

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2019

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

December 13, 2019

6:00 p.m. Economic Development Town Hall Meeting, McPherson Community Building

Chairman Becker opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Three (3) agenda items were postponed for a later meeting date: Community Corrections Carryover Budgets (2), and Outcomes. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne updated Commissioners on current inmate counts and department activities.

Also during Public Input, Keith Johnston, New Gottland Township Clerk requested approval of the resignation of Board member Taner Trautwein and the appointment of Garry Erickson to fill the vacancy. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the minutes for November 25, 2019. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:05 a.m., Shalei Shea, Health Department Director, joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to end the introductory period for Christiana Stocks, Billing Clerk, effective December 1, 2019. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:07 a.m., Greg Benefiel, County Attorney, joined the meeting to discuss merit wage increases for elected and exempt staff in the County Attorney's office. Following discussion, it was a consensus among Commissioners that Mr. Benefiel return to a future meeting with additional information.

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve a cell phone allowance of \$8.00 per pay period for a new Administrative Assistant in Community Corrections. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for December 6, 2019. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the following Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses: Canton Grocery LLC, 365 Sports Complex LLC, and Rolling Acres Golf Course. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign a PCN to hire Tyler Petersen as a Temporary Sheriff's Deputy effective December 1, 2019. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager presented the Employee Assistance Program Agreement for signature. Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the agreement as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:40 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

On December 13, 2019, Commissioners attended an Economic Development Town Hall Meeting at the McPherson Community Building from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Keith Becker, Chairman

Ron Loomis, Vice Chairman

Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk