

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

November 25, 2008
10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting
All Present

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

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda for November 25, 2008 as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the minutes for November 19, 2008 as corrected. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve adds and abates, and landfill for November 21, 2008. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve checks and claims and election expenses for November 25, 2008, and payroll for December 5, 2008. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:15 a.m., Dianna Carter joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) ending the probation status of Sarah Ediger, Appraiser I (10B) effective November 30, 2008. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the PCN as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve a 3% cost of living allowance increase for County Employees, effective November 30, 2008, with the exception of the County Commissioners, who would remain at their current salaries. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator, made a request for approval of two (2) PCNs on behalf of the Treasurer's Department:

1. Hire Judy Rodriguez as a Full-time MVL Clerk/Language Specialist (9B) effective November 16, 2008.
2. Hire Shirley Bloomquist as a Temporary/Seasonal Clerk effective November 25, 2008.

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve both PCNs as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:30 a.m., Ty Kaufman, County Attorney, joined the meeting to request signature on the 2009 Indigent Defense Agreement which provides for legal representation in certain cases. The Board of Commissioners has established a budget amounting to \$115,000.00 for the calendar year 2009. Following discussion and comments by Bill Mills, local attorney and former indigent defense panel participant, Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the Agreement as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:55 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting to present a request to purchase 4 x 4x14' sign posts. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the low bid from Jantz Lumber in an amount not to exceed \$2,300.00. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for approval on behalf of the Court Trustee's Office, two (2) PCNs to hire:

1. Shari Henson as a Full-time Secretary/Receptionist/Clerk effective November 17, 2008.
2. Angela Merriman as a Full-time Secretary/Receptionist/Clerk effective November 24, 2008.

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve both PCNs as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:55 a.m. Mr. Kramer requested fifteen (15) minutes of executive session, including Mr. Witte, to discuss non-elected personnel in the Public Works Department. Commissioner Terry made a motion to go into executive session from 10:55 a.m. to 11:10 a.m. as requested. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:25 a.m. Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Commission minutes taken by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Ron Loomis, Chairman

Duane Patrick, Vice-Chairman

Harris Terry, Commissioner

Attest: County Clerk
Susan R. Meng