

BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA
August 5, 2024

**Meetings held on the 1st floor in the Commission Meeting Room of the 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. Adds & Abates
- E. Personnel
- F. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:10 a.m. Cynthia Peterson, McPherson Airport -

FAA Grant

9:20 a.m. Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator -

July Department Updates

9:30 a.m. 2025 Budget Hearings for Rural Fire Districts

9:40 a.m. Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications -

Windom site building refurbish quote

9:50 a.m. Captain Blevins, Corrections/Jail -

Non-elected Personnel

10:00 a.m. Tom Kramer, Public Works Director -

- A. Non-elected Personnel
- B. Discussion on updated repairs for Truck No. 45

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

August 6, 2024

6:00 p.m. McPherson County Board of Planning & Zoning Appeals and McPherson County Commission
Appreciation Dinner

The Barn, Burton, KS

All Present

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the agenda for August 5, 2024, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

Max Fuqua, Fuqua Construction Inc. joined Public Input and updated Commissioners on the status of the County Building remodel project. Mr. Fuqua reviewed the vendor/sub-contractor bidding process and distributed lists of companies to be contacted to provide bids, which will be submitted and reviewed for selection in late September 2024.

Nick Reinecker, Inman resident, joined Public Input to share his thoughts following conversations with fellow citizens during his door-to-door campaign. He stressed the importance of leaning on faith and biblical teachings regarding our personal interactions, as well as defending the Constitution, to continue to live in safety and freedom.

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes from August 29, 2024, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Cynthia Peterson, McPherson Airport Manager, and Caleb Coltrane, Senior Aviation Project Manager at Garver, Wichita, joined the meeting to request matching funds for two grants: KDOT, for the runway paving project and repairs; and FAA, for the airport lighting project. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to split a 5% match equally with McPherson City and McPherson Airport for the KDOT grant (@ \$13,000 total from each entity), and to split a 2.5% match equally with McPherson City and McPherson Airport for the FAA grant (@ \$6,000 total from each entity). Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:28 a.m., Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator joined the meeting to review the July 2024 and year-to-date department statistics regarding zoning and sanitation permits as well as fees collected. Mr. Kinsey also discussed and displayed the new zoning signs posted by KDOT upon entering McPherson County on all county and state roads.

At 9:35 a.m., the Commissioners held the Rural Fire District (RFD) Budget Hearing for RFDs #1, #3 - #10. Following a review by Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for Commissioners accept and sign the Certificate Page for RFDs #3, #4, #6, #9, and #10 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:39 a.m., Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications, joined the meeting to request approval of a quote from Custom Tower L.L.C. for the rehabilitation project on the Windom tower site. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the request in an amount not to exceed \$50,300.00 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:47 a.m., Captain Blevins, Corrections, joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to promote Casey Burke to a Corporal Correctional Officer (15B), effective August 4, 2024. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:49 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to approve a PCN to hire Wayne Penner as a Maintenance Worker I (12C), effective August 6, 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.**
- B. An update on current engine repairs for truck #45, by Foley - CAT. An amount of \$1,700.00 in addition to the original quote is required for proper engine repairs to be completed. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to allow the additional \$1,700.00 to complete the repair as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve checks and claims, accounts payable, and a voided check for August 5, 2024, and payroll for pay period ending August 3, 2024, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for August 2, 2024. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:05 a.m. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and reconvene at 6:00 p.m. on August 6, 2024 at The Barn in Burton, KS to attend the McPherson County Board of Planning & Zoning Appeals/McPherson County Commission Annual Appreciation Dinner. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.** At 8:06 p.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


Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk

