

BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA

May 6, 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. Agreements for Use of County OPIOD Settlement Funds from the State (2)
- G. South Sharps Creek Township Board Appointment
- H. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:10 a.m. Harris Terry, County Resident -

Special Presentation

9:30 a.m. Jon Kinsey - Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator -

9:40 a.m. Dan Schrag, Director of Noxious Weed Department -

Window replacement in the Noxious Weed building

9:50 a.m. Laurie Wiziard, Register of Deeds -

Non-elected Personnel

9:55 a.m. Tom Kramer, Public Works Director -

- A. Non-elected Personnel - Promotion
- B. Non-elected Personnel - End of Introductory
- C. Cell Phone Allowance Request Form

10:30 a.m. Work Session at Public Works

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
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Regular Meeting
9:00 a.m.
All Present
10:15 a.m. Work Session with Public Works
All Present

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the agenda for May 6, 2024, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:00 a.m., during Public Input, Sheriff Montagne reported on weekly arrests, current jail counts, and department activities.

Also, during Public Input, David Bohnenblust, McPherson Township, announced that he has filed to run for the District No. 2 McPherson County Commission seat.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the minutes for April 22, 2024, as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes for April 29, 2024, as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **Chairman Becker and Commissioner O'Dell voted aye. Commissioner Kueser abstained due to his absence at the April 29, 2024, meeting.**

At 9:05 a.m., former McPherson County Sheriff and County Commissioner, Harris Terry, joined the meeting with a special presentation to the County. A coat/hat rack belonging to a former McPherson County Sheriff, James T. Griffing who served in the late 1920's, was acquired by Mr. Terry. He is donating the coat/hat rack, which was used in the Sheriff's office by then Sheriff Griffing, in hopes that it will be displayed in some way for the public. Mr. Terry shared a bit of historical research and information on Sheriff Griffing, who also participated in the placing of the cornerstone of the current County courthouse in 1894.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for May 3, 2024, as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:13 a.m., Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator, joined the meeting to present department monthly updates including permits and fees collected, and valuation in the areas of zoning and sanitation for April of 2024, as well as a year-to-date summary.

At 9:20 a.m., Dan Schrag, Noxious Weed Department Director, joined the meeting to request approval of a bid to replace windows in the Noxious Weed building. Following

discussion and a review of bids, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to allow the purchase and installation of replacement windows as presented from Alan Weis Contracting, Lindsborg, KS, in an amount not to exceed \$11,523.51. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** Funding will come through Building Capital Outlay and Capital Outlay Reserve Fund.

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, presented a request for approval of Agreements between the County and Prairie View, McPherson, as well as the County and Valley Hope, Moundridge. The Agreements regard the use of County OPIOID Settlement Funds received from the State of Kansas. Both entities have signed the Agreements in which the County will fund each agency \$18,000. The agencies are required to submit annual expenditure reports to the County, which will then be used to complete the annual report to the State, on their use of the OPIOID Funds. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the Agreements as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve a recommendation by the South Sharps Creek Township Board to appoint Mikayla Boge to fill the Clerk position vacancy. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:30 a.m., Laurie Wizarde, Register of Deeds, joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Lynette Melroy as a Clerk I (8A), effective May 13, 2024, to fill a vacancy. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:38 a.m. Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

- A. A request to approve a PCN for the promotion of Jordan Nolte to a Maintenance Worker II (14B), effective May 12, 2024. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve a PCN to end the introductory period for Daryl Otte, Maintenance Worker II (14D), effective May 26, 2024. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**
- C. A request to approve a cell phone allowance for Mr. Otte in the amount of \$4.00 per pay period. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the form as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell read aloud a current severe weather announcement for the McPherson County area, sent from Julie McClure, County Director of Emergency Management/Communications.

At 9:51 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and directly reconvene at Public Works for a work session. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

During the work session, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve a request to lay an additional 300 ft. of asphalt at Tortilla King LLC due to the expansion of their manufacturing facility. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** At 11:20 a.m. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kueser 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, County Clerk