# 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 September 11, 2019. Those present were:

Phil Dixon, Chairman Rob Roberts, Pro Tem George Pretz, Commissioner Tyler Vaughan, Commissioner Danny Gallagher, Commissioner Shane Krull, County Administrator David Heger, County Counselor Stacey Weaver, Deputy County Clerk

Visitors: Carissa Robertson, Cindy Hebberd, Renee Slinkard and Greg Vahrenberg

#### CALL TO ORDER

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

#### CITIZEN COMMENT

Carrissa Robertson, Louisburg, thanked the commission for giving her the opportunity to represent the concerned residents of Miami County who could not be here. She expressed her concern about Dancefestopia which took place in southern Miami County over the past weekend. She believes it has been an issue for the last 2 years and feels it is more of a nuisance for those who live in the county. She pleaded with the commission to not issue the permit again.

Cindy Hebberd, Louisburg, did not know this last weekend was when Dancefestopia was being held until 11:30 Thursday and Friday night when she was woken by the noise. She also stated that she had talked to people that the noise was crossing state lines. Ms. Hebberd also read a statement from Beth Deason stating that it kept her grandchildren awake till early Saturday and Sunday morning. The dogs barked all night and wanted inside. She called the sheriff and the coordinator but nothing changed. Ms. Deason truly hopes this event does not happen again. Ms. Hebberd said that she also called the sheriff's office with no results. She is concerned with livestock and how it will affect the upcoming hunting season. Ms. Hebberd does not understand why we need to have the urban type events in our area. She thinks there needs to be notification and meetings on when they are going to have events. We do not need a mini Woodstock. She's also not impressed that people are coming from New York. She thinks they need to consider citizens first. Ms. Hebberd does not know the answer or what the solution would be but there needs to be something.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- Minutes of the County Commission meeting of September 4, 2019
- Vouchers

Commissioner Gallagher seconded; the vote was unanimous.

#### PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Renee Slinkard, of the Daughters of the American Revolution, requested the board to consider the approval of a proclamation designating the week of September 17-23, 2019 as Constitution Week. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the proclamation and Commissioner Vaughan seconded; the vote was unanimous.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Holly Ray, Director of Human Recourses presented the request of reclassification for Office Associate to Operations Support Assistant related to the County Clerk Office. Commissioner Gallagher moved to deny the reclassification and Commissioner Vaughan seconded. The vote failed 2-3 with Commissioner Pretz, Commissioner Roberts and Commissioner Dixon voting against the denial. Commissioner Pretz moved to approve the reclassification and Commissioner Roberts seconded; the vote passed 3-2 with Commissioner Gallagher and Commissioner Vaughan voting against the reclassification.

## **APPLICATIONS**

## REPORTS FROM STAFF, COMMITTEES, OFFICERS

J.R. McMahon, Miami County Road & Bridge Director, said gave a brief overview on the Kansas Department of Transportation Cost Share program for FY 2020. The project needs to be a million dollars. There are 2 possible locations for this. One would be Metcalf north of US Highway 68 all the way to county line. The 2<sup>nd</sup> would be in the City of Spring Hill at 223<sup>rd</sup> and Webster in which the City of Spring Hill would need to apply. Mr. McMahon also talked about the upcoming work to the roads. There will be conference call regarding the Luke Bryan Concert with Kansas Highway Patrol at 12:30 tomorrow to put a traffic map together.

Shane Krull, County Administrator, spoke about September 11th. He wanted to acknowledge that our life styles have changed. Approximately 2,900 lives were lost because of terrorism. It has changed the way we travel, security, building safety and how we conduct our lives on a daily basis. Also to acknowledge that 5,000 service members have perished since that time on our behalf. He would like us to show our gratitude for the sacrifice for those who have and continue to do so.

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# **COMMISSON COMMENTS**

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

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Phil Dixon, Chairman

ATTEST:

Janet White, County Clerk