

**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 October 5, 2022. Those present were:

Rob Roberts, Chairman	Shane Krull, County Administrator
Tyler Vaughan, Pro-Tem	Janet White, County Clerk
Danny Gallagher, Commissioner	Jessi King, Operation Support Assistant
Phil Dixon, Commissioner	
George Pretz, Commissioner	

Absent: Shelley Woodard, County Counselor

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 September 28, 2022
- Approval of AP payment vouchers
- Resolution authorizing the voiding and reconciling of outstanding checks that have been retained on the books for two years. (R22-10-048)

Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Holly Ray, Human Resources Director, requested the Commissioners to approve a change of position in the Health Department from LPN to Operations Support Specialist. She explained that this change would take the position from a grade 6 to a grade 5, with no licensing required. This will not be creating a new position within the department, only changing the title. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Lucas Mellinger, Financial Director, presented a request to revise the Business Travel Policy to change the reimbursement for gratuity to read after tax instead of pre-tax. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Dixon seconded; the vote was unanimous.

Matt Kelly, Undersheriff, requested the Commissioners to approve a rate of pay adjustment increase of 6.29% effective September 29 for Garrett Hall. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve, Commissioner Dixon seconded. Undersheriff Kelly then requested that the adjustment be applied retroactively to the date that they were originally given. Commissioner Vaughan expressed his concern that once this change is made for one person, there may be others, and the long-term consequences of that need to be considered. Holly Ray, Human Resources Director, state that she would like more time to do the research needed to determine how many other adjustments needed to be made, stating that she would come to present her findings to the Commissioners in two weeks. Chairman Roberts clarified that the motion on the table was for the pay adjustment going forward, the vote passed 4-1 with Commissioner Vaughan voting no.

Matt Kelly, Undersheriff, presented a Resolution amending the staffing of the Miami County Sheriff's Office. He explained that Sheriff's Office currently has two part time deputy positions that would better serve the community as a single full-time deputy in the Patrol Division. Undersheriff Kelly stated that the funding needed for this change will come from the deferment of a scheduled replacement of a patrol vehicle in 2023. The Commissioners discussed with Undersheriff Kelly the Linn County Justice Center and the farm-ins of federal prisoners as well as some from Wyandotte County in that facility. Commissioner Vaughan moved to approve as presented, Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous. (R22-10-049)

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STAFF COMMENTS

Holly Ray, Human Resources Director, clarified with the Commissioners that there would not be a meeting in two weeks, due to the KAC Conference on October 19th and would plan on moving her report to the October 26th meeting.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chairman Roberts asked Tricia Lee, Treasurer to explain her plans moving forward with the operating hours of her department. Ms. Lee stated that she is hoping to extend the hours of the Treasurer's Office from 7:30 to 4:30, for a trial period of 30 days before considering moving to those hours permanently. Chairman Roberts stated that he had been at a meeting with Judge Harth last Friday to discuss plans on using the Commissioners Chambers for a courtroom on Tuesdays and Thursdays. He stated that this solution would be temporary but could be as long term as 2 years.

Commissioner Pretz stated that more than 2 commissioners could be in attendance at the Republican Statewide Bus Tour on Sunday at Timbercreek in Louisburg at 12:30. He added that more than 2 commissioners could be at the Employee Appreciation Events on Thursday and Friday.

Commissioner Dixon commented on the merger between KU Med and Olathe Health, stating that it seemed like a positive move for everyone involved.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:21 p.m.

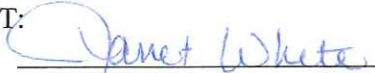
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Rob Roberts, Chairman

ATTEST:



Janet White, County Clerk