

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

For  
May 28, 2013

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Regular Meeting

10:00 a.m.

Budget Presentations Afternoon Session

All Present

Chairman Loomis opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. One item was added to the agenda for May 28, 2013: Chemical Purchase, Noxious Weed Department. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Loomis began the public hearing for a request by Mid Kansas Cooperative (MKC) for Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRBs) regarding a proposed special project. Brett Reber, Attorney representing MKC introduced the project; a train loader facility near Canton, Kansas. Mr. Reber then introduced Danny Posche, MKC CFO, who provided additional specific proposed project details. Brad Eilts, Executive Director of McPherson Industrial Development Company was then introduced and presented a cost benefit analysis in support of the 10-year property and sales tax abatements. Next, Sarah Steele, Attorney for Gilmore and Bell, Bond Counsel for McPherson County, addressed Commissioners with information regarding the cost benefit analysis, abatements and bonds. Ms. Steele noted the project cost, amounting to \$42,000,000, will cover all phases of the project. Following discussion, Chairman Loomis closed the hearing. Proposed County Resolution #2013-10, a preliminary Resolution of Intent, was presented. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **Chairman Loomis voted aye. Commissioner Patrick voted aye. Commissioner Linaweaver voted aye.**

At 10:25 a.m., John Klenda, County Counselor, joined the meeting and requested fifteen (15) minutes of executive session, including Brian Bina, Assistant County Counselor and Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, to discuss litigation matters. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to go into executive session from 10:25 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

At 10:40 a.m., Dan Schrag, Director of the Noxious Weed Department, joined the meeting with two items:

- A. A request to approve the Annual Weed Management Plan for 2014. Following discussion, Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve and sign the plan as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve a chemical purchase from Crop Production Services in an amount not to exceed \$16,830.20. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:57 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

- A. A request to approve a quote for electrical repairs at the asphalt plant maintenance building from Decker Electric. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the request as presented, including confirmation that an explosion proof box (according to NFPA Code) be added to the proposal. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

- B. A request to obtain quotes to crush asphalt. Following discussion, Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**
- C. A request to bid on crack sealer materials. Following discussion, Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve minutes for May 14, 2013. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve minutes for May 21, 2013. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **Commissioners Patrick and Linaweaver voted aye. Chairman Loomis abstained due to his absence at the May 21, 2013 meeting.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve checks and claims for May 28, 2013 and payroll for pay period ending May 25, 2013, and tax disbursements. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve adds and abates for May 24, 2013. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented on behalf of the Community Corrections, the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Grant Conditions Agreement for signature. Following discussion, Commissioner Patrick made a motion for the Chairman to sign the agreement as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:40 a.m., Jeff Butler, County IT Coordinator presented his proposed 2014 budget to Commissioners.

At 12:00 noon, Commissioners recessed and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room to hear 2014 proposed budget presentations from Emergency Management, Emergency Communications, Noxious Weed, and County Conservation departments/entities.

At 3:00 p.m., Nancy Kessinger, Director of Infant Development, joined the meeting for a work session regarding MCKIDS programs and staffing. No action was taken.

At 4:00 p.m., Commissioners recessed and reconvened at the Courthouse, including John Klenda, new 9th Judicial District Judge, to review proposed renovations to the district court area. Following discussion, Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to authorize improvements including office furniture, equipment and remodeling as presented in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00. Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 5:10 p.m., Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Minutes taken by Abbey Heidebrecht.

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**Ron Loomis, Chairman**

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**Duane J. Patrick, Vice Chairman**

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**Linus Linaweaver, Commissioner**

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**Abbey A. Heidebrecht**  
**Commission Secretary**