

BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA September 18, 2023

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. CMHC Advisory Committee Appointments
- G. City of Moundridge ARPA Funds Documentation
- H. CDDO Fourth Amendment Agreement
- I. Empire Township Board Resignation
- J. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:00 a.m. Sheriff Montagne -

Cell Phone Reimbursement Requests

9:05 a.m. Laurie Wizarde, County Register of Deeds -

Non-elected Personnel

9:10 a.m. Brian Bina, County Counselor -

Attorney/Client Privilege

9:30 a.m. Dan Schrag, Director of Noxious Weed Dept. -

Chemical purchase for 2023 fall weed control

9:35 a.m. Brian Williams, Rolling Acres Golf Course -

Water report

9:40 a.m. Tom Kramer, Public Works Director -

Non-elected Personnel

9:50 a.m. Teresa Nelson, County Treasure

Non-elected Personnel

9:55 a.m. Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator -

Resolution for moratorium on conditional use and sign permits

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 O'Dell made a motion to approve the agenda for September 18, 2023, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne updated Commissioners on current arrests, jail counts, and department activities.

Sheriff Montagne presented two (2) new cell phone allowance requests for \$4.00 per pay period on behalf of Deputy Kinsley and Deputy Webb, effective September 17, 2023. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the request forms as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes for September 11, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:04 a.m., Laurie Wizarde, Register of Deeds, joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Rebecca Blasi as a new Clerk (8A), effective September 18, 2023 to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:07 a.m., Brian Bina, County Counselor, joined the meeting and requested ten (10) minutes of executive session, including Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, for attorney/client privilege/pending or current litigation. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to go into executive as requested. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. All voted aye. **No action was taken in executive session.**

At 9:20 a.m., Dan Schrag, Noxious Weed Department Director, joined the meeting to request approval to purchase the 2023 chemicals for fall application. Following a review of bids and discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve purchases from Nutrien Solutions for a total amount not to exceed \$16,920.00 and Van Diest Supply for a total amount not to exceed \$30,221.05, both in quantities as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:26 a.m., Brian Williams, Rolling Acres Golf Course, joined the meeting with two (2) water well reports, including data on equus beds and water levels, which were previously requested by Commissioners. Following discussion, Mr. Williams asked that his initial 2016 application for permit #49749, increasing the current allowed pumping rate of 8-acre feet to 14-acre feet, be approved by Commissioners, and referred to state

Water Resources for their approval. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to allow Rolling Acres to utilize up to 14-acre feet of water as requested. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve accounts payable, distribution, and witness checks for September 18, 2023, and payroll for pay period ending September 16, 2023 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve adds and abates for September 15, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:40 a.m., Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator, joined the meeting to request approval of Resolution 2023-16, creating a moratorium on conditional use and sign permits until the new zoning regulations model code is adopted and in force. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve and sign the Resolution as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

At 9:47 a.m., Teresa Nelson, County Treasurer, joined the meeting to request approval to increase working hours for Michele Hett from 20 per week to an average of 27 hours per week effective September 17, 2023, and to adjust her status as MVL Title Approver, from temporary part-time to regular part-time, effective September 17, 2023. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented on behalf of Prairie View a request for approval of additional members to the CMHC Advisory Committee. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve Martha Nelson and Tanaka Huff, as recommended in the request. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte requested, on behalf of the City of Moundridge, approval of documentation, and authorization to make payment from the County's ARPA funds, to the City of Moundridge in the total amount not to exceed \$172,691.74 for ambulance related purchases. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the authorization as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for Mr. Witte to notify other entities subject to ARPA fund reimbursements, that the deadline for submitting documentation of purchases will be November 1, 2023. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented a CDDO Fourth Amendment Agreement with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, the Department of Aging, and Disability Services (KDADS). The Agreement is for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. There is no change in financial or contractual provisions as compared to the original and third Amendment. County funding is not required as part of the Agreement. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the Agreement as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to accept the resignation of Arlyn Nightengale from the Empire Township Board, effective September 30, 2023 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. Commissioners Kueser and O'Dell voted aye. Chairman Becker abstained due to a conflict of interest.

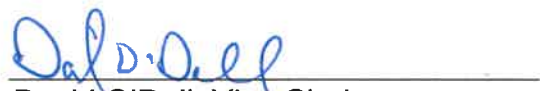
At 10:03 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with a PCN request. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to go into executive session for ten (10) minutes, including Mr. Kramer and Mr. Witte for non-elected personnel discussion. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

Mr. Witte updated Commissioners on health insurance premium changes for the coming year. He noted a slight reduction in proposed BCBSKS 2024 rates. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion for employee and County premium contributions to remain the same as the 2023 plan year premiums. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

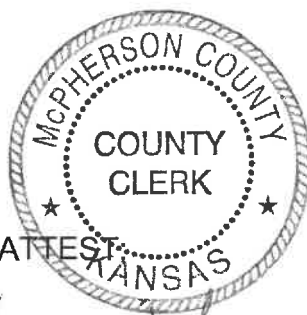
At 10:45 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht


Keith Becker, Chairman


David O'Dell, Vice Chairman


Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner




Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk