

**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 April 23, 2025. Those present were:

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| Tyler Vaughan, Pro-Tem        | Shane Krull, County Administrator          |
| Keith Diediker, Commissioner  | Stacey Weaver, Deputy Clerk                |
| Paul Scruggs, Commissioner    | Cari Foster, Operation Support Specialist  |
| W. Jene Vickrey, Commissioner | Darcy Wilson, Operation Support Specialist |

**Absent:** George Pretz, Chairman

**Visitors:** Donald Ulery

**CALL TO ORDER**

Pro-Tem Vaughan called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. noting that Chairman Pretz was not present at today's meeting, because he was away at a conference. He then stated that they still had a quorum.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Donald Ulery 28140 Hospital Dr. He would like to get his road chipped and sealed. Commissioner Vickery stated that it was a busy road. Mr. Ulery stated that people use this road to avoid the roundabout. He wanted to come today to put "bid" in. Pro-Tem Vaughan stated that he appreciated him coming in and every year they go through road budgets and discuss maintenance and asphalt, and they appreciate him coming in and bringing it to their attention.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- Approval of minutes of the County Commission Meeting on April 16, 2025
- Approval of AP payment vouchers and payroll
- 25006-TP: Haven Event Venue Fireworks Display
- Add-On: Order #3 of Corrections
- Add-On: Order #4 of Corrections of Irregularities

Commissioner Vickery seconded; the vote was unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mathew Oehlert, Road and Bridge Engineering Director, Mr. Oehlert is requesting the Chairman to sign the Notice of Award for Superior Bowen Asphalt Company, LLC for \$3,481,694.35, project number 24-07-ST-CO (7020. Mr. Oehlert stated bids were opened April 15, 2025, at 9:00 am. The 2025, Asphalt Corrective Program. There were 2 competitive bids submitted. After lengthy review of comparison by line-item staff recommends. Superior Bowen Asphalt Company, LLC was the low bidder. Mr. Oehlert stated that if the commission had any additional questions, he would be pleased to answer them. By authorizing the certificate of award, he can begin negotiations with Superior Bowen with the remaining funding for the project. The commission had \$5,6000,000.00 budgeted, which gives you a surplus of about \$2,100,000.00. There are remaining costs, in inspection, Road & Bridge would like to retain approximately \$300,000.00 for additional crack seal, overlays, and possible sub-division repairs. Which would leave about \$1,700,000.00. The remainder of the funds Road and Bridge would prefer to go to an inch mil, instead of a 2-inch mil they would go to a 3-inch mil from Woodland to Metcalf and then Metcalf to Stateline. Commissioner Vickery asked to clarify that they would approve today and then make the decisions on the remaining as the numbers come in. Mr. Oehlert confirmed that he was just



asking for notice of award so he can begin getting bids on the other items needed. Commissioner Vickery moved to approve as presented Commissioner Diediker seconded; Commissioner Vickery stated that he appreciates Matt Oehlert's hard work and that he is doing a great job for the county. Commissioner Vaughan agreed and stated that it was good to see a local Miami County business win the opportunity. The motion passed 4-0, the vote was unanimous. (A25-04-019)

Mathew Oehlert, Road and Bridge Engineering Director requested the Commissioners authorize the re-solicitation of bids for this project. Mr. Oehlert stated this is in reference to project 22-02-CO (691). Bridge Guard Fence Replacement, #2025-02-FAS 270, bids were due on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., Miami County received no bids for the construction of this project. Mr. Oehlert will make a few changes in the bid approach. He would like to open up the dates to give qualified applicants the time to work the repairs within their schedule, he would like to add additional classifications to the bidding categories, and he would like to cold call. Mr. Oehlert asked for permission to re-solicit for project. Commissioner Diediker moved to approve re-solicitation of the FAS 270 Bridge Guard Fence Replacement of bids for bridge guard fence replacement, Commissioner Scruggs seconded; the motion passed 4-0 the vote was unanimous.

Request for RFP- New Brush Unit Louisburg Station. Commissioner Vaughan stated that this was discussed in study session and Mark Whalen, Emergency Management, will work with Fire District #1 on any damage or repairs. Commissioner Vaughan moved to table for an indefinite period, Commissioner Diediker seconded; motion passed 4-0 the vote was unanimous.

Eric Sandberg, Road and Bridge Director, requested the commission to Authorize Payment to Lake Region Solid Waste for the 2025 Annual Dues. Mr. Sandberg stated the Lake Region Solid Waste Authority requests payment of the 2025 annual dues in the amount of \$5,000. Mr. Sandberg explained what Lake Region does for the county. It is Comprised of seven surrounding counties, they assist in getting the county's solid waste management plan together. Every five years the county must submit a plan, so they assist with that. They have assisted with community engagement and grants. He is aware of Miami County alone in 2022 received over \$36,000 grants. Commissioner Vaughan asked if the dues were equal for each county and Mr. Sandberg said yes. Commissioner Scruggs asked how long we have been a member and Mr. Sandberg stated as long as our landfill has been open. Commissioner Diediker moved to approve the payment of the Lake Region Solid Waste Authority 2025 annual dues in the amount of \$5,000.00, Commissioner Vickery seconded; the motion passed 4-0 the vote was unanimous.

## STAFF COMMENTS

Shane Krull, County Administrator, stated that the airport is completing the seal coat project. The apron has received its asphalt overlay, and the process is in place just waiting for it to dry out from the rain so they can complete. Mr. Krull found out from Senator Moran's office that our request to receive federal funding to lengthen the runway will not be included in the current budget. The federal government gone through a series of resolutions to fund itself. So, we have already resubmitted for next year's budget and in doing that we are looking at a price increase from \$2,000,000.00 to \$2,135,000.00. Should we be successful and receive federal funding of \$1,935,000.00 then our local match will go from \$200,000.00 to \$215,000.00 to facilitate that aspect. Mr. Krull stated not sure what the success rate is on submitting for this funding, but it costs us nothing to submit. He appreciates Senator Moran's Staff for helping him through the process. Lastly, Mr. Krull had the opportunity to participate in the Community Liaison, group meeting with the National Guard Field Artillery Unit here in Paola. They invited the community and school district to

go through their mission, what they do and what they offer for the youth and post-secondary education.

### COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Vickrey, stated that he is thankful to have local contractors that are eager to work for our county, staying close to home and doing a great job for us and saving us money. Enhancing our airport is great for economy and future.

Commissioner Scruggs thanked Shane Krull, County Administrator, for taking on the airport, he stated that he learned a lot visiting the airport with him.

Commissioner Vaughan attended the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) meeting and discussed navigating through those grants that are on hold. He was also happy to represent Miami County at the Springhill State of the City held on 4/22/25.

### ADJOURNMENT

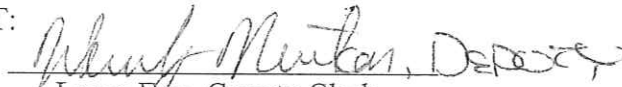
The meeting was adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

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Tyler Vaughan Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

  
Laura Epp, County Clerk