

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 19, 2010
10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting
All Present

Chairman Patrick opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the agenda for October 19, 2010. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

No one spoke during Public Input at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the minutes for October 5, 2010 as corrected. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the minutes for October 13, 2010. Chairman Patrick seconded. Chairman Patrick and Commissioner Terry voted aye. Commissioner Loomis abstained due to his absence at the October 13, 2010 meeting.

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve checks and claims for October 19, 2010 and payroll for pay period ending October 16, 2010. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator, presented a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) on behalf of the Court Trustee Department, to hire Emily Ramirez as a Secretary/Receptionist/Clerk, effective October 4, 2010 to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m., Sunny Milleson, Community Corrections, presented two (2) requests:

1. Approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Eileen Drake as an Administrative Assistant (9A), effective October 20, 2010 to fill a vacancy.
2. Approval of a PCN to hire Elizabeth Hendry as an Intensive Supervision Officer (19A), effective October 25, 2010 to fill a vacancy.

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign the PCNs as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte began a discussion of the request for County funding of a proposed Mohawk Road Interchange. Commissioners expressed their views and concerns regarding the future impact of the Interchange. Joanne Moege, land owner and 16th Avenue resident, joined the meeting and questioned Commissioners on the necessity of the project and shared her personal concerns. Brett Reber representing MIDC also joined the meeting to provide input on behalf of MIDC and noted future benefits of the Interchange. Following discussion, Commissioner Terry made a motion that McPherson County pledge a maximum of \$1,300,000 to pay for the cost of reasonable and necessary road construction and related costs to connect the proposed I-135 & Mohawk Road Interchange to Centennial Drive upon the following conditions:

1. The State of Kansas approves, funds and constructs the interchange and adjacent proposed connecting road as indicated in the study of an I-135 and Mohawk Road Interchange completed by BWR in 2007 (from the intersection of 17th Avenue and Mohawk Road west to the intersection of 16th Avenue and Mohawk Road then south to the intersection of 16th Avenue and Moccasin Road - approximately 2 miles)
2. Some combination of local agencies commit a total of \$700,000 to the same project
3. The availability of the funds will be upon the signing of the construction contract for this project

4. If \$2,000,000 is committed by any combination of local agencies McPherson County authorizes MIDC on their behalf to draft and present a joint letter of support from all supporting agencies.

Commissioner Loomis seconded. Commissioners Loomis and Terry voted aye. Chairman Patrick voted nay.

At 11:45 a.m., Chairman Patrick adjourned the meeting.

Commission minutes taken by Abbey Heidebrecht

Duane J. Patrick, Chairman

Ron Loomis, Vice-Chairman

Harris Terry, Commissioner

Attest: County Clerk
Susan R. Meng