

**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 November 27, 2024. Those present were:

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

Visitors: Patrick Smith

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 November 20, 2024
- Approval of AP payment vouchers and payroll
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-Foote Land Company. (A24-11-050)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-Lois M. Stiles & William Vance Stiles Testamentary Trust. (A24-11-051)
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- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-MSH, LLC. (A24-11-053)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-MSH, LLC. (A24-11-054)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement, Temporary Construction Easement, and Deed of Dedication Purchase-G&L Foote Land, LLC. (A24-11-055)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-Greg and Laura Foote. (A24-11-056)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-Forty One Farms, LLC (A24-11-057)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-James and Emily Winchester. (A24-11-058)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase- Ridgemar Group, LLC. (A24-11-059)
- Sanitary Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Purchase-Charles Spinner and Lindy Kalinka. (A24-11-060)

AO-01- Approval of 11/18/2024, 2024 General Election Canvass Minutes.

Add Action Item number 5 for City of Fontana play equipment.

Commissioner Diediker seconded; the vote was unanimous.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS AND PROCLAMATION

Patrick Smith, Risk Manager for KCAMP, stated congratulations on meeting the requirements and criteria for the Risk Management award. Patrick Smith presented a Risk Management | KCAMP Check in the amount of \$9,367.33 to the BOCC. Commissioner Roberts complimented our Human Resources Director for

developing a Safety Committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

215 South Street Fence Viewing - Consider accepting the formal recommendation of Fisher Patterson Sayler & Smith regarding the fence viewing between property owners Raymond and Roberts. **-Tabled**

Commissioner Pretz moved to table for 2 weeks (December 11, 2025). Commissioner Diediker seconded; the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve amendment to Lease Agreement with Great Southern Bank for Cops for Tots. Shane Krull County Administrator stated this is a continuation of the lease agreement in place. The monthly amount is \$2000.00 or \$24,000.00 per year. Mr. Krull stated the sheriff said they have about \$25,000.00 set aside in the Cops for Tots budget for the lease space. Mr. Krull stated this is not funded by Miami County tax dollars, it is funded by proceeds from benevolent efforts on behalf of Cops for Tots. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented. Commissioner Roberts seconded; the vote was unanimous. (A24-1-061)

Laura Epp, Procurement, asked the Commission to approve the Quadient Leasing & Lineage mailing equipment/maintenance 60-month agreement under the NASPO contract. Ms. Epp stated it includes an inserter, allows us to participate in the why wait program which allows us to get new equipment when it is available (before the current lease is up in February), better efficiencies with the ink cartridges, a response time of 4 hours or less when we have an emergency because we are within 40 miles, and free training. Commissioner Roberts asked Ms. Epp to coordinate with the departments that use the equipment when we get the new equipment so there is no impact on mailings. Commissioner Vickrey moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Roberts seconded; the vote was unanimous. (A24-11-062)

Eric Sandberg, Road and Bridge Director, asked the Commission to approve the Bid Solicitation: 2024-XXX (RFB) Half-Ton, 4x4, Extended Cab trucks for Road & Bridge. Mr. Sandberg stated this bid solicitation is for 2 Half-Ton pickup trucks. Mr. Sandberg stated if approved we are replacing a 2011 Silverado with 220,000 miles and the other is a 2014 Ford F150 with 280,000 miles. Mr. Sandberg stated this solicitation request is approved through our 2024 budget. Commissioner Vickrey asked if the old trucks will be put on Purple Wave? Mr. Sandberg stated yes. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Diediker seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Eric Sandberg, Road and Bridge Director asked the Commission to approve the Bid Solicitation: 2024-XXX (RFB) One-Ton, 4x4, Regular Cab trucks for Road & Bridge. Mr. Sandberg stated this bid solicitation is for 2 One-Ton pickup trucks. Mr. Sandberg stated we are replacing a 1999 International single axle dump truck. Mr. Sandberg stated we are replacing the dump truck with 2 One-Ton trucks due to it being a cheaper option and gives us the ability to utilize these trucks more because we won't need a driver with a CDL license to operate them. Commissioner Pretz asked if Mr. Sandberg will still have a single axle dump truck in inventory? Mr. Sandberg stated, "I believe we will have one more." Commissioner Roberts moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Diediker seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Allocation of \$5,000.00 to the City of Fontana out of the Miami Counties Park Fund. Commissioner Diediker stated he has been working with Fontana's City Council and their Park and Recreation Board. Commissioner Diediker stated they came to me wanting to know if there was anything we could do to help them out." Commissioner Diediker stated they have had playground equipment donated from Parker School when they upgraded, along with some fund raisers and garage sales. Commissioner Diediker stated the City of Fontana does not have any play equipment for the kids since the grade school closed, and everything consolidated over 15 years ago. This is a greatly needed asset for the children and parents to have somewhere to go in the city. Commissioner Diediker stated the City of Fontana is going to combine this money with the fund raising they have done, and they have someone that is going to write them a matching fund grant.

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Commissioner Pretz asked Commissioner Diediker if the City of Fontana would provide receipts for what the \$5,000.00 is spent on? Commissioner Diediker stated he believes they would. Commissioner Vickrey stated he saw that the playground is being put together by volunteer help. Commissioner Roberts stated he is proud of the Commission for doing this. Commissioner Roberts stated this will fulfill some of the County's obligation for the use of the alcohol tax funds. Commissioner Diediker moved to the allocation of \$5,000.00 to the City of Fontana from the counties Park Fund, Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

APPLICATIONS

Janet White, County Clerk, stated there was a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Dollar General in Paola and Huskies Food Mart in Paola. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Roberts seconded; the vote was unanimous.

STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Pretz asked Mr. Sandberg what the plan was for the John Brown Lookout Park's maintenance plan, the grass is overgrown? Mr. Sandberg stated, "it did not get mowed this year because it is scheduled to get burnt beginning of next year." Commissioner Pretz stated people go out there and we want to maintain the steps over the fence. Chairman Vaughan asked if the counties burn schedule is every 3 years? Mr. Sandberg stated we mow once per year and burn once every 3-5 years. Mr. Krull stated the original plan was to reestablish the native prairie grasses.

Commissioner Pretz asked Mr. Sandberg with us going into winter what is the status of the gravel roads, is there enough rock on the roads? Mr. Sandberg stated overall we are in good shape. Mr. Sandberg stated the Road and Bridge Department is prepared for winter, I had our crews come in and make sure everything is ready.

Mr. Krull stated he found out through the Kansas Infrastructure hub that Miami County was awarded around a \$35,000.00 grant that fulfills a shortage on a \$700,000.00 asphalt project in 2025 at the Miami County Airport. Mr. Krull stated, "we were awarded over \$590,000.00 of bill money through the Federal Government via the FAA." Miami County dedicated the bill money for asphalt improvements on the west side with the taxi ways and 2 of the airport businesses. Out of the \$700,000.00 project the taxpayer's responsibility is about \$70,000.00. Mr. Krull stated that State of Kansas consultant did a comprehensive pavement index study across all Kansas airports and rated most of the airport asphalt surfaces in Miami County average to poor. Mr. Krull stated the FAA put the responsibility on Miami County to keep the facility in good working order. Mr. Krull stated we are fixing the asphalt surfaces in early 2025 with the asphalt sealcoat and crack sealing project as well as the asphalt cap overlay. The project is about \$700,000.00. Mr. Krull stated with both projects it is around \$1.4 million dollars of improvements the local tax burden being around \$140,000.000 is around \$.10 on the dollar.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Vickrey stated with Thanksgiving we have a lot to be thankful for, good roads, police, fire, low wait times when you call in. Commissioner Vickrey stated Miami County is doing well.

Commissioner Roberts stated he wanted to recognize Janet McRae, she has received a Citizens of Recognition Award from the Chamber of Paola and Chamber of Spring Hill.

Commissioner Roberts stated he attended the ECKAN (East Central Kansas Economic Opportunity Corporation) meeting last Tuesday and was asked to be the Vice Chairman for the 7 Counties. Commissioner Roberts stated he would reluctantly accept, so, if the new Commission wishes for me to continue to represent them in ECKAN, the Commission can nominate me and ECKAN will accept the Commission's nomination as their representation on the board.

Commissioner Roberts stated that Miami County needs a Transportation Plan. Commissioner Roberts stated

this morning we heard from the Planning Director that we will have the funds to do it and it will take several years to accomplish.

Commissioner Pretz stated Thank you to the taxpayers of Miami County and Happy Thanksgiving.

Chairman Vaughan stated 3 of the Commissioners will be at the KAC (Kansas Association of Counties) next week, so there will not be a BOCC Meeting next week.

Chairman Vaughan stated he would like to reappoint Kelly Broers to the Planning Commission. Chairman Vaughan stated she brings a lot to the Planning Commission and does a tremendous job. Commissioner Vaughan moved to reappoint Kelly Broers to continue her appointment for an additional term on the Planning Commission, Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Chairman Vaughan stated Happy Thanksgiving.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

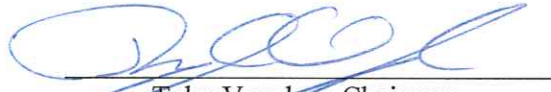
Commissioner Vaughan moved to have a Personnel Exception Executive Session to discuss a for 5 minutes beginning at 1:42 p.m. to include the Commissioners and County Administrator. Commissioner Vickrey seconded; the vote was unanimous. No action was taken at this time. Chairman Vaughan reconvened the regular meeting at 1:47 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

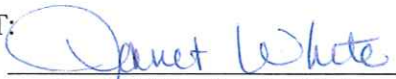
The meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

(Seal)




Tyler Vaughan, Chairman

ATTEST:


Janet White, County Clerk