The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session at 8:30am on Monday, March 11, 2024. Chairman Tom Claussen and members Mike Cooper and Jim Marshall were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the March 4, 2024 meeting were approved as written on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Brian Streit, Maintenance Director presented a bid from Great Plains Landscape for the contract to fertilize, apply weed control, iron and winter maintenance to the courthouse lawn (3 applications) for the amount of \$1470.00 for the 35,000sq ft lawn. Jim Marshall made a motion to approve bid Mike Cooper seconded. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Missy McGinnis, EMS Director, was present with the information from American AG & Auto to replace the motor in an Ambulance. Jasper 6.4 Duramax diesel for \$16,067.00. Missy McGinnis requested a 15 minute Executive Session. Jim Marshall made a motion, Mike Cooper seconded. Unanimous vote. They entered Executive Session KSA 75-4318 non-elected personal at 8:56 am and returned back to order at 9:11am no decisions made.

Chairman Tom Claussen brought up the, Ending LAVTR and More HB 2815, Local Ad Valorem Tax Reduction. Local Governments gave up the ability to impose certain local taxes in exchange for the state to collect those dollars and return a share of them. The total dollars owed but not paid to cities and counties since 2001 is more than \$3.5 billion. Chairman Tom Claussen would like to take this information to the next Multi County meeting and make everyone aware of this and discuss options to possibly get some of that money refunded.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Marshall seconded by Mike Cooper. Unanimous vote. Meeting Adjourned at 9:52 am

_ Tom Claussen, Chairman

_____ATTEST: Heather Weston, Mitchell County Clerk