

December 12, 2022

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session on Monday, December 12, 2022 with Chairman Mike Cooper and members Jim Marshall and Tom Claussen in attendance.

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

The minutes of the December 5, 2022 meeting were approved as written on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mary Claussen was reappointed to the North Central Kansas Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging Board of Directors on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The commission met with Register of Deeds Tami Eck for a 10-minute executive session for non-elected personnel per KSA 75-4318. Session was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 8:37 and ended at 8:47 when it was extended 10-minutes on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Session began at 8:47 and ended 8:57 with no decisions made in executive session.

The commission met with EMS Director Eric Hamel for a 10-minute executive session for non-elected personnel per KSA 75-4318. Session was granted on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Tom Claussen. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 9:00 and ended at 9:10 with no decisions made in executive session. The commission approved Mr. Hamel's request to apply for a KRAFT Grant to purchase a new auto-pulse in the amount of \$18,000.

The commission met with Yvonne Melton for a 22-minute executive session for non-elected personnel per KSA 75-4318. Session was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 9:18 and ended at 9:30 when it was extended 10-minutes on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 9:30 and ended at 9:40 with no decisions made in executive session. The commission discussed Mrs. Melton having her office open over the noon hour. Commissioner Marshall commented that he had several complaints about taxpayers coming in during lunch hours and finding the office closed.

The commission met with Appraiser Melinda Latham for a 15-minute executive session for non-elected personnel per KSA 75-4318. Session was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 9:45 and ended at 10:00 with no decisions made in executive session.

The commission met with Clint Offutt, GIS Coordinator, for a 10-minute executive session for non-elected personnel per KSA 75-4318. Session was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 10:00 and ended at 10:10 when it was extended 5-minutes on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 10:10 and ended at 10:15 with no decisions made in executive session.

County Clerk Chris Treaster requested a 10-minute executive session for non-elected personnel per KSA 75-4318 which was granted on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 10:15 and ended at 10:25 with no decisions made in executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

_____ Mike Cooper, Chairman

_____ ATTEST: Chris Treaster, Mitchell County Clerk

The commission, Chris Treaster, and Heather Weston attended the Multi-County meeting held in Osborne at noon. Several commissioners who were replaced after the November election were recognized for their years of service. Mike Cooper discussed the employee evaluation and raises and how they were being done in person with department heads. Phil Murrow gave an update on KDHE regulations that will change after the first of the year. The meeting ended at 1:00.