

December 15, 2025  
REGULAR MEETING  
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**

Commissioner Hyslop made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved to Open the meeting at 8:36 a.m. The motion was unanimous.

**2: Motion**

Commissioner Hyslop made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved the Purchase Orders. The motion was unanimous.

**3: Motion**

Commissioner Hyslop made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved the Monthly reports. The motion was unanimous.

**4: Motion**

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved Regular meeting minutes for December 8, 2025. The motion was unanimous.

**5: Motion**

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved a Platt Map Checklist for Inside the City Limits. The motion was unanimous.

**6: Motion**

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved a Platt Map Checklist for Outside the City Limits. The motion was unanimous.

**7: Motion**

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved an Estimate from Sydaptic, Inc. to replace 20 intercoms in the security control system located at the county jail for an estimated cost of \$76,000 utilizing the Use Tax Fund. Commissioner Payne explains: *"We as commissioners are required to tour the jail at least once a year, and this year on the day that we chose, I had something come up and couldn't go when Mr. Hyslop and Doke went, so I went at a later date, and ACCO has hired a new jail specialist, law enforcement specialist, to try to cut down on our jail lawsuits across the state of Oklahoma. So I asked him to come, I asked Andy and Greg if they would mind that, and they welcomed it. And honestly, I hate to be negative, but we got a better report than I thought we would from the guy. We actually checked out real well on his tour. One thing that we do have, there are some monitors in the main control room that shows when cell doors are open, closed, it's red, yellow, green light, and they mean different things. And we have a few of them that don't register correctly sometimes, so it might look like a door is locked when it isn't, or vice versa, and his strongest recommendation of the whole thing was to have that fixed. So I put Greg on a quest to figure out how much it was going to cost us, and he called two or three different places, got some bids. Long story short, Sydaptic does a lot of work like this in jails, not just in Oklahoma, but definitely in Oklahoma. \$75,000 will be the cost, not just to fix the two or three, but to kind of revamp the system. It will also involve some work on microphones, where you can hear the conversations. We have that now, but they're so spaced out, if you had to take it to a courtroom or something to prove something, you couldn't. These will make them more concentrated, where you can actually hear the conversations going on, whether it be between people that are being held in the jail or staff. And the cost is \$75,000. This is on a federal bid list. There is some question as to whether it's not on the state bid list, but it is on the federal. In the past, auditors have allowed us to use the federal bid list. We're going to go ahead and pass this, this morning, tentatively, in the amount of \$75,000 to Sydaptic, if we do pass it. And if we will be calling the auditor, our*

*council and our county clerk will be calling the auditor today to make sure that this is acceptable to do it the way we're doing it. If it is not, then we'll have to go out for a bid, which is about a 20-day process, and I want to get this done as soon as we can. That's why we're going to tentatively pass it. And if it goes through, and our auditor is good with it, then we'll move forward immediately. If not, then it'll take us about another month. But with all that explanation, I'll move for approval, and if there's any discussion that anyone has about it.”* (K. Hyslop) *Taken out of use tax?* (K. Payne) *I don't know.* (K. Doke) *I'm going to have to sit here thinking about that. Do we have any money in our capital outlay for general government?* (K. Payne) *I'm sure we have some. I just don't know exactly how much.* (M. Lee) *Do we have any capital outlay for general government?* (K. Doke) *Yeah, we've got all the capital outlays.* (K. Payne) *Oh, we sure do.* (K. Doke) *How's general government hanging out?* (M. Lee) *That would empty it.* (K. Doke) *It would empty it? We're about to do it.* (K. Doke) *To last until June?* (P. Irving) *We have county maintenance M&O. We have \$106,753.* (K. Doke) *It's got to be use tax.* (K. Payne) *I would rather use it differently. Not that.* (K. Doke) *Well, capital outlay, I think we did the budget. We intended to use that one-time money for capital projects. It's got to be use tax.* (K. Payne) *So, I will continue in my motion saying that we will take the \$75,000 out of use tax fund.”* The motion was unanimous.

#### **8: Motion**

Commissioner Hyslop made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a 2026 Information Sheet for Fort Gibson Volunteer Fire Dept. The motion was unanimous.

#### **9: Motion**

Commissioner Hyslop made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a 2026 Information Sheet for Warner Volunteer Fire Dept. The motion was unanimous.

#### **10: Motion**

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved a 2026 Information Sheet for Brushy Mountain Volunteer Fire Dept. The motion was unanimous.

#### **11: Motion**

Commissioner Hyslop made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved a Resolution for Disposing of Equipment from the County Clerk's Office consisting of (2) eighteen slot storage cabinets to be junked. The motion was unanimous.

#### **12: Motion**

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved and awarded Bid 2025-039 – 6-Months Bid to everyone on the 6-month bid list subject to price, quality, service, location, and availability. The motion was unanimous.

#### **13: Motion**

Commissioner Payne made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop, approved a Letter of Support for Global Machine Company to participate in the Business Expansion Incentive Program. Commissioner Payne explains: *“Richard Bennett owns a global machine company and has owned companies in Muskogee for 40 years, probably. He actually is in a little spot in the county, District 3, as it were, right across from what used to be Curts Mall on Shawnee Street, not Shawnee Avenue. The little industrial area down there is where Global Machine is, and that's county property. I wrote him a letter of recommendation that I would like for it to go through the meeting here if the other commissioners agree with doing it.”* The motion was unanimous.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

None

#### **ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Hyslop and seconded by Commissioner Payne, approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 a.m. The motion was unanimous.