

**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 06, 2022. 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
Phil Dixon, Commissioner	Wendy Newton, Operation Specialist
George Pretz, Commissioner	

News: Doug Carder, Miami Republic News

Visitors: Frances Lewis, Jennifer McDaniel

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 March 16, 2022
- Approval of AP payment vouchers
- Add-On of Action Item #4. Consider approval for County Administrator to move forward with Health Care transition to Cigna

Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous.

PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/PROCLAMATION

Fair Housing Month Proclamation

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Commissioners consider the approval of an agreement with Toshiba to provide cloud-based DocuWare document management services Agreement. Miami County is currently in contract (A17-12-022) with Toshiba to provide DocuWare document management software (DMS) and services utilized by the human resources department. Commissioner Pretz moved to **table this item for one week for review by Toshiba's legal department.**, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous. (A22-03-12)

NEW BUSINESS

Lucas Mellinger, Financial Director, requested the Commissioners to consider the approval of a resolution waiving the generally accepted accounting practices (GAAP) requirements for the calendar and fiscal year 2022. Mr. Mellinger stated this was a routine resolution that is done every year as the County abides by the Kansas Cash Basis laws instead of the GAAP laws. Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous. (R22-04-021)

Matt Oehlert, Road & Bridge Project Manager, requested the Commissioners to authorize the Commission Chair to sign the Notice of Award for Superior Bowen Asphalt Company on Project 22-01-CO (690) for the amount of \$2,077,412.53. This is for the 2022 Asphalt Program or the Road Rehabilitation Program. Mr. Oehlert reminded the Commission that this does involve asphalt indexing; to where we have \$71 per ton and if prices increase or decrease, we are subject to the price in that month in which they start. Work is expected to begin between May 2, 2022, and September 6, 2022, for 30 working days. Chairman Roberts asked if this exceeds the budget. Mr. Oehlert said it did. The original budget was \$1,836,173.16 which is a difference of \$241,239.00. He stated we will be using cash carry overs, transfers, and federal fund exchange for a total of \$3,870,000.00. Which gives us a surplus of \$183,260.00. If there is a \$1 or \$2 difference per ton increase, we don't have a lot of margin for error; we would have to come back to the Commission and decide what to cut.

However, it could also go down per ton. Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Darryl White, Noxious Weed Director, requested the Commissioners to award the bid for RFB 2022-009 to PestMaster Services out of Wichita, Kansas. Noxious Weed Department recently opened bids for Noxious Weed Spraying on County Rights-of Ways for 2022. The estimated hours are 200 and the estimated acres are 700 acres that will be treated in 2022. PestMaster Services is the low bidder. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Vaughan requested the amendment on the paperwork submitted from \$23,901 to \$28,901 for the cost with chemical. Ms. Woodard, County Counselor, pointed out that the contract has not been written and is right now just a per hour basis in which the county determines. Commissioner Pretz clarified his motion stating he moves to accept PestMaster Services and their unit bid prices not to exceed \$31,000. Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Shane Krull, County Administrator, requested the Commissioners to approve moving forward with the transition from Humana to Cigna for healthcare. Mr. Krull stated that the county had engaged the services of Lockton on our behalf to go into the marketplace to compare to what was anticipated to be a significant price increase. They negotiated a 2% lower price increase along with \$47,000 put back into 3 different categories. The categories would be transition costs, health improvement fund, and a slush fund. Commissioner Vaughan stated that Cigna will be almost 3% under our rates for the same plan design that we currently have. Commissioner Vaughan moved to approve staff to move in the direction of Cigna, finalize the commitments that they have made today so that we could get the contract in front of us with a start date of 7/1/2022. Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Vaughan stated he met with the Mayor of Spring Hill and the County Oversight Officer over all Fire Coordinating in Johnson County which was a positive conversation. Commissioner Vaughan would encourage Mark Whelan, Emergency Management Coordinator, to work with his counterpart in Johnson County on some assets and evaluations as we go through bidding processes to see if it would be a good fit for Miami County.

Commissioner Gallagher moved to appoint Nancy Heidrick to be the Miami Township Clerk. Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Dixon asked that the Commissioners entertain having a study session before they have the budget hearings this year. The other Commissioners thought this would be a good idea.

Commissioner Pretz stated that 2 or more Commissioners could be at the Kansas County Commission Conference in Salina at Hilton Garden Inn on April 26th, 27th and 28th.

Chairman Roberts stated that Johnson County requested a letter of support for the RAISE grant to make improvements to the I-35 interchange and the Gardner Road improvements. Commissioner Vaughan said that he has hesitation in showing support of that interchange all the way down to the Miami County line could throw an assumption that we are wanting to play with that corridor. So, I wanted to voice that concern. Commissioner Gallagher stated they are not doing this to encourage truck traffic in Miami County. After some discussion the Commissioners agreed to send the letter in support of the RAISE grant but also sending a second letter to Gardner, Edgerton, and Johnson County expressing our major problem / concerns with the amount of truck traffic finding itself in Miami County. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the letter of support for the RAISE grant; Commissioner Vaughan seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Chairman Roberts stated that the KAC (Kansas Association of Counties) had an election earlier this year to authorize the addition of the Kansas H. R. departments to become a full member. The election didn't yield sufficient quorum, so they are doing it by mail ballot. He stated he would vote yes again and mail it back on behalf of the Commission.

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Chairman Roberts stated Miami County is privileged to have Green Country Soil as a good business out at the airport. However, Chairman Roberts concern is that they are under a Conditional Use Permit and the Commissioners are getting complaints that the trucks are being staged a mile and a half from their door. This would be on 319th Street between Moonlight and Lookout Road. The staging area is on County roads and is blocking driveways and blocking access to roads. He stated that he would like the County Administrator and the Road & Bridge Department to bring some options back to the County Commission to alleviate the truck traffic and what is and is not supposed to happen with the staging of the trucks. Commissioner Pretz said he have heard concerns on their lighting and would like that addressed also.

Chairman Roberts stated that 2 years ago this Commission approved a Bridge replacement at the Sale Barn and would like that project to move forward. County Counselor, Shelley Woodard, stated that there was 1 landowner that did not cooperate with the temporary land easements. She stated that they are moving forward with the process of condemnation. She said that she would be coming to the Commission for approval to start the court proceedings. Mr. Oehlert, Road & Bridge Project Manager, stated that we were ready June of last year, the funding is still there and that the bridge is not structurally deficient.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Pretz moved to have a Personnel Exception Executive Session to discuss nonelected personnel matter for 15 minutes beginning at 1:50 pm to include the Commissioners, County Administrator, County Counselor, and County Clerk. Commissioner Vaughan seconded; the vote was unanimous. Chairman Roberts reconvened the regular meeting at 2:05 pm. No action was taken.

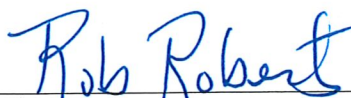
Commissioner Vaughan moved to extend the Personnel Exception Executive Session to discuss nonelected personnel matter for 10 minutes beginning at 2:07 pm to include the Commissioners, County Administrator, County Counselor and County Clerk. Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous. Chairman Roberts reconvened the regular meeting at 2:17. No action was taken.

Commissioner Vaughan moved to extend the Land Acquisition Exception Executive Session to discuss a possible land acquisition for 15 minutes beginning at 2:18 pm to include the Commissioners, County Administrator, and County Counselor. Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous. Chairman Roberts reconvened the regular meeting at 2:30 pm. No action was taken.

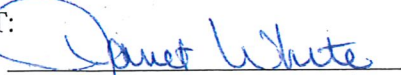
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.




Rob Roberts, Chairman

ATTEST:


Janet White, County Clerk