

BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA
January 31, 2022

**Meetings held on the 1st floor in the Commission Meeting Room of the County Building,
122 W. Marlin**

9:00 a.m. The following items will be discussed as time permits -

- A. Approval of Agenda**
- B. Approval of Minutes**
- C. Approval of Checks and Claims & Payroll**
- D. Approval of Adds and Abates**
- E. Personnel**
- F. Addendum to 2022 Indigent Defense Agreement**
- G. General Correspondence**

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:10 a.m. Brian Bina, County Counselor -

Executive Session for Attorney/Client Privilege

9:40 a.m. Under Sheriff Skyler Christians -

Non-elected Personnel

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

6:30 p.m. Annual County Soil Conservation Meeting, 4H Building

All Present

February 1, 2022

8:00 a.m. Economic Development Meeting at Community Building

All Present

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda for January 31, 2022 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. All voted aye.

At 9:00 a.m. during Public Input, Sheriff Jerry Montagne updated Commissioners on jail counts and arrests as well as department activities.

Also, during Public Input, Clinton Sides, McPherson, updated Commissioners on the status of a petition for a recall election regarding (3) current USD 418 School Board members. Mr. Sides also expressed his concerns regarding the procedures used to determine the validity of petition signatures. He encouraged the Commissioners to request a review by the County Counselor. No Commission discussion or action took place.

At 9:10 Brian Bina, County Counselor, joined the meeting and requested thirty (30) minutes of executive session, including Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, for attorney/client privilege and possible pending litigation on two (2) matters. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to go into executive session as requested. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session. In open session, Counselor Bina requested to proceed with a tax foreclosure sale for McPherson County and begin working with the Treasurer's office to process delinquent properties. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. All voted aye.

At 9:45 a.m., Under Sheriff Skyler Christians joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to end the introductory period for Blake Nichols, Deputy, effective February 6, 2022. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. All voted aye.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for January 28, 2022 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. All voted aye. Kim Romero, County Appraiser, was present to clarify Commission questions regarding specific adds and abates.

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes for January 24, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. All voted aye.

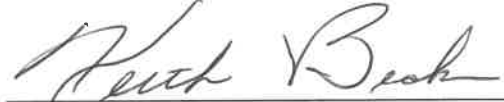
On behalf of the County Attorney, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve budget transfers and Chairman signature on wage increase PCNs for Amanda Voth, Chief Deputy County Attorney, and Amanda Faber, Assistant County Attorney, effective January 24, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. All voted aye.

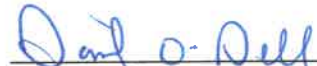
Commissioner Kueser made a motion to sign the Addendum to the 2022 Indigent Defense Agreement effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell updated Commissioners on the KAC Local County Government Day, and progress toward addressing damages at the McPherson Airport.

At 10:30 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and reconvene at 6:30 p.m. to attend the Annual Soil Conservation Meeting at the 4H Building. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.** Following the meeting, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess until Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. to attend an Economic Development Meeting at the McPherson Community Building. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.** At 10:00 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

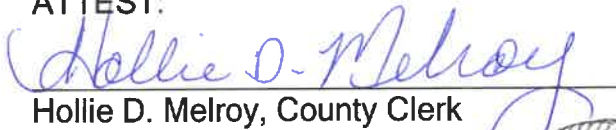
Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht


Keith Becker, Chairman


David O'Dell, Vice Chairman


Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk

