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BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA
April 15, 2024

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. King City Township Board Appointment
- G. National County Government Month Proclamation (April 2024)
- *H. Letter of Support for Walking Trails - City of McPherson
- I. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:05 a.m. Central Kansas Conservancy -

2024 Transportation Alternatives grant application

9:10 a.m. Dan Schrag, Noxious Weed Department Director -

Approval to purchase 2024 spring weed control chemicals

9:20 a.m. Hollie Melroy, County Clerk -

Presidential Preference Primary Statement

9:30 a.m. Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications -

- A. National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week Proclamation
- B. Land Purchase Agreement

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

Approval of bid for asphalt oil and chip sealing oil

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

All Present

April 16 - 18, 2024 - Annual KCCA Conference, Pittsburg, KS

Chairman Becker & Commissioner O'Dell - Present

Commissioner Kueser - Absent

Chairman Becker opened the meeting. One item was added to the agenda for April 15, 2024: Letter of Support Request by City of McPherson for Walking Trails/Sidewalks. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:01 a.m., during Public Input, Sheriff Montagne presented weekly arrest numbers, jail counts, and recent department activities.

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes for April 8, 2024 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:05 a.m., Michele Cullen Present of Central Kansas Conservancy (CKC), and Sharon Long, Secretary/Agency Grant Writer, joined the meeting to request signature on a letter of support regarding their application for a 2024 Transportation Alternatives grant for the Sunflower Santa Fe Trail, located in McPherson County. The project would expand the current trail @ two (2) miles westward including the city of Canton. Ms. Cullen read the letter aloud. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to sign the letter as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:12 a.m., Dan Schrag Noxious Weed Department Director, joined the meeting to request the purchase of spring chemicals. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the request for purchases from Nutrien Solutions (\$20,832.00), and Sims Fertilizer & Chemical (\$10,249.20) for a total cost of \$31,081.20. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:19 a.m., Hollie Melroy, County Clerk, joined the meeting to request approval and signatures on the request form for state reimbursement of the March 19, 2024 PPP election expenditures for McPherson County. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to sign the submission document for reimbursement in the amount of \$21,300.42. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:26 a.m., Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request for signature on the Proclamation declaring April 14-20, 2024, as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Ms. McClure read the proclamation aloud. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the document as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request for signature on the Real Estate Sales Agreement purchase of 5.7 acres of land for the Lindsborg tower site at 5th Avenue and Frontier (SW Corner). The tower will provide improved coverage for Windom and Inman areas. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the agreement as presented at \$7,500 per acre, totaling \$42,750.00, and to proceed with the purchase process. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:35 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting to request approval to purchase asphalt oil, and chip sealing oil. Following discussion and a review of bids, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the purchases of AC oil (\$665,280.00 x 2), chip seal oil (\$1,016,388.00), and tack oil (\$27,370.00)

from Ergon for a total approximate cost of \$2,374,318.00 based on price per unit as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve accounts payables, election worker wages, jury checks, and mileage checks for election night for April 15, 2024, as presented, and payroll for the pay period ending April 13, 2024. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve abates for April 12, 2024, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to accept the resignation of Frances Stucky, Trustee, King City Township, and the appointment of Philip Darrah to fill the vacancy left by Ms. Stucky for the remaining term which ends December of 2024. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Chairman Becker read aloud a Proclamation designating April of 2024 as National County Government Month. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for Chairman Becker to sign the proclamation as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager read aloud a letter of support to KDOT on behalf of the City of McPherson regarding grant funding for the improvement of city walking paths/multiuse trails/sidewalks, particularly for the health and safety of the students and children in the McPherson community. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the support letter as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. All voted aye.

At 10:08 a.m., Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to recess and reconvene on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in Pittsburg, KS to attend the Annual KCCA Conference. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** At 11:20 a.m., Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Becker seconded. **Chairman Becker and Commissioner O'Dell voted aye. Commissioner Kueser was absent from the KCCA Conference.**

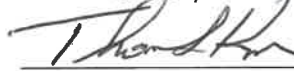
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Keith Becker, Chairman

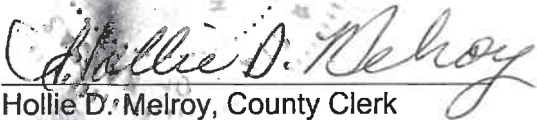


David O'Dell, Vice Chairman



Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk