

**May 8, 2023**

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, May 8, 2023. Chairman Jim Marshall and members Tom Claussen and Mike Cooper were in attendance.

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

The minutes of the May 1, 2023 meeting were approved as written on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A neighborhood revitalization was approved for Roy Scoggan for a 20x27 residential garage for \$33,161 on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Kelly Hawk, EMS, was present to discuss the county vacation policy. Mike Cooper requested a 15-minute executive session for non-elected personnel per KSA 75-4318 with the three commissioners and Kelly Hawk. The executive session was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The session started at 8:35 a.m. and ended at 8:50 a.m. with no decisions being made in executive session.

Kelly Hawk is going from full-time to part-time and will be losing his county benefits. The county policy is to pay a maximum of 240 hours of vacation upon leaving your position. Hawk has worked for the county for 14 years and stated that because of COVID and staffing issues he has not been able to use his vacation. He currently has 566 hours. On motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Tom Claussen is was approved to pay 566 hours of vacation because he did not have the opportunity to use it. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

EMS Director Eric Hamel and Missy McGinnis, EMS, were present and requested a 20-minute executive session for non-elected personnel. The session was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper per KSA 75-4318. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The session started at 9:05 a.m. and ended at 9:25 a.m. when 10 more minutes was requested on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session started at 9:25 a.m. and ended at 9:35 a.m. when 5 more minutes was requested on motion by Mike Cooper and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session started at 9:35 a.m. and ended at 9:40 a.m. with no decisions being made in executive session.

The three commissioners and Heather Weston, Mitchell County Clerk, will attend an employee meeting at the EMS building at 1:00 p.m. on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m. on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

\_\_\_\_\_ Jim Marshall, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ ATTEST: Heather Weston, Mitchell County Clerk