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BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA
for
May 11, 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 - Administration/Finance Non-elected Personnel
F. CMB License for Signature
G. McPherson Township Board Appointment
H. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

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

Department Updates

9:10 a.m. McPherson Airport - 2027 Budget Presentation

9:30 a.m. Kasi Morales, Executive Director MIDC -

Quarterly Report & Appropriations Request

9:50 a.m. McPherson County Attorney - 2027 Budget Presentation

10:20 a.m. Sunny Milleson, Director of Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections -

A. Signature Requests on 3rd Quarter Adjustments for Adult and Juvenile Budgets
B. Non-elected Personnel

10:25 a.m. Julia Jensen, Billing Clerk & Shalei Shea, Director, McPherson County Health Dept. -

A. Uncollectible Debt for Quarter #1
B. Department Updates

10:30 a.m. David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director -

A. Approval of change order for the previously approved Plow/Dump Truck bid
B. Approval to upgrade the fuel system wiring
C. Acceptance of TEAP Study - Elizabeth Hopp, Project Engineer
D. Non-elected Personnel
E. Non-elected Personnel
F. Non-elected Personnel
G. Project Updates

10:50 a.m. Jeff Butler, IT Coordinator -

A. Courthouse & Law Enforcement Center server hardware and support extension
B. Replacement scanner for Mapping

*11:00 a.m. Jon Kinsey - Discussion regarding a Conditional Use Permit; discussion on lot splits

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
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9:00 a.m. - Regular Commission Meeting
Chairman Becker & Commissioner Kueser - Present
Commissioner O'Dell - Absent
May 14, 2026
8:00 a.m. - McPherson County Building Walk-through
All Present

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner O'Dell was absent. Three (3) items for Planning/Zoning/Environment (PZE) were added to the end of the agenda for May 11, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:02 a.m., Sheriff Montagne shared updates on recent arrests, current jail counts, and department activities. He also introduced Deputy Marvin Roque, who recently began employment with the Sheriff's department.

At 9:03 a.m. Jon Kinsey, PZE Administrator, joined the meeting to present department statistics including a case cost summary report for the month of April 2026.

At 9:06 a.m., Cynthia Peterson, McPherson Airport Manager, joined the meeting to present the McPherson Airport 2027 proposed budget.

At 9:22 a.m., Kasi Morales, Executive Director of MIDC, joined the meeting to present the third quarter Director's report. Ms. Morales reviewed statistics and information in the areas of labor force, employment rates, residences of McPherson County workers, labor market information, job availability numbers, and average worker wages. She also updated Commissioners on current and up-coming programs for retention and expansion incentives.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve accounts payable and witness checks for May 11, 2026 and payroll for pay period ending May 9, 2026 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:47 a.m., Jennifer Wyatt, County Attorney presented the 2027 County Attorney's proposed budget.

At 9:51 a.m., Sunny Milleson, Director of Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

A. A request for signatures on KDOC Juvenile and Adult Services 3rd quarter Budget Adjustment Reports. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the signature pages as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
B. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) for the job re-evaluation of Stephanie Helming, Partial Part-time Juvenile Intake Worker/Assistant, to hourly pay. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:55 a.m., Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, joined the meeting to request approval of a PCN to end the introductory period for Quinlan Rageth, Payroll/Benefits (19B) effective April 26, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign a CMB Retailer's License for Canton Market in Canton Township, Canton, KS, effective through December 31, 2026. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve a request from the McPherson Township Board to appoint Brenda Becker as their Board Treasurer to fill the vacant remaining term previously held by Mary Ann Musselwhite who passed away after 35 years of service on the Board. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the appointment as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:58 a.m., Jeff Butler, IT Coordinator, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

A. A request for a hardware and support extensions for the Courthouse and the Law Enforcement Center. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the extensions from Eagle Technologies for a total combined amount not to exceed $40,720.51 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
B. A request to purchase a replacement scanner for the Mapping department. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the purchase of the Contex IQ 36" MFP Bundle from Salina Blue, LLC for an amount not to exceed $6,295.00 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:11 a.m., Julia Jensen, Billing Clerk at the McPherson County Health Department joined the meeting to request approval to write off client debt in the amount of $414.99 for the first quarter of 2026. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Shalei Shea, Health Department Director updated Commissioners on current and upcoming department activities.

At 10:18 a.m., David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with seven (7) items:

A. A request by Mike Evans, Fleet Maintenance Foreman, to approve a change order for a previously approved purchase of a new plow/dump truck from MHC Kenworth. It was determined that the transmission originally quoted would be insufficient for the needs of the department. The change order reflects the installation of an Allison 4500 transmission resulting in an added cost of $8,590.00. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
B. A request by Mr. Evans to approve an upgrade to the fuel system's wiring which would involve running new electrical lines and conduit to the fuel island to prevent failure of the system. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the project from Hoidale Co. at a cost not to exceed $7,642.75 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
C. A request by Elizabeth Hopp, Project Engineer, of the study and recommendations from the TEAP Study, that 4-way stops should be installed at the intersections of Arrowhead Road and Old 81 Highway, and 22nd Avenue and Old 81 Highway, rumble strips and signage on the highway, and continued safety monitoring at both intersections. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to accept the study as submitted to Public Works by Kirkham, Michael, & Associates, Inc. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
D. A request by Mr. Bohnenblust to seek to fill a mechanic position vacancy. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
E. A request by Mr. Bohnenblust to approve a PCN to hire Carter Allen as a Part-time Seasonal Maintenance Worker I (12A) to fill a vacancy, effective May 18, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
F. A request by Mr. Bohnenblust to approve a PCN for the transfer of Spencer Hall from a Maintenance Worker III to an Engineering Technician II (14G) to fill a vacancy, effective May 24, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

G. An update by Mr. Bohnenblust regarding current and upcoming department projects and an update by Ms. Hopp regarding the Groveland Bridge Project.

At 10:45 a.m. Mr. Kinsey addressed three (3) items:

A. Discussion regarding permitting for a property located at 1345 Cherokee Road, Inman, KS.
B. Discussion regarding lot splits in the ETJ by the City of McPherson.
C. Discussion regarding data centers and different types of alternative power sources, specifically infrasound noise levels.

At 11:14 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and to reconvene at 8:00 a.m. on May 14, 2026 for a walk-through with the renovation contractor at the McPherson County Building. Chairman Becker seconded. **Chairman Becker and Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell was absent from the Commission Meeting.** At 10:45 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

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk

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