

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 27, 2007

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

Chairman Patrick and Commissioner Loomis - Present

Commissioner Terry - Absent

Chairman Patrick opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Two items were added to the agenda for March 27, 2007: Signature page for HOME Grant, and Crestwood Cemetery Deed. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve payroll for March 30, 2007. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve adds and abates for March 23, 2007. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator presented for approval, a recommendation from the RFD #7 Board, Moundridge, KS, to appoint Dick Gehring to fill a board vacancy. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m., Dan Schrag, Noxious Weed Director, joined the meeting to request signature on the annual KDOT contract to treat noxious weeds on state maintained roads. The purchase of chemicals to treat KDOT roads is budgeted in the 2007 budget. All chemicals used are reimbursed at full cost. Labor and equipment charges are also reimbursed to the County. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign the contract as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for signature a replacement page for a HOME Grant agreement reflecting an amended name and title of the KHRC Deputy Director. Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the signature page as requested. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for signature a Quit Claims Deed for two (2) spaces in the Crestwood Cemetery. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:30 a.m., Fern Hess, Health Department Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

1. Request approval for Karen Ediger, Public Health Nurse II, to participate in the 2007-2008 Kansas Public Health Certification Program. The majority of the tuition cost (\$1,000) is being funded by a Kansas Health Foundation Scholarship

in the amount of \$750. The Kansas Health Foundation Annual Continuing Education Grant to the McPherson County Health Department will cover remaining associated expenses and tuition. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

2. Request to write off uncollectible McPherson County Health Department bad debt in the amount of \$1263.83 for the quarter ending December 31, 2006. The highest debt amounts are reflected in the areas of family planning and immunizations. Individual claims range from \$2.50 to 163.50. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:47 a.m., Gerry Bley, Interim Public Works Director, and Richard Nelson, Road & Bridge Superintendent joined the meeting with three (3) items:

1. A request for approval to order five (5) precast box culverts for a total amount not to exceed \$50,798.20 from McPherson Concrete Products, Co. County crews will complete installation of the box culverts. Funding is included in the 2007 Public Works budget. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the purchase as requested. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**
2. A request for approval to advertise to bid for a new trailer mounted asphalt pot hole patcher to replace an existing 1987 Ford F-700 pot hole truck. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the bid advertisement request as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**
3. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) for the promotion of Troy Schroeder to a Maintenance Worker III (13D) effective April 8, 2007. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte requested five (5) minutes, from 11:10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. in executive session, including Mr. Witte, Mr. Bley, and Mr. Nelson, to discuss non-elected personnel in the Public Works Department. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to go to executive session as requested. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session.

At 11:25 a.m., Chairman Patrick adjourned the meeting.

Commission Minutes taken by Abbey A. Heidebrecht

Duane J. Patrick, Chairman

Harris G. Terry, Vice-Chairman

Ron Loomis, Commissioner

Attest: County Clerk
Susan R. Meng