

**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 17, 2022. Those present were:

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

**Absent:** Tyler Vaughan, Pro-Tem

**Visitors:** Kari Bradley, Pat Burton, Doug Pfaltzgraff, Mike Scanlon, Kirk Wright, Shelagh Wright, Nicole Jacobson, Ron Orlando, Tom Salmi-Bydalek, Stan Adams

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Roberts called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mike Scanlon, Osawatome City Manager, introduced Kirk and Sheala Wright of Wright Way Homes, who would be working with the City of Osawatome to build homes in Osawatome. After doing a housing needs analysis that will be given to the Secretary of Commerce, they are working with all of the taxing jurisdictions to ensure a plan that is acceptable to them. He also explained that the Raise Grant has given the biggest allocation of funds, \$24.8 million, to the improve the Flint Hills Trail, including the portion including Osawatome to Rantoul. At the same time, MARC has approved a \$80,000 grant to improve parts of downtown Osawatome to connect it to the Flint Hills Trail. The Sunflower Foundation has also given the City of Osawatome \$53,000 to bring six cities together to do more Flint Hills Trails improvements. He then thanked Janet McRae for her work on all of the projects with his staff. Mr. Scanlon also thanked Janet White, County Clerk, for the work put in regarding taxing notifications.

Doug Phalzgraff, 22245 W. 271<sup>st</sup>, Paola, stated that he had a complaint regarding a request for culvert work from July 17, 2021. He has water coming over the road, impacting his home, and wanted to know if there was anything that could be done to expedite that work before the next big rain. Shane Krull, County Administrator, stated that he would work with Mr. Phalzgraff and the Road & Bridget Department to figure out a solution.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- Approval of minutes of the county commission meeting on August 10, 2022
- Approval of AP payment vouchers and payroll

Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Nicole Jacobson, Ron Orlando, and Tom Salmi-Dydalek, Comcast, presented a proposal for a broadband grant. They have already entered into an agreement with the city of Spring Hill and are hoping to expand to the rest of Miami County. They requested a letter of support for a broadband grant as well as \$20,000 for the holistic implementation of services. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Shane Krull, County Administrator, presented a bid proposal for the Hillsdale EMS Facility for street, water, and sewer improvements from Schwab-Eaton. The \$23,840 bid would allow the coordination of the infrastructure of the facility. Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Chairman Roberts introduced a bid proposal for the Hillsdale EMS Facility Civil Site Plans from Schwab-

Eaton for \$19,780. The county owns approximately 20 acres and would like an infrastructure plan in place to make the best use of the land. Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

Janet McRae, Economic Development Director, informed the Commissioners that the public comment period is open for the Mokan Dial applications until 5:00 p.m. on Friday.

Frank Burrow, EMS Director, stated that last week interviews had been conducted for the Deputy Chief position. Matt Gamblin has been named Deputy Chief.

Shane Krull, County Administrator, thanked Janet White, County Clerk, as well as her staff and election workers for their hard work and patience throughout this challenging and unique election season.

#### COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Chairman Roberts announced that the K-68 Highway expansion has been approved and Miami County will be hosting a groundbreaking ceremony on August 25<sup>th</sup> at noon at Louisburg Ford. There will be several representatives there to speak and light refreshments will be served. He invited all present to attend and to thank those involved in the whole process.

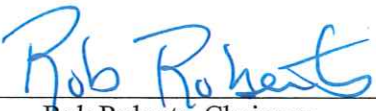
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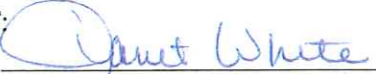
Commissioner Dixon moved to have an Attorney Client Privilege Executive Session to discuss potential pending litigation for 15 minutes beginning at 2:02 to include the Commissioners, County Administrator, and County Counselor. Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous. No action was taken at this time. Chairman Roberts reconvened the regular meeting at 2:17.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

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Rob Roberts, Chairman

ATTEST:   
Janet White, County Clerk

