

**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 August 11, 2021. Those present were:

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

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 Vaughan moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as follows:

- Approval of minutes of the County Commission meeting on August 4, 2021
- Approval of AP payment vouchers

Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Matt Oehlert, Road & Bridge Project Manager, Road & Bridge was awarded funding through High-Risk Rural Roads (HRRR) Program which is a grant through KDOT in the amount of \$350,000. Mr. Oehlert requested the Commissioners to enter into an agreement with KDOT for road widening on Old KC Road south of Paola to US169 Hwy, Miami County Project #21-05-ST (680)/KDOT Project #61 C-5123-01. This agreement will get the project on KDOT's schedule for the year 2023. Commissioner Pretz questioned what the new width will be. Mr. Oehlert stated the lanes are currently 10 ½ feet wide and plan to make the lanes 12 feet wide. This project will take around 4 months. Commissioner Pretz moved as presented; Commissioner Dixon seconded. Chairman Roberts questioned if it is for \$350,000. Mr. Oehlert stated the application was for \$350,000 and inside the agreement from KDOT on page 3 of 9 the agreement is represented at a 90/10 in the amount of \$733,590. Mr. Oehlert has put a call into KDOT for clarification. The vote was unanimous.

STAFF COMMENTS

Matt Oehlert, Road & Bridge Project Manager, gave an update on the following:

- Commissioner Gallagher asked for an update on a culvert on the Eagle Drive & Lone Star Project (# 2005-SB). Mr. Oehlert stated currently talking with residents that will be affected by this project. It may be necessary to get with the County Counselor if unable to work some things out.
- Commissioner Pretz questioned when the Creamery Bridge will begin. Mr. Oehlert stated no official start date has been given yet. Completion will be 30 days after start date.

Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, updated the Commissioners on COVID-19 stating Miami County has 3,118 total cases and increase of 77 since Wednesday August 4, 2021. Currently there are 80 plus active cases with an 8.97% positivity rate for the last 2 weeks per KDHE. There has been a total of 44 deaths in MICO as of 08/11/2021 an increase of 1 and 2 new hospitalizations.

Chairman Roberts polled the Commissioners asking if they wish to look at a mask mandate, the response from the Commissioners was, "not at this time".

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Pretz announced there will be an Election Worker Dinner on Tuesday August 17, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at the Town Square in Paola, KS. There might be 2 or more Commissioners present at this event.

Chairman Roberts stated Lake Region Solid Waste has a vacancy on the Board as an alternate. Solid Waste is recommending the consideration of appointing other members up to 5 can be appointed. They do not need to be district specific but needs to be in Miami County.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

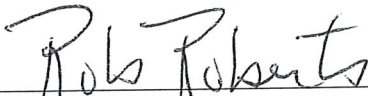
Chairman Roberts moved to have a Land Acquisition Exception Executive Session for 15 minutes beginning at 1:20 p.m., the subject is updates. In attendance will be the Commissioners; Shane Krull, County Administrator; and Shelley Woodard, County Counselor.

The regular meeting reconvened at 1:35, no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

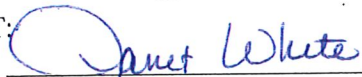
The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.





Rob Roberts, Chairman

ATTEST:



Janet White, County Clerk