

**BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA**

**for
September 29, 2025**

**Commission Meetings are being held at the Public Works Dept. Meeting Room
1115 W. Avenue A, McPherson, KS during the renovation project at the County Building**

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. Adds & Abates
- E. Personnel
- F. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:05 a.m. Sheriff Montagne -

Non-elected Personnel

9:10 a.m. Emily Yates, Director of Emergency Management/Communications -

Non-elected Personnel

9:15 a.m. David Bohnenblust, Director of Public Works & Mike Evans, Fleet Maintenance Foreman -

- A. Discussion of price quotes for pipe projects
- B. Request to replace tires on the 2018 Caterpillar Loader (#82)

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9:00 a.m. - Regular Meeting
All Present

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Becker opened the meeting. Two (2) items were added to the agenda for September 29, 2025: County Treasurer, Non-elected Personnel; and a Commission Work Session to discuss storm damage insurance claims regarding County property. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne joined the meeting and updated Commissioners on recent arrests, current jail counts, and department activities. He also read a letter of appreciation from a County citizen regarding the dedication and professionalism of McPherson County deputies, including Deputy Rahe who had allowed her them the opportunity to experience daily duties and procedures of a deputy during a regular shift.

Sheriff Montagne then requested approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Austin Spencer as a Deputy Sheriff (17B), effective September 29, 2025, to fill a vacancy. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** Sheriff Montagne introduced Deputy Spencer who was also present at the meeting.

Les Sperling, Lindsborg resident, also joined Public Input to express his appreciation for the assistance and cooperation he received from Public Works office staff recently with a specific issue regarding a non-county designated bridge.

Jon Kinsey, County Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator, joined Public Input with a brief update and discussion regarding information he learned from attending the recent floodplain meeting at the McPherson City Offices.

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes for September 22, 2025, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m., Emily Yates, Director of Emergency management/Communications, joined the meeting to request approval of a PCN for the promotion of Jacob Quested to Shift Supervisor (15F), effective September 28, 2025. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m., David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with three items:

- A. A review and update by Mr. Bohnenblust on the progress of current department road/bridge projects.
- B. A request by Kevin Erickson, Superintendent, to purchase pipe for 2025-2026. Following a review of bids, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve purchases from McPherson Concrete for a total amount not to exceed \$19,176.88, and from J&J Drainage for a total amount not to exceed \$35,421.92 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**
- C. A request by Mike Evans, Fleet Maintenance Foreman, to purchase a new set of tires for the 2018 Caterpillar Loader (#82). Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the purchase, including installation, from Smoky Valley Tire for an amount not to exceed \$ 6,300.00 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:26 a.m., Cassie Chick, County Treasurer, joined the meeting to request approval of a PCN to hire Kylie Simmons as an MVL Clerk (8B), effective October 6, 2025 to fill a vacancy. 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 checks and claims, one voided and reissued check, and accounts payable for September 29, 2025, and payroll for pay period ending September 27, 2025, as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve two (2) abates for September 26, 2025, as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:35 a.m., Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to recess for a five (5) minute break, then to reconvene for a Commission work session. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** At 11:10 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

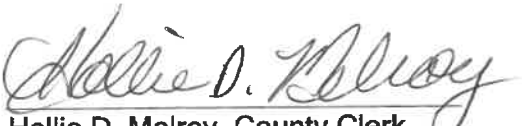
Minutes Prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht


Keith Becker, Chairman


David O'Dell, Vice Chairman


Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk