

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
October 9, 2017

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Regular Meeting

9:00 a.m.

All Present

10:30 a.m. Work Session at Public Works

All Present

5:00 p.m. Private Donation Announcement, Lindsborg

All Present

Chairman Loomis opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. One item was added to the agenda for October 9, 2017: Discussion of concerns regarding a detour in Smoky Hill Township. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:00 a.m. during Public Input, Sheriff Montagne joined the meeting and updated Commissioners on the current inmate count and recent arrests.

Commissioner Becker made a motion to approve the minutes for October 2, 2017. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve checks and claims for October 9, 2017 and payroll for pay period ending October 7, 2017. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m. John Verssue, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to approve a Special Use Case (#SU2017-02) by EDF for the installation of a meteorological Tower in the A-1, Agricultural District, involving 158.1 acres; located in the NE ¼ of Section 25, Township 18, Range 4 West. Chairman Loomis called the hearing to order and asked Mr. Verssue to review the case, including the findings, factors and conditions. The case was unanimously approved by the Planning Board at their September 18, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Becker made a motion to approve the case and to sign Resolution 2017-09. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **Chairman Loomis voted aye. Commissioner Becker voted aye. Commissioner Linaweaver voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve a Special Use Case (#SU-2017-03) by EDF for the installation of a meteorological Tower in the A-1, Agricultural District involving 154.8 acres; located in the NE ¼ of Section 29, Township 18S, Range 2 West. Chairman Loomis called the hearing to order and asked Mr. Verssue to review the case, including the findings, factors and conditions. The case was unanimously approved by the Planning Board at their September 18, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the case and to sign Resolution 2017-10. Commissioner Becker seconded. **Chairman Loomis voted aye. Commissioner Becker voted aye. Commissioner Linaweaver voted aye.**

At 9:25 a.m., Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Megan Dieckmann as a Communications Technician (13A), effective October 9, 2017 to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:30 a.m., County Resident Gail Albrecht joined the meeting to discuss his concerns regarding the road conditions on the detour route which is in place during the bridge replacement project on Smoky Valley Road near 17th Avenue. Public Works Director, Tom Kramer also joined the meeting to discuss the concerns and other possible options for the detour. No official action was taken

Mr. Kramer presented a PCN to end the introductory period for Jason Christiansen, Maintenance Worker II (11F), effective September 24, 2017. Commissioner Becker made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager presented a PCN on behalf of the Sheriff's Department to hire Tyler Peterson as a Temporary Part-time Sheriff's Deputy (15C), effective October 4, 2017. Commissioner Becker made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented the previously approved 2018 BCBS Employee Health Insurance Policy with changes. It was a consensus among Commissioners to authorize signature on the policy as requested.

At 10:30 a.m., Commissioners recessed and reconvened at the Public Works Department for a work session. At 3:30 p.m., Commissioners recessed and reconvened at 5:00 p.m. at the Sundstrom Building in Lindsborg, KS, to attend the private donation announcement event. At 7:00 p.m., Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Ron Loomis, Chairman

Keith Becker, Vice Chairman

Linus Linaweaver, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk