

May 15, 2023

MINUTES

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

**Vote 1:** Motion was made by Commissioner Hyslop, to Open the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doke and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Vote 2:** Motion was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved all Purchase Orders. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doke and announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Vote 3:** Motion was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved all Monthly reports. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doke and announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Vote 4:** Motion was made by Commissioner Doke, approved Regular meeting Minutes for 5/8/2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Vote 5:** Motion was made by Commissioner Doke, approved to Open Public Hearing to determine all protects and comments to the conversion and organization of the Oktaha Area Firefighters Association Inc into the Oktaha Area County Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne. With nothing further discussed another motion was made by Commissioner Doke approving to Close the Public Hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop to then announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Vote 6:** Motion was made by Commissioner Doke, approved an Order of conversion and organization of the Oktaha Area Firefighters Association Inc into the Oktaha Area County Fire Department which will be a Title 19 County Fire Department under the provisions of BOCC. For the conversion to become effective, the Oktaha Area Firefighters Association Inc must convey and transfer all real and personal property belonging to the same to the Board of County Commissioners, which the BOCC will permit the new Oktaha Area County Fire Department of Muskogee County to use for firefighting purposes. It was discussed if the Oktaha American Legion would still be able to utilize the building that was leased to them by Oktaha Area County Firefighters Association Inc. and it was determined by BOCC that once all real property is received from Oktaha Area Firefighters Association Inc then BOCC can take proper action for American Legion to continue the use of the building. It was further discussed that a 5 Member Board be assigned as follows: Jodi Hammons, Justin Duke, Sheila Whittle, Ricky Allen and Sally Walker. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Agenda Item 7:** No action was necessary for the presentation made from Tyler Evans, Vice-Chairman of the 911 Authority, of proposed fees increase for FY24.

**Vote 8:** Motion was made by Commissioner Doke, approved a Renewal Agreement between Smith's Detection and the Sheriff's Office for maintenance and servicing of the Courthouse front entrance X-Ray machine. BOCC approves subject to the modification of the Agreement to reflect dates ending 6/30/2023 and auto renew in the new Fiscal year on 7/1/2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Vote 9:** Motion was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved to Enter into Executive Session to discuss a pending litigation between AAE Holdings, Inc vs Muskogee County Health Dept. Case #23 CVS 3730. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doke and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**Vote 10:** Motion was made by Commissioner Hyslop, approved to Exit Executive Session and resume Regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doke and was announced unanimously. Another motion was made by Commissioner Doke approving the settlement amount with AAE Holdings, Inc. in the amount of \$46,000.

**BIDS:**

**Bid #65 – 55’ Crosstown Beam Bridge in Dist. 1**

All bids were closed as of 9:30 a.m.

(1) Compliant bid was submitted from RRY Services, LLC in the amount of \$228,800.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Doke, approved to accept all compliant bids and table Bid #65 – 55’ Crosstown Beam Bridge in Dist. 1 for further review. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously by Commissioner Payne.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**RECESS:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Payne, approved to recess the meeting until 9 a.m. 5/16/2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hyslop and was announced unanimously.

Commissioners reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. on 5/16/2023 at the 911 Center and received updated reports from Vice-Chairman of the 911 Authority, Tyler Evans, of proposed fees increase for FY24. No action was taken at this time.

**ADJOURN:**

Commissioners adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:00 p.m.