

**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 10, 2022. Those present were:

Rob Roberts, Chairman	Shane Krull, County Administrator
Phil Dixon, Commissioner	Shelley Woodard, County Counselor
George Pretz, Commissioner	Janet White, County Clerk
	Jessi King, Operations Support Assistant

Absent: Danny Gallagher, Commissioner - attended via telephone, Tyler Vaughan

News: Doug Carder, Miami Republic News, Jennifer McDaniel, Miami County Communications

Visitors: Jarad Falk, Dayton Murty

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Roberts 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 August 3, 2022
- Approval of AP payment vouchers
- Final Plat: Spalding Enterprises
- Employee Pay Adjustment

Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chairman Roberts asked for a motion to table the Motorola Post Warranty Maintenance Agreement for 14 days. Commissioner Pretz moved to table for two weeks, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Jarad Fulk and Dayton Murty, Charter Communications, introduced the Commissioners to their company, Charter Communications, and requested a letter of support for a broadband grant as well as \$10,000 of matching funds per project that they awarded. Mr. Murty explained that the company is currently looking at five different projects in the northeast part of the county, with 2,456 locations that are currently unserved. Commissioner Dixon moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Eric Sandberg, Road & Bridge Director, requested the Commissioners to authorize a notice of award to Bryan Ohlmeier Construction Company for Phase 1 Culvert Replacement Project in the amount of \$825,750.50. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Shane Krull, County Administrator, proposed a Contract with Strukel Electric to install runway 3/21 lighting, PAPIs, and REILs at the Miami County Airport. He explained that with a grant, the FAA will pay 90 percent with federal funds, with a 10 percent local match. Mr. Krull elaborated that the construction would require the runway to be closed for approximately 20 days. An additional benefit of using Strukel Electric is the fact that they installed the current lighting and are therefore familiar with the equipment. Commissioner Pretz moved to accept the bid as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was

unanimous.

Chairman Roberts presented a Resolution to administer 2022 retention wages. He explained that Miami County had been awarded ARPA funds and had the authority to enhance the wages of their employees. The commissioners discussed that the best way to allocate those funds was to authorize a \$2,500 wage enhancement for full-time employees, with a prorated amount for time of service and part-time employees. Commissioner Dixon moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Chairman Roberts opened the public hearing for the 2023 operating budget for Miami County at 1:24 p.m.

Chairman Roberts closed the public hearing at 1:25.

Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the revenue neutral 2023 operating budget for Miami County as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Chairman Roberts opened the public hearing for the 2023 operating budget for Fire District #2 at 1:28 p.m.

Mark Whelan, Emergency Services Coordinator, explained that Fire District #2 covers the north central portion of Miami County, approximately 75 square miles, south of Spring Hill and the Hillsdale area.

Chairman Roberts closed the public hearing at 1:29.

Chairman Roberts announced that the County Commissioners will now be sitting as the Fire District Fire Board.

Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve 2023 Fire District #2 Budget as presented, Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Mark Whelan, Emergency Services Coordinator, with Jim Francis, Johnson County Fire Services Administrator, presented a proposed 5-year agreement that continues to have Johnson County Fire District #1 and Overland Park Fire Department provide services using existing facilities and apparatus through 2027. Chairman Roberts complimented Mr. Whelan and Mr. Francis on their diligence with working on a fair and reasonable agreement. Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

STAFF COMMENTS

Shane Krull, County Administrator, thanked the Commissioners for allotting the retention bonuses for employees.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

The Commissioners were proud to recognize the respective Employees of The Month for their hard work and service to Miami County.

January – Elizabeth Staas – RN, Health Department

February – Jackie Davey – RN, Sheriff's Office

March – Cruz Gillespie – Dispatcher, Sheriff's Office

April – Michelle Minden – Deputy Jailer, Sheriff's Office

May – Laura Epp – Office Coordinator – Administration

June – Clint Maynard – Sergeant, Jail

And Director of the Quarter – Dave Delp, Codes Director

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

(Seal)



Rob Roberts, Chairman

ATTEST:



Janet White, County Clerk

