BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA

March 31, 2025

Commission Meetings are being held at the Public Works Dept. Meeting Room 1115 W. Avenue A, McPherson, KS during the renovation project at the County Building

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. Local Workforce Development Area I - Chief Elected Official Board Agreement
G. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:10 a.m. Sunny Milleson, Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections Director -

KDOC FY2026 - 2027 Juvenile Evidence-Based Programs Grants

9:20 a.m. Stacy Hubbard, McPherson County Appraiser -

A. Non-elected Personnel - PCN to hire
B. Non-elected Personnel - (2) executive session

9:35 a.m. David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director -

A. Award the bid for the 2025 Milling Projects
B. Award the bids for the 2025 Roadway Maintenance Materials (asphalt oils)
C. Non-elected Personnel
D. Request for signature on the Project Agreement with KDOT for the KLBIP (County Bridge #075010) on Arapaho Rd., 3.0 miles south and 0.5 miles west of Inman

10:30 a.m. - Executive Session - Non-elected Personnel, Noxious Weed Department

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
March 31, 2025

March 31, 2025
9:00 a.m. - Regular Meeting
Chairman Becker & Commissioner Kueser - Present
Commissioner O'Dell - Absent

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Becker opened the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell was absent. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda for March 31, 2025, as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:03 a.m., Sheriff Montagne joined the meeting and updated Commissioners on current jail counts and arrests for the week, as well as recent and upcoming department activities.

At 9:05 a.m., Sunny Milleson, Director of Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections, joined the meeting to request approval and signature on the KDOC FY2026-2027 Juvenile Evidence-based Programs Grants. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the grant documents as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve checks for March 31, 2025, and payroll for the pay period ending March 29, 2025 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the single abate for March 28, 2025, as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager presented a Local Workforce Development Area I Chief Elected Official Board Agreement, which establishes the merger of District 1 and District 2 as specified in the document. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the agreement as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m. Stacy Hubbard, County Appraiser, joined the meeting with three items:

A. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Racinda Christiansen as a Field Appraiser in Training (9A), effective March 31, 2025, to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
B. A request for ten (10) minutes of executive session, including Commissioners, Mr. Witte, and Ms. Hubbard to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to go into executive session as requested. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**
C. A request to approve two (2) PCNs: an increase in working hours to thirty (30) hours per week for Tiffany Blake, Commercial/Industrial Appraiser, effective March 31, 2025; and the promotion of Cindy Justus to a Deed Record Specialist II (14I) including an updated job description, effective March 31, 2025. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the updated job description and for the Chairman to sign the PCNs as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:30 a.m., David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with five (5) items:

A. A request to award the bid for the 2025 Milling Projects. Following discussion and a review of bids, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the option #2 bid from Dustrol, including milling and hauling, in an amount not to exceed $303,704.98, and to allow the Director the opportunity to negotiate with Dustrol for a lower amount by adjusting projects scheduling. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

B. A request to award the bids for the 2025 Roadway Maintenance Materials (asphalt oils). Following discussion and a review of bids, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the purchase of chip seal oil (CRS-1H), tack oil (CSS-1H), and asphalt oil (PG64-22) from Ergon, for a total amount not to exceed $1,554,097.06. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
C. A request to advertise to fill a vacant Maintenance Worker position and a vacant Maintenance Worker/Sign Shop position. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
D. A request for signature on the Project Agreement with KDOT for the KLBIP bridge improvement project; KDOT Bridge No.590990 (McPherson County Bridge No. 075010) located on Arapaho Road, 3.0 miles and 0.5 miles west of Inman. KDOT will cover the cost at 85% not to exceed $950,000.00. Following a review of the agreement, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to sign the document as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
E. A request to utilize the Minimum Maintenance Road Program on 27th Avenue going west into the Maxwell Game Preserve. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request in an amount not to exceed $50,000.00. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:53 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and to reconvene at 10:30 a.m. for executive session, including Mr. Witte, for Noxious Weed Department interviews of three (3) applicants. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session. At 11:45 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Becker seconded. All voted aye.**

Minutes Prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht

Keith Becker, Chairman

ABSENT
David O'Dell, Vice Chairman

Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk