

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
July 3, 2017

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Regular Meeting
9:00 a.m.
All Present

Chairman Loomis opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the agenda for July 3, 2017 with the addition of discussion of the employee health plan fund allocation. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne updated Commissioners on the current inmate count at the jail and weekly arrest numbers. Sheriff Montagne also reported on his recent attendance, along with Commissioner Becker, at a K-9 Unit training event by SARK (Search and Rescue Kansas).

Commissioner Becker made a motion to approve the minutes from June 19, 2017. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the minutes for June 26, 2017. Commissioner Becker seconded. **Commissioners Linaweaver and Becker voted aye. Chairman Loomis abstained due to his absence at the June 26, 2017 meeting.**

Commissioner Becker made a motion to approve checks and claims for July 3, 2017, and payroll for pay period ending July 1, 2017. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Tim Hawkinson, Emergency Management/Communications, presented two (2) Personnel Change Notices (PCNs) to hire Nichole Bowen and Katlynn Queen as new Communications Technicians (13A), effective July 24, 2017 to fill vacancies. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCNs as presented. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request for signature on the KDOT Agreement with Kirkham Michael for design services on the signing project in the Northeast corner of the county. Commissioner Becker made a motion to sign the agreement as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.** According to the agreement there will be no cost to the county for the project and design services.
- B. Commissioners discussed options for repair or replacement of truck #26. It was a consensus among Commissioners that Mr. Kramer obtain quotes for a replacement and return to a future meeting.

Commissioners discussed a letter from the KAC with a request to designate a voting delegate for the November 2017 Annual Conference. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for Chairman Loomis to be appointed as the voting delegate, Commissioner Becker to be appointed as first alternate, and himself, to be appointed as second alternate. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioners discussed options for allocating excess funds from the current employee health plan fund balance. Following discussion, Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to authorize a one-time

allocation of the excess funds to all employees who are on payroll as of July 3, 2017 and still employed as of July 15, 2017 as follows: \$500 for full-time hourly, including elected and exempt employees; \$300 for part-time employees working from 20 up to 40 hours per week; and \$100 for seasonal/part-time employees. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye. The funds will be included in the payroll checks dated July 21, 2017.**

Commissioners discussed a travel voucher submitted for reimbursement by the County Attorney's office, which included items not covered in the county travel policy. It was a consensus among the Commissioners to exclude those specific items from the total requested reimbursement amount.

At 10:00 a.m., Commissioners recessed and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. near the General McPherson Statue in Memorial Park to participate in the commemoration ceremony of the 100-year dedication of the statue.

At 10:45 a.m., Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Ron Loomis, Chairman

Keith Becker, Vice Chairman

Linus Linaweaver, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk