

**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 11, 2024. Those present were:

Tyler Vaughan, Chairman	Shane Krull, County Administrator
George Pretz, Pro-Term	Janet White, County Clerk
Bonnie "Rob" Roberts, Commissioner	Cari Foster, Operation Support Specialist
W. Jene Vickrey, Commissioner	

Absent: Keith Diediker

Visitors: Andy Christenson

CALL TO ORDER

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Andy Christenson, 4855 w 231st street, stated 9 years ago he bought pavement for the road in front of his house and the road should last 18-20 years. He had a civil engineer, a foreman and part owner of paving company come out and look at the road. They all came to the same conclusion of Mr. Christenson is going to lose the road due to the fishers in the surface. Commissioner Vickrey stated he looked at the road with Eric Sandberg, Road and Bridge Director. The road looks to be in good shape and does not think there is a chance Mr. Christenson will lose it. Commissioner Vickrey asked what does Mr. Christenson want the county to do to the road? Mr. Christenson stated he wants a letter from the county stating what the counties services are going to be, also stated there is no collaboration or communication with the county. Commissioner Vickrey asked if we chip and sealed the road last year? Mr. Christenson said too late. Shane Krull, County Administrator, stated we have had numerous communications with you. Mr. Sandberg has had several phone conversations with you. Mr. Krull stated he went out with Mr. Sandberg and looked at the road. He also stated what Mr. Christenson participated in was a dust control program. Mr. Krull stated we have communicated with you in writing that the county will maintain the road like we do all the other roads, and the counties Road and Bridge Director or Foreman would inspect the road on an annual basis to see if it needed maintenance. Mr. Vickrey stated the county will continue to do what we can to keep the road you paid for as viable as long as possible. Commissioner Pretz asked Mr. Krull if Mr. Christenson purchased a dust control product in the form of chip and seal or asphalt. Mr. Krull stated asphalt about 1250 feet in front of his home. Commissioner Pretz asked if Mr. Christenson has to maintain it or does the county. Mr. Krull stated, "the county has maintained it, but there has been a disagreement in terms of the level of effort of maintenance on the part of Mr. Christenson and Miami County."

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Approval of minutes of the county commission meeting on September 4, 2024
- Approval of AP payment vouchers and payroll
- Final Plat: Whispering Sage subdivision (21010-SUB)
- 24018-LS: Grant of Easement (WR North Ranch) (A24-09-042)

Commissioner Roberts seconded; the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Angie Eads, Director of community Corrections, requested the Commissioners to sign KDOC FY25 Adult Carryover Reimbursement Budget. It is a budget of \$256,087.32 that is accumulation of our supervision fees that is carried over from year to year. There is no intention to use the funds. Commissioner Pretz moved to

approve as presented, Commissioner Vickrey seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Angie Eads, Director of community Corrections, requested the Commissioners to sign KDOC FY25 Juvenile Carryover Reimbursement Budget. It is a budget of \$59,015.07 that is the same as the adult budget. There is no intention to use the funds. Commissioner Pretz stated these funds are not part of the Miami County tax dollar funds, this is Kansas Department of Correction funds. Ms. Eads clarified the budget money is not grant funds they are supervision fees. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Roberts seconded; the vote was unanimous.

STAFF COMMENTS

Eric Sandberg, Road and Bridge Director, stated the estimate he was asked to get this morning for the lack of chip and seal adhesion in some areas if we were to go back is about \$54,000. If we do go back, it is a 50/50% chance it will work we are at the end of chip and seal season due to weather concerns. The oil has been put down and the road has been sealed. The road looks horrible. Commissioner Roberts asked if we were to broom the loose chips up would that take care of a lot of the complaints? Mr. Sandberg stated we can do that; the concern is where the asphalt is showing where the rock did not stick. Chairman Vaughan stated he is a no on going back and trying to chip and seal the road again but would be in favor of trying to broom the chips up and recycle. Commissioner Roberts stated he would be in favor of brooming the chips up and storing them.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Vickrey comment on 9/11, we all remember where we were, it was a life changing event. Our nation seemed unified then and it would be wonderful if our nation could pull together instead of pulling apart. Remember the first responders who ran into the buildings and were heroic.

Commissioner Roberts stated "the conversation earlier at this meeting really brings to light a caution that this commission needs to exercise when a citizen comes and request to pay for their own road improvement how we articulate both in writing and in verbal what the real live expectations is for a piece of road that may get some improvement for a certain amount of time."

Commissioner Pretz commented on 9/11 that there are people still dying today from their injuries from that day and having everyone in our thoughts and prayers on this 23rd anniversary of 9/11. Commissioner Pretz also said thank you to the taxpayers. Commissioner Pretz also stated on September 19, 2024, SEKS (South East Kansas) officials meeting at Pittsburg Memorial Hall from 9am -2pm.

Chairman Vaughan stated he appreciated Commissioner Roberts and Commissioner Vickrey for attending the K68 meeting yesterday. There were a lot of residents there, good feedback and KDOT was well prepared.

Also commented on having an open house discussion on the quarter cent sales tax renewal ballot question. He would like to pin down a day for the meeting. Chairman Vaughan stated he "would really like the support of the commission to allow us to present the quarter cent sales tax, what it has accomplished in the past, what we are doing moving forward and have that recorded and streamed to the public, and the meeting be a 7pm to 9pm meeting" for the county residents to come and if they can't to have a 30 minute presentation allowing them to review it at their leisure. Commissioner Pretz stated we can decide on the date next week.

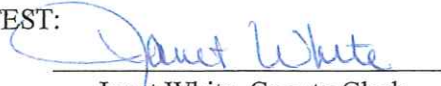
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.




Tyler Vaughan, Chairman

ATTEST:


Janet White, County Clerk