the UTV. The total closed less the grant comes to \$28,795.00 out of the capital budget. Commissioner Roberts moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, requested the Commissioners approval of response area change from Wellsville to Paola. Wellsville Fire Department (WFD) covers portions of the camping areas at Hillsdale State Park (Crappie Cove, Qual Run Campgrounds, Russell Crites Ramp, and the swim area). WFD must travel through several miles of the Paola Fire Department's (PFD) response area to reach the campgrounds. It is an 18-mile run to reach this area for WFD and only 12 miles for PFD. There will be some additional volunteer pay for the PFD with the change in response area and Mr. Whelan projects approximately 5-6 calls for service in the campground annually. Commissioner Roberts moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Diediker seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Exiting as Miami County Fire Board District #1 – 1:08 p.m.

Frank Burrow, EMS Chief, requested the Commissioners approve the purchase of equipment for Medic 7 and the maintenance agreement for the current RAD 57 units. The maintenance agreement for the RAD 57 units is a 3-year term for a total price of \$3458.00. The total for the new equipment for Medic 7 is

\$21,020.00. Commissioner Diediker moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Vickrey seconded; the vote was unanimous. (A23-09-066)

STAFF COMMENTS

Frank Burrow, EMS Chief, updated the Commissioners that Lucas Mellinger, Financial Director, sent out their revenue projections. Chief Burrow also gave an update on Medic 5 due to it over heating. Diagnostics were run and it was advised there could be a possible blown head gasket. Currently it is being taken apart and Chief Burrow will be updated on the cause. Medic 7 is a 2019 with approximately 112,000 miles on the odometer.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Pretz said more than two Commissioners may be present at the Miami County Farm Bureau Legislative Picnic at Isinglass Estates on September 21, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Vaughan deferred his comments and gave Renee Slinkard the opportunity to speak on and accept the Constitution Week Proclamation. Ms. Slinkard said September 17, 1787, is Constitution Day. In 1954 the Daughter's of the American Revolution petitioned Congress to pass Constitution Week, which passed unanimously. It was signed into law by President Eisenhower on August 2, 1956. Ms. Slinkard wants to promote awareness and urges people to commemorate, celebrate, fly your flags and share the Constitution with your family members.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tyler Vaughan".
Tyler Vaughan, Chairman

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "Janet White".
Janet White, County Clerk