

**BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA**

for
January 5, 2026

**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. Election of County Commission Officers
- G. Resolution - Designating the Official County Newspaper
- H. Resolution - Designating Depositories for McPherson County Funds
- I. CMB Notice to Township Board, Rolling Acres Golf Club
- J. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:05 a.m. Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator -

- A. Approval of Subdivision - Final Plat for 8th Avenue Acres, Case SUBD 25-0107
- B. Resolution for Special Use - Cell Tower, Case SU 25-0103
- C. Department Updates & Statistics

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9:00 a.m. - Regular Commission Meeting

All Present

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Becker opened the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the agenda for January 5, 2026, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioners elected officers for 2026. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for Chairman Becker to continue as Commission Chairman. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** Commissioner Kueser made a motion for Vice Chairman O'Dell to continue as Commission Vice Chairman. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne joined the meeting and presented updates on recent arrests, current jail counts, and department activities.

Also, during Public Input, David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director, presented department updates and reported on current, on-going, and upcoming department projects.

Chairman Becker and Commissioner Kueser both announced that they will seek re-election to the County Commission Board in their respective districts in 2026.

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

At 9:10 a.m., Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator joined the meeting with three (3) items:

- A. Approval of Subdivision Case #25-0107. Chairman Becker began the public hearing and called Case #25-0107, a request to approve and sign the final plat for the 8th Avenue Acres Subdivision. The Chairman verified that no protest petition had been received, that no Commission members intended to disqualify themselves from the discussion and voting on the case due to conflicts of interest. No Commissioners received exparte communication regarding the case. All Commissioners confirmed they had received copies of the Board of Planning Final Report and unapproved minutes from the Planning Board regular meeting which was held December 8, 2025. Mr. Kinsey verified that the notice for this hearing was published, and that the applicant and real property owners of record received notification at least 20 days prior to this hearing date. Chairman Becker then called on the Administrator to provide background information and a review of the case. Mr. Kinsey reported that Josh Mills, who is the applicant and landowner, is requesting approval of the final plat for property on the West side of 8th Avenue, North of Chisholm Road, approximately 12.88 acres, located in the A-1 Agricultural District. The case was unanimously approved by the Planning Board at their December 8, 2025 regular meeting. Chairman Becker asked if Commissioners or the public had any further questions for Mr. Kinsey, then closed the public portion of the hearing, reviewed options for Commission Board action, and asked for a motion. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Board to approve Subdivision Case #25-0107, and to sign the final plat as requested. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. Approval of Special Use Case #2025-0103. Chairman Becker began the public hearing and called Case #25-0103, a request by Skyward Land Services, applicant. and Patrick Irwin, agent, to approve and sign a proposed resolution for the development of a telecommunications facility, including a 350-foot tower in the A-2 Agricultural Transition District at an unaddressed property located Northeast of the intersection of K-4 and 6th Avenue. The Chairman verified that no protest petition had been received, and that no Commission members intended to disqualify themselves from the discussion and voting on the case due to conflicts of interest. No Commissioners received

exparte communication regarding the case. All Commissioners confirmed they had received copies of the Board of Planning Final Report and unapproved minutes from the Planning Board's regular meeting held December 8, 2025. Mr. Irwin was present, and confirmed that he felt he had received a fair and impartial hearing. Mr. Kinsey verified that the notice for this hearing was published, and that the applicant and real property owners of record received notification at least 20 days prior to this hearing date. Chairman Becker then called on the Administrator to provide a background report and a review of the case. Mr. Kinsey presented information including the findings and factors as listed. The case was unanimously approved by the Planning Board at their December 8, 2025, regular meeting. Mr. Irwin addressed Commissioners and clarified specifics of the request and the case. Chairman Becker asked Commissioners and members of the public if they had any further comments or questions then closed the public portion of the hearing, reviewed options for Commission Board action, and asked for a motion. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Board to approve Case SU #2025-0103, and to sign Resolution #2026-01 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

- C. Mr. Kinsey presented a department update and review of statistics for the month of December 2025 and annual statistics for 2025. Information was included regarding the type and number of cases, their valuations, total fees, and permits issued.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve checks and claims, and witness checks for January 5, 2026, and payroll for pay period ending January 3, 2026, as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates as presented, excluding page 38, Frazer Property, and page 41, Zimmer Property, which will be tabled until further information is obtained. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage Notice to Township for Rolling Acres Golf Club as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2026-02, designating the official County Newspaper as the McPherson Sentinel. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

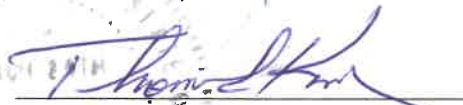
Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2026-03, designating depositories for McPherson County Funds. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

At 10:03 a.m., Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

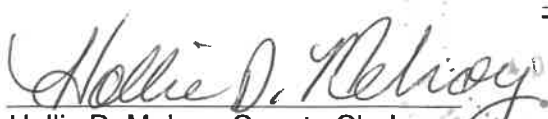
Minutes Prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht


Keith Becker, Chairman


David O'Dell, Vice Chairman


Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk