

April 15, 2024  
MINUTES

The Muskogee Board of County Commissioners met in session at 8:15 a.m. Members present were: Chairman, Ken Doke; Vice-Chairman, Keith Hyslop; Member Kenny Payne; and Muskogee County Clerk, Polly Irving.

**1:**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved to Open the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Payne and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Doke.

**2:**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved all Purchase Orders. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Payne and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Doke.

**3:**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved all Monthly reports. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Payne and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Doke.

**4:**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Payne, approved Regular meeting minutes for April 8, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Doke.

**5:**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Payne, approved a Juvenile Detention Contract with Western Plains Youth & Family Services, Inc in Woodward, Oklahoma at the rate of \$68 per day per juvenile. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Doke.

**6:**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Payne, approved an Amendment No. 1 To the By-Laws of Muskogee County Fire Department Tax Board which states as follows: Article 3 – One (1) member will be elected by each of the eighteen (18) Fire Departments to represent their respective Fire Department on the Fire Department Tax Board. Each of the (18) Fire Departments may elect one (1) alternate member to represent their respective Fire Department on the on the Fire Department Tax Board in the absence of the principal member. Said alternative member shall be approved in the same manner as the principal member; Article 4, Section A – Any duly nominated and Commissioner approved principal member or alternative member of the Fire Department Tax Board may serve as an Executive Officer. PROVIDED, the positions of Secretary and Treasurer need not be filled by a commissioner approved member of the Fire Department Tax Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Doke.

**7:**

**No action** was taken at this time after a presentation from Muskogee Police Chief, Johnny Teehee regarding juvenile services for serious crimes. Chief Teehee is concerned with the new regulations to release a juvenile to their parent(s) instead of detaining them at a facility after a serious crime has been committed therefore putting the community at risk for further crimes to be committed. It was suggested by BOCC for Chief Teehee to visit with legislation to revise and implement new statutes regarding juvenile crime services.

**8:**

**No action** was necessary after a Proclamation was read by Commissioner Doke which declared the of April 14<sup>th</sup> through April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to be National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Muskogee County in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep out County and citizens safe. A plaque was presented to the dispatchers of the Muskogee County Emergency 911 Center as a sign of appreciation from BOCC.

**9:**

**No action** was taken at this time after a presentation from the Muskogee Chamber of Commerce concerning Professional Services.

**10:**

**No action** was taken at this time to declare April 2024 as Fair Housing Month.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Payne and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Doke.