

## BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 14, 2008  
10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting  
All Present

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

Two items were added to the agenda for October 14, 2008: Noxious Weed Department, chemical purchase request; and Appraiser's Department, KAM awards. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

At 10:05 a.m., Dan Schrag, Noxious Weed Department Director, joined the meeting to request a spray chemical purchase to treat musk thistle. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the request to purchase Milestone chemical from UAP, Galva, KS at a total cost of \$8,070.00, as well as the purchase of any necessary additional amounts as needed. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m., Dianna Carter, County Appraiser, joined the meeting to recognize Kevin Beakey and the awards he received recently at the Kansas Association of Mappers Conference held in Hutchinson, Kansas. Mr. Beakey received two awards: 2008 Prestigious Cartographer of the Year; and the Map Gallery Award, which features a large map of Swedish Settlements in Kansas. The map will be displayed at the Courthouse.

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the minutes for October 7, 2008. Commissioner Terry seconded. **Commissioners Patrick and Terry voted aye. Chairman Loomis abstained due to his absence at the October 7, 2008 meeting.** Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the minutes for September 23, 2008. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve checks and claims for September 30 and October 14. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve adds and abates for October 10, 2008. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to appoint Chairman Loomis as the voting delegate for the 2008 KAC Conference in November. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **Commissioners Patrick and Terry voted aye.** Commissioner Terry made a motion to appoint Commissioner Patrick as first alternate. Chairman Loomis seconded. **Commissioner Terry voted aye. Chairman Loomis voted aye.**

At 10:35 a.m., Tom Kramer, Director of Public Works, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

1. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) for the promotion of Andrew Clark to a Maintenance Worker II (11A) effective October 19, 2008, and a PCN to hire Thomas Larson as a Maintenance Worker I (9A), effective October 19, 2008 to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve both PCNs as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**
2. A request to purchase and install four (4) new tires on the asphalt plant loader, from Becker Tire, for a total amount not to exceed \$9,418.20. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator, requested ten (10) minutes in executive session, including himself and Dwight Hoppe, to discuss non-elected personnel in the Public Works Department. Commissioner Terry made a motion to go into executive session as requested from 10:45 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** At 10:55 a.m., Commissioner Terry made a motion to extend executive session for ten (10) additional minutes. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** At 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Terry made a motion to continue executive session for an additional fifteen (15) minutes, also including Tom Kramer. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** At 11:20 a.m., Commissioner Terry made a motion to continue executive session for an additional twenty (20) minutes. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session.

At 11:40 a.m. Commissioners recessed until 1:00 p.m. when they reconvened at the Public Works Department for a work session. At 2:00 p.m., Commissioner Terry excused himself from the meeting. At 2:50 p.m., Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Commission minutes taken by Abbey Heidebrecht.

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Ron Loomis, Chairman

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Duane Patrick, Vice-Chairman

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Harris Terry, Commissioner

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Attest: County Clerk  
Susan R. Meng