

BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA September 9, 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. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:05 a.m. Captain Blevins, Corrections -

Non-elected Personnel

9:10 a.m. Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications -

Non-elected Personnel

9:15 a.m. Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator -

- A. Non-elected Personnel
- B. Department Updates
- C. National Service Dog Proclamation

9:25 a.m. Tim Gadde, Director of Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections

Non-elected Personnel

9:30 a.m. 2025 Budget

9:45 a.m. Dan Schrag, Noxious Weed Dept. Director

Purchase of fall 2024 weed control chemicals

9:55 a.m. John Hawk - McPherson Area Solid Waste Utility -

Approval of 5-year update of the McPherson County and Central Kansas Regional Solid Waste Authority Solid Waste Management Plan

10:05 a.m. Tom Kramer, Public Works Director -

- A. Approval to advertise for a Mechanic to fill a vacancy
- B. Discussion regarding a request to apply for the KDOT cost share grant for the 27th Ave. Bridge at Rainbow Road (No.270231)

10:30 a.m. Work Session at Public Works (Public Works & PZE)

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

10:45 a.m. Work Session at Public Works

All Present

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

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne updated Commissioners on recent arrest numbers and current jail counts, as well as department activities. He also introduced Larry Hall, a recently hired Correctional Officer. Sheriff Montagne then presented a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Domenic Rabone II as a Correctional Officer (14B), effective September 16, 2024, 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.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the minutes for August 19, 2024 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Checks and claims for September 2, 2024 and payroll for pay period ending August 31, 2024 were previously approved and released.

At 9:10 a.m., Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to approve a PCN to re-hire Shauna Pirl as a Communications Tech (13D), effective September 10, 2024, 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.**
- B. A request to approve a PCN to hire Kerri Horton as a Communications Tech (13A), effective September 16, 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.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve adds and abates for September 6, 2024 as presented, with the exception of the entries for Emprise Bank, and Sagar. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:20 a.m., Jon Kinsey, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

- A. A request to approve a PCN to end the introductory status of Nicole Settrini, Clerk I (8B), effective September 15, 2024. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

- B. A review of department statistic for the month of August 2024 regarding zoning and sanitation permits as well as fees collected.
- C. A request for signature on a 2024 Proclamation Declaring September to be National Service Dog Month. Mr. Kinsey read the proclamation aloud. Following this, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the document as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:25 a.m., Sunny Milleeson, Community Corrections ISO II, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to approve a PCN to hire Danielle Shea as a Full-time Secretary (S18C), effective September 16, 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. A request to approve a PCN to hire Summer Funk as a Full-time Field Officer (S33A), effective September 16, 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 9:30 a.m., Dan Schrag, Noxious Weed Department Director, joined the meeting to request approval to purchase 2024 fall weed control chemicals. Following a review of bids and discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the purchases from Sims Fertilizer & Chemical (\$26,460), and Nutrien Solutions (\$18,208), for a total amount of \$44,668.00 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:31 a.m., Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager reviewed the County Proposed 2025 Budget and noted that the proposed estimated tax rate of 30.628 mills exceeds the Revenue Neutral Rate of 28.907 mills. Chairman Becker opened the Public Hearing for any comments and/or concerns from the public. Four (4) members of the public presented various questions and concerns including the justification for an overall budget increase from the previous year, and specific questions regarding personal interactions with the Appraiser's office, MVL office, and Public Works department. Following these discussions, Chairman Becker closed the Public Hearing. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve and sign County Resolution #2024-10, to levy a property tax rate exceeding the revenue neutral rate. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.** Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to formally adopt the 2025 Proposed Budget as presented and to sign the Certificate page of the 2025 Budget. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte reviewed the County Proposed 2025 Budget for Fire District #2, Marquette, and noted that the proposed estimated tax rate of 9.090 mills exceeds the Revenue Neutral Rate of 8.845 mills. Chairman Becker then opened the Public Hearing for comments or concerns from the public. There were none. Chairman Becker closed the Public Hearing. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve and sign RFD #2 Resolution #2024-01, to levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.** Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to formally adopt the 2025 Proposed Budget for RFD #2 as presented and to sign the Certificate page of the 2025 Budget. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:12 a.m., John Hawk, MASWU General Manager, joined the meeting to request Approval of the 5-year update of the McPherson County and Central Kansas Regional Solid Waste

Authority Solid Waste Management Plans. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:16 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to advertise for a Mechanic to fill a vacancy. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to apply for the KDOT cost share grant for the 27th Bridge at Rainbow Road (No. 270231). Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for Public Works to begin the application process for the grant at a 50% cost share. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

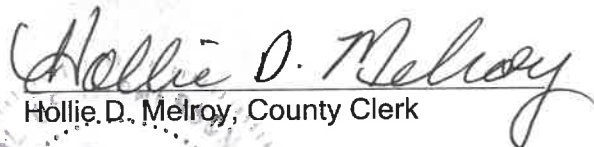
At 10:21 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and directly reconvene at the Public Works offices for a work session with Public Works and Planning/Zoning/Environment. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.** At 2:05 p.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell 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

