

RESOLUTION NO. 883

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE, KANSAS
ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE USDA RURAL
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TO ASSIST IN THE PURCHASE
OF 800 MHZ PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, radios play a key role in delivering public safety services; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2018 Miami County Commissioners declared a state of emergency because the VHF radio system had deteriorated to a point that it was beginning to risk the health of Miami County residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Osawatome both depends on other agencies and provides other agencies with backup services; and

WHEREAS, without being on the same radio system makes it difficult if not impossible to coordinate services with outside agencies and with the transfer of the City's dispatching operations to the County it's become even more critical to upgrade the public safety radios system; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager worked with the City's Finance Director to complete all forms necessary to either secure loans or grants for the Radio System upgrade, and was awarded a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) in the amount of \$46,000 to put toward the radio system; and

WHEREAS, certain conditions must be met before the funds become available for use by the City of Osawatome as stipulated in the Letter of Conditions received by the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE, KANSAS:

SECTION ONE: That City Staff meet all conditions as set forth by USDA Rural Development in the Letter of Conditions and finalize the purchase of 800mHz radios for public safety.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Osawatome, Kansas this 27th day of May 2021, a majority being in favor thereof.

APPROVED AND SIGNED by the Mayor.

L. Mark Govea, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Tammy Seamands, City Clerk