

**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 Commissioners' Meeting Room, Miami County Administration Building, Paola, Kansas, on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Those present were:

Rob Roberts, Chairman	Tyler Vaughan, Commissioner
Danny Gallagher, Pro-Tem	David Heger, County Counselor
Phil Dixon, Commissioner	Tiffany Taylor, Deputy Clerk
George Pretz, Commissioner	Casey d'Augereau, Executive Secretary

Visitors: Herb Tressler, Teresa Tressler

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- Approve the Minutes of the County Commission meeting of February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- Approval of payment vouchers and payroll
- Write off outstanding 2017 checks retained on the Treasurer's books. (R20-03-003)

**Add-on:**

- Orders of Correction of Irregularities

Commissioner Pretz seconded; the vote was unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Steve Lyman, Financial Director, requested the Commissioners to approve the use of available 2020 budget to replace 25 year old extrication equipment for the Paola Fire Department. The new equipment is faster, improved design and more powerful. Fire Chief Martin received three (3) bids for the equipment prior to the meeting and submitted them to Mr. Lyman. It is Mr. Lyman and Fire Chief Martin's recommendation to accept the bid from Okie Extrication. The other bidders were Danko Emergency Equipment for \$36,605.31 and Conrad Fire Equipment, Inc. for \$43,852.05. Commissioner Dixon moved to authorize the Paola Fire Department to purchase the extrication equipment from Okie Extrication in the amount of \$35,735.00. Commissioner Gallagher seconded, the vote was unanimous.

Matt Oehlert, Road and Bridge Planner, requested the Commissioners to approve the Chairman to sign the agreement between Miami County and BG Consultants, Inc. for 2020 Road Rehab Project No. 20-02-CO (671). Agreement includes Survey and Design Services for preparation of construction plans. Design fee for this work is a lump sum fee of \$12,500.00. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the agreement between Miami County and BG Consultants. Commissioner Vaughan seconded. Chairman thanked Mr. Oehlert for all his efforts in saving the county money with all the research he does on these projects. The vote was unanimous. (A20-03-001)

Wayne Minckley, Under Sheriff, requested the Commissioners to approve the Chairman to sign the agreement between Miami County and IDEMIA for the purchase of new fingerprinting equipment in the amount of \$40,135.00. Commissioner Vaughan asked if this equipment has the potential to do more than just fingerprinting. Under Sheriff Minckley said this equipment will allow them to process background checks on teachers, nurses and others. The charge for these background checks is \$45.00 per person. Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve the purchase of the new fingerprinting equipment. Commissioner Vaughan seconded, the vote was unanimous. (A20-03-002)

Wayne Minckley, requested the Commissioners to approve the Sheriff to hire a part-time, non-benefit, eligible LPN to work in the jail. The pay rate to be offered is \$21.00 per hour to be a flat rate regardless of experience. Chairman Roberts stated this will not actually be an additional position, but will be a reclassification of a part-time Jailer position. The position will now be a part-time LPN position. Under Sheriff Minckley said that is correct and this position will give the needed help to the current part-time nurse. Commissioner Vaughan moved to approve to reclassify the position from a part-time jailer position to a part-time nurse position. Commissioner Dixon seconded, the vote was unanimous.

JR McMahon, Road and Bridge Director, requested the Commissioners to approve and allow Chairman to sign the agreement to allow the Request to Exchange Federal Funds. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve funds available for reimbursement items in the amount of \$247,340.94. Commissioner Gallagher seconded, the vote was unanimous. (A20-03-003)

Rita McKoon, Miami County Health Director, asked the Commissioners to consider approving the 2020-2021 annual Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) grant application. Total funds requested \$137,350.53. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the Chairman to sign the KDHE grant application. Commissioner Dixon seconded, the vote was unanimous.

David Heger, Miami County Counselor, asked the Commissioners to consider repealing the current Chapter 5 of the Miami County Code and adopting the updated regulations to constitute an amended Chapter 5 of the Miami County Code. Mr. Heger said these codes will deal with inherently dangerous animals and reptiles such as canidae, felidae or ursidae families and any live member of the class reptilian. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the resolution to amend Chapter 5 regarding dangerous animals. Commissioner Vaughan seconded, the vote was unanimous. (R20-03-001)

David Heger, asked the Commissioners to consider authorizing Commission Chair to sign the lease agreement with Marais des Cygnes Extension District #16 to lease three (3) rooms for storage of voting machines and related equipment. Commissioner Dixon moved to approve the lease agreement with Marais des Cygnes Extension District # 16. Commissioner Gallagher seconded. Chairman Roberts asked the County Clerk to look into other options in case the lease is not renewed by the landlord. The vote was unanimous. (A20-03-004)

Chairman Roberts, asked the Commissioners to consider rescheduling the start time of the March 11, 2020 Board of County Commission meeting to 10:00 a.m. There will be two (2) Commissioners that will not be able to physically be present. At least one of the two will be able to call in on the speaker and make their presence known. Commissioner Gallagher moved to adjust the start time to 10:00 a.m. for the meeting to be held on March 11, 2020. Commissioner Dixon seconded, the vote was unanimous. (R20-03-002)

**STAFF COMMENTS**

JR McMahan, Road and Bridge Director, stated they will be working on Saturdays starting in March. They will be concentrating on Magnesium Chloride. They will be sending out letters to residents about the dust control and if they would like to have dust control the residents will need to pay for the materials. The residents opting for dust control need to pay by April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The application of the dust control materials will be applied around May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

Rita McKoon, RN for Miami County Health Department, shared that there have been no cases of the coronavirus in the State of Kansas and Miami County has a plan ready if the virus shows up in Miami County. There is also a travel ban in affect, anyone coming back from traveling overseas will be quarantined for 14 days. So far the virus has not had an effect on kids, but has on 50 year olds and older.

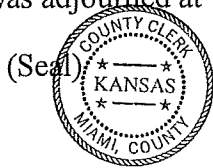
**COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioner Pretz stated there will be a Town Square meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:30 and there will possibly be two (2) or more Commissioners present.

Commissioner Pretz stated there might be a Commissioners' Study Session to be held on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 after the Commissioners meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45p.m.



*Rob Roberts*  
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Rob Roberts, Chairman

ATTEST: *Janet White*  
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Janet White, County Clerk