

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 17, 2007

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 April 17, 2007.

Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

At 10:05 a.m., Angela Krummel-Buzard, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting to remind Commissioners of the Volunteer Dinner which will be held at the Holiday Manor at 6:30 p.m. April 17, 2007.

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve checks and claims for April 17, 2007, with the exception of the check payable to American Steel. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m., Della Meier, Tour Director at Maxwell State Park, joined the meeting representing the committee supporting the proposed Prairie Hills Scenic Byway. Ms. Meier introduced Deborah Divine, Program Manager for Kansas Scenic Byways who presented Commissioners with information regarding specific concerns and questions from the McPherson County Public Works Department. Committee members and supporters of the Byway addressed Commissioners urging their approval. Linda Branch, President of the Lindsborg Chamber of Commerce, read a letter of support for the Byway from the Lindsborg Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Following discussion, Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign the letter of support for the Prairie Hills Scenic Byway. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **Commissioner Terry voted aye. Chairman Patrick and Commissioner Loomis voted nay.** Following the vote, Ms. Divine presented a mile-by-mile review/report of the proposed Byway. Copies of the review will be provided to the Commissioners for further consideration.

Rick Witte, County Administrator, presented two Personnel Change Notices (PCNs) for approval and signature:

- 1) A PCN for end of probation status of Alisha Cooper, Victim/Witness Coordinator in County Attorney's Office, (11B), effective April 8, 2007.
- 2) A PCN for the promotion of Brandon Wolf, to Sgt. Correctional Officer in the Sheriff's Department (14A), effective April 22, 2007.

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign the PCNs as presented.

Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:10 a.m., Gerry Bley, Interim Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two items:

- 1) A request to approve and sign PCNs for the end of probation status of Damon Kleinsorge, Maintenance Worker II in the Public Works Department (13C) effective April 22, 2007; and a request to approve the hiring of Trevor Welch and Guthrie Pollard as Summer Engineering Technicians (6A) effective April 18, 2007 and May 14, 2007 respectively. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign the three (3) PCNs as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**
- 2) A request to allow County Public Works crews to complete the Hot In Place Asphalt Recycling (HIPAR) project on 27th Avenue from Apache Rd., north seven (7) miles to Cimarron Rd. Only one outside bid was received which was higher than the budgeted amount for the project. Commissioner Terry made a motion to not approve the single bid received. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for signature, the Statement of Property Values, for insurance purposes. Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the Statement as requested. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:30 a.m., Dianna Carter, County Appraiser, joined the meeting and presented information and literature on mobile video, which she would like to consider utilizing in the Appraiser's Department sometime in the future. Ms. Carter also asked Commissioners to consider allowing the hiring of one or two additional temporary seasonal employees in the Appraiser's Office, for data collection due to the increased requirements related to the new pending Computer Aided Mass Appraisal (CAMA) system. It was a consensus among Commissioners to allow Ms. Carter to proceed with the process of hiring additional temporary employees.

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve adds and abates for April 13, 2007. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for signature the Annual Operation and Maintenance Assurance Statement (Land & Water Conservation Fund) for the Memorial Park Improvement Project. Commissioner Terry made a motion for the Chairman to sign the Statement as requested. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for signature the HOME Investment Partnerships Program Authorized Signature Designation Form for Grant #HR06-0108. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to sign the Form as requested. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for Signature the HOME Grant Quarterly Progress Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2007. The total amount of HOME dollars disbursed during the quarter was \$60,864.30, and the total amount of local matching County dollars disbursed during the quarter was \$2,963.62. Commissioner Terry made a motion for the Chairman to sign the Report as requested. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 12:10 p.m., Commissioners recessed until 1:30 p.m. where they reconvened at the Public Works Department for a work session. After further consideration following the work session, it was the consensus of the Commissioners to release the check payable to American Steel. At 4:45 p.m. Commissioners recessed until 6:15 p.m. where they met

at the Holiday Manor to attend the County Volunteer Dinner. At 8:30 p.m. Commissioner 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