BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA
April 18, 2022

Meetings held on the 1st floor in the Commission Meeting Room at 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. ARPA Funds
G. Letter of Support for McPherson City's Application for Transportation Alternatives Grant
H. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:10 a.m. Christiana Stocks, Health Department Billing Specialist -

Request to write off uncollectible debt

9:15 a.m. Gina Bell, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator -

A. Special Use Case 2022-01 Cell Tower Resolution
B. Special Use Case 2022-02 Cell Tower Resolution

9:35 a.m. Jeff Butler, IT Coordinator -

Computer Replacements

9:50 a.m. Tom Kramer, Public Works Director -

A. Bids for dump body and attachments
B. Discuss bids for Wheatridge Ave. Bridge

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

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda for April 18, 2022 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Jerry Montagne joined the meeting and presented an update on the current jail count and recent department activities.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the minutes for April 11, 2022 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the accounts payable, late batch, witness checks, and encumbrances for April 18, 2022 and payroll for pay period ending April 16, 2022. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Christiana Stocks, Health Department Billing Specialist, joined the meeting to request approval to write off uncollectible client debt in the amount of $394.49 for the quarter review date ending March 31, 2022. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m., Gina Bell, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator joined the meeting with two (2) items:

A. Chairman Becker called Special Use Case SU#2022-01, a request by Joseph R. Johnson for the installation of a 120-foot telecommunications tower at 2856 27th Avenue, Gypsum Kansas, in the A-1 Agricultural District. Chairman Becker began the public hearing according to the order of proceedings and then asked Ms. Bell for a review of the background of the case including findings and factors. Chairman Becker closed the public hearing and reviewed options for Commission action. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Board by approving the case, and signing County Resolution 2022-06, with the understanding that any interference issues with nearby 911 Communications towers would require the applicant to relocate his tower. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

B. Chairman Becker called Special Use Case SU#2022-02, a request by Gary Frownfelter for the installation of a 120-foot telecommunications tower at 2070 4th Avenue, Marquette, Kansas, in the A-1 Agricultural District. Chairman Becker began the public hearing according to the order of proceedings and then asked Ms. Bell for a review of the background of the case including findings and factors. Chairman Becker closed the public hearing and reviewed options for Commission action. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Board, approving the case and signing County Resolution #2022-07, with the understanding that any interference issues with nearby 911 Communications towers would require the applicant to relocate his tower. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

At 9:20 a.m., Jeff Butler, IT Coordinator, joined the meeting to request approval to purchase a total of 70 new computers and equipment to replace dated equipment in various County departments. The purchase request includes consoles, switches, and firewall renewals. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the purchase of 70 Dell computers for $57,967.80 plus additional equipment for $15,946.20 with a total amount not to exceed $73,914.00. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** Department budgets will cover costs, as well as capital outlay funds if necessary.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve abates (no adds were submitted) as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, joined the meeting to present a recommendation that Commissioners approve the agreed upon authorized expenditures for the use of ARPA funds including County Road & Bridge projects (Mohawk Road), one-time Premium Pay, and building improvements to the Courthouse and County Building. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the use of funds as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign a letter of support to KDOT regarding the application by the City of McPherson for a State of Kansas Transportation Alternative Grant to provide sidewalk improvements. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:45 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

A. A request to approve a quote from Midwest Track Equipment Inc. for the purchase of a dump body and attachments. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the purchase in an amount not to exceed $143,912.00 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**
B. Discussion of the Wheatridge Avenue Bridge project. Following a review of bids and discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to delay action and table the item until further information is received, and a re-evaluation of options is considered. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 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