

**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 July 21, 2021. Those present were:

Rob Roberts, Chairman	Shane Krull, County Administrator
Danny Gallagher, Commissioner	Shelley Woodard, County Counselor
George Pretz, Commissioner	Janet White, County Clerk
Phil Dixon, Commissioner	Casey d'Augereau, Executive Secretary

Absent: Tyler Vaughan, Pro-Tem

News: Doug Carder, Miami Republic News

Visitors: Jennifer Williams, Charlie Koch

CALL TO ORDER

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Approval of minutes of the County Commission meeting on July 14, 2021
- Approval of AP payment vouchers & Payroll
- Add-on:
 - Approve amended minutes for 10/03/2018 approving Franklin County and Douglas County Inmate Agreements (A18-10-19), currently the minutes reflect Franklin County only.

Commissioner Pretz seconded, the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Shane Krull, County Administrator, requested the Commissioners to consider accepting the Airport Advisory Board's recommendation to utilize Olsson as the airport consultant for a five-year term from 2022 – 2027. The FAA requires Miami County Airport to resolicit for airport consultants. There were three submittals. After reviewing the submittals and Airport Board Members participated in a qualification-based selection process it is the recommendation of the Airport Board to retain Olsson. Commissioner Pretz moved to accept advisory board recommendation to utilize Olsson as the airport consultant for a five-year term of 2022 to 2027, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, requested the Commissioners (sitting as Miami County Fire District 1) to consider authoring the purchase of new tires for multiple Miami County Fire District #1 owned vehicles. The DOT requires and NFPA recommends a 7-year replacement cycle. The tires range in age from 1997 – 2014 causing a safety issue. We need 45 pick-up truck tires, 38 large vehicle tires, and 12 trailer tires. Total cost is estimated at \$42,011.74, would like approval for \$45,000 in case of price changes or tire change orders due to availability. Commissioner Gallagher moved to authorize the purchase of new tires up to \$45,000, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, requested the Commissioners (sitting as Miami County Fire District 1) to consider approving the purchase of necessary equipment for Osawatomie Fire Department Chef's vehicle. Several bids were received, Multiplicity LLC's (Paola, KS) bid was all inclusive of all needed items for \$23,926.56. City of Osawatomie has agreed to assist up to \$10,000, their portion will be in the amount of \$8,726.56. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented with Miami County Fire District #1 spending \$23,926.56, \$15,200 to be actual amount spent out of the Fire District #1 Funds and City of Osawatomie spending \$8,726.56, Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous.

STAFF COMMENTS

Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, gave a handout with an update on COVID-19. As of this morning there are 2,926 cases of COVID-19, that is an increase of 48 since last Wednesday. Active cases are around 60, 2 new hospitalizations, 1 additional death in Miami County putting us at 43. Currently at 8 cases of the Delta Variant. The Delta Variant is a strain that developed in India and is much more communicable.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Chairman Roberts and Shane Krull addressed the schedule for the Expert witnesses to attend Study Sessions regarding the Petition for the City of Golden. Chairman Roberts stated it was requested that the County Administrator put together a schedule for the expert witnesses. Mr. Krull stated the expert witnesses will be attending the Study Sessions on Wednesdays starting with August 4th (currently no experts scheduled this day); August 11th with the Sheriff and County Counselor; August 18th will be Planning & Zoning and Road & Bridge; August 25th will be County Appraiser and Hillsdale Watershed (attendance for the Watershed has not been confirmed at this time); September 1st will be City of Edgerton and NorthPoint; and September 8th will be Jim Kaup. Currently no one with NorthPoint or the City of Edgerton has confirmed. After the meeting of September 8th it is presumed that MICO will transition into the deliberation portion of the Petition. Chairman Roberts stated for everyone to keep an eye out for any possible changes on the County website, the agendas come out on the Friday before a meeting on a Wednesday. Once the agenda posts on Friday for the upcoming meeting that is the final agenda. It was recommended by the County's attorney to have the City of Edgerton and the corporation of NorthPoint present their views of any future plans. These meetings will not include comments or questions from observers. This room only seats about 25 – 30 people comfortably and as this COVID continues we may have to separate chairs more and will be working with Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, and Miami County Health Department to minimize the risk. We will Live Stream the entire process, people can watch it from wherever they like, and it will be posted on our website as part of the permanent record.

Commissioner Pretz stated on July 27th at 1:00 p.m. there will be a meeting on the Bucyrus Wastewater Project meeting in the conference room of Code Services Department in the Administration Building. There may be more than 2 Commissioners present at this meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

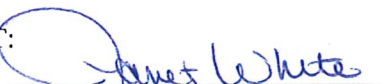
Chairman Roberts moved to have a Land Acquisition Exception Executive Session for 15 minutes to include the Commissioners; Shane Krull, County Administrator; Shelley Woodard, County Counselor; and Justin Eimers, County Appraiser. The subject is storage, and the meeting is to begin at 1:32. Commissioner Gallagher seconded, the vote was unanimous. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:47, no action taken.

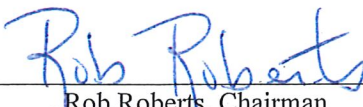
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

(Seal)

ATTEST:


Janet White, County Clerk


Rob Roberts, Chairman
