

BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA
for
April 6, 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. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:10 a.m. Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator -

- A. Department Stats and Updates
- B. Request signature on contract for ChangeFinder

9:20 a.m. David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director -

- A. Request approval to purchase a gas powered spin screed and pipes
- B. Award the Bids for the 2026 Roadway Maintenance Materials - Asphalt Oils
- C. Non-elected Personnel
- D. Non-elected Personnel
- *E. Non-elected Personnel
- F. Approval for payment to L&M Contractors regarding Bridge #100080
- G. Department Updates

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

Chairman Becker & Commissioner Kueser - Present

Commissioner O'Dell - Absent

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner O'Dell was absent from the meeting. An Executive Session for Public Works was added to the agenda for April 6, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:03 a.m., during Public Input, Sheriff Montagne presented weekly arrest numbers, jail counts, and recent department activities.

At 9:07 a.m., Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator joined the meeting to present department statistics for the month of March 2026, including a summary of case numbers and types. He also obtained the Chairman's signature on the previously approved documents related to the purchase of EagleView Cloud - ChangeFinder.

At 9:13 a.m., David Bohnenblust, Director of Public Works, joined the meeting with seven (7) items:

- A. A request to purchase a gas-powered spin screed and five (5) screed pipes for concrete finish work. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to allow the purchases from Marshalltown USA for a total amount not to exceed \$5,500.00 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to award bids for the 2026 Roadway Maintenance Materials: chip seal oil, tack oil, asphalt oil, as well as freight costs. Following discussion and a review of bids, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the oils at unit prices per gallon as presented (based on need per project) from Ergon, plus freight costs for Munds at \$1.07 per 100 lbs. as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- C. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) for the promotion of Lynell Hiebert to a Maintenance Worker III (16H), effective April 12, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- D. A request to approve a PCN to hire Dylan Jacobson to fill a Part-time Seasonal Maintenance Worker I position (12A), effective April 7, 2026, to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- E. A request to approve a PCN to hire a County Surveyor. At 9:33 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to go into executive session for fifteen (15) minutes, including Commissioners, Mr. Bohnenblust, and Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager for non-elected personnel. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.** At 9:48 a.m., Commissioner Kueser requested an additional ten (10) minutes in executive session including the same individuals to continue discussion of non-elected personnel. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session. Following executive session, Mr. Bohnenblust presented a PCN to hire Anthony Nixon as a County Surveyor (25H), effective May 4, 2026, to fill a vacancy. Mr. Bohnenblust also requested \$1,600.00 of relocation compensation and noted that Mr. Nixon would receive his end of introductory wage increase once he obtains a Kansas Surveyor's License. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request and for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- F. Elizabeth Hopp, Project Engineer presented a request to approve a payment to L&M Contractors for Pay Voucher No.1, for construction costs on Bridge #100080 (Groveland Bridge Replacement Project), which is located on Comanche Road, west of K-61 Highway. The payment will cover the cost of work performed during the estimated period of 3/9/2026 - 3/31/2026. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the payment request and to sign the documents as presented in an amount not to exceed \$ 44,564.50. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- G. Mr. Bohnenblust presented an update on current and upcoming department projects and activities.

At 10:09 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht

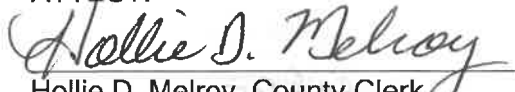

Keith Becker, Chairman

ABSENT

David O'Dell, Vice Chairman


Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk

