

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF MIAMI COUNTY, KANSAS**

The Board of Miami County Commissioners met in a Zoom session, in the Miami County Administration Building, Paola, Kansas, on June 10th, 2020. Those present were:

Rob Roberts, Chairman	Shane Krull, County Administrator
Danny Gallagher, Pro-Tem	David Heger, County Counselor
George Pretz, Commissioner	Janet White, County Clerk
Tyler Vaughan, Commissioner	Casey d'Augereau, Executive Secretary
Phil Dixon, Commissioner	

Members of the Press, Via Phone: Doug Carder, Republic News

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Roberts called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m., was delayed starting the meeting due to technical difficulties.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Received an email on June 9th, 2020 from Adam Ward of Paola, KS and Janet White, County Clerk read it to the Commissioners. Mr. Ward would like to have a work study session to discuss having beer at the Miami County Fair for sale and consumption. He stated he has been working on this for the past 15 months and would like to get it resolved. Chairman Roberts stated that Commissioner Dixon and himself spoke with Mr. Ward two separate times June 9th, 2020 and offered to let him zoom into the meeting to discuss it on June 10th, 2020. Mr. Ward was willing to let his letter be read at the Commission meeting to support his concern. Chairman Roberts stated this needs to be addressed by the State of Kansas as well as the County of Miami and asked the County Counselor to submit a written response to Mr. Ward and to copy the Commissioners on the letter.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Minutes of the County Commission meeting of June 3rd, 2020
- Approval of payment vouchers and payroll

Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Roberts presented on behalf of Human Resources, asking the Commissioners to consider authorizing the Chairman to execute a contract with The Arnold Group proposal for the salary survey and compensation plan for Miami County in the amount of \$20,270 one-time fee. Chairman Roberts stated in the morning study session the annual support of \$3,040 was discussed and it will not be considered at this time. Commissioner Dixon questioned how this will be paid? Shane Krull, County Administrator, stated the money is in the general fund for professional services to cover this. Mr. Krull stated that it is typical to pay half up front and the second half at time of completion. Commissioner Dixon moved to approve Chairman Roberts to execute the contract in the amount of

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\$20,270, Commissioner Gallagher seconded. Commissioner Tyler is concerned that The Arnold Group was not in line with including the benefits in the salary structure and asked that Holly Ray, Human Resource Director, assure the survey is completed correctly. Commissioner Pretz questioned if employees under the Sixth Judicial District Court and Community Correction Services are included in this survey since Miami County doesn't have control of their wages. Mr. Krull stated there are only about fifteen employees and it is a very small percentage to the cost involved. The vote was unanimous. (C20-06-002)

Rita McKoon, Miami County Health Department Director, gave an update based on the state of Kansas' most recent information. As of June 8th, 2020 there have been 10,812 confirmed cases and 240 deaths. Miami County has 3 new cases, all from the same household, 2 were confirmed through the lab and 1 is presumed confirmed and all parties that have been in close contact with the household have been contacted and instructed on what to do. There have been a total of 1032 test submitted in Miami County.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

JR McMahan, Road and Bridge Director, took a minute to update on the following items:

- Free week started June 8th, 2020 at the transfer station, hard hat and vest are required. The recycling area no hard hat or vest is required.
- Household Hazardous Waste Facility was opened today to the public, new hours will be 08:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Wednesdays
- Dust control was completed in the northeast corner yesterday and plan to have entire dust control project wrapped up by the end of June

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Pretz stated he received a copy of a letter written by Chairman Rob Roberts to Secretary Julie Lorenz and would like to make a motion to have Chairman Rob Roberts sign and discuss the letter as needed. Chairman Roberts said the letter is addressed to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation encouraging them to continue the expansion work on Highway K-68. A copy of the letter will be sent to each of our United States House and Senate members and Kansas House and Senate members and plan to send letters routinely to keep their focus on the project. Commissioner Dixon seconded, the vote was unanimous.


ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 p.m.




 Rob Roberts, Chairman

ATTEST:


 Janet White, County Clerk