

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
July 24, 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 24, 2017. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., John Verssue, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator joined the meeting, along with Bob Carson, to announce Mr. Carson's resignation from the McPherson County Planning Board following 11 years of service, including 10 years as the Board Chairman. The Commissioners presented Mr. Carson with a certificate of recognition and thanked him for his many years of service to the County.

The approval of minutes for July 17, 2017 was tabled for one week pending clarification on one agenda item.

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to sign a letter of support on behalf of Safehope Inc. regarding an application for tax credits through the Community Service Program to help fund the "Create the Hope Campaign". A proposed \$616,000 Outreach and Advocacy Center Project will expand and improve Safehope's ability to provide crisis intervention, outreach and advocacy and other services to individuals and families across the service area which includes Harvey, McPherson and Marion counties. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to sign the letter as presented. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:13 a.m., Fern Hess, County Health Department Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request for approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to end the introductory period for Amy White, Clerk (6B), effective July 30, 2017. Commissioner Becker made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve a bid for the repair of paint damaged areas on the agency vehicle; a 2006 Ford van. Following discussion, Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the paint repair bid from Koehn's in an amount not to exceed \$1,600.80. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:30 a.m., Kasi Morales, MIDC Executive Director, joined the meeting to present the MIDC quarterly report. Ms. Morales reviewed data, activities, programs and projects related the McPherson County labor force, expansions, promotional activities, business recruitment, retention, and GoMcPherson.

At 10:00 a.m., Hollie Melroy, County Clerk, joined the meeting to notify the Commissioners of an upcoming Clerk vacancy in her office due to the September 1, 2017 retirement of a current staff member. Ms. Melroy plans to fill the vacancy August 14, 2017.

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve a request from the Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections Director to sign a KDOC Division of Juvenile Services FY 2017 Quarterly

Budget Adjustment Report. The report was previously approved and signed by the Corrections Advisory Board. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager reviewed and discussed the proposed 2018 McPherson County Budget with Commissioners. It was a consensus among Commissioners to authorize Mr. Witte to publish the document and to schedule the official public hearing for budget approval on August 7, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

At 10:30 a.m., Commissioners recessed and reconvened at the Law Enforcement Center to hold a work session with Emergency Management/Communications. Following the work session at 12:30 p.m. Commissioners recessed and reconvened at the Commission Meeting Room.

At 1:00 p.m., Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to go into executive session for 45 minutes, including Mr. Witte, for discussion of non-elected personnel in the Appraiser's office. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

At 1:50 p.m., Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Minutes prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht

Ron Loomis, Chairman

Keith Becker, Vice Chairman

Linus Linaweaver, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie Melroy, County Clerk