

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 29, 2010
10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting
All Present

Chairman Patrick opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Three (3) items were added to the agenda for June 29, 2010: MASWU Landfill Permit Extension; Indigent Burial Funding; and Non-elected Personnel in the MVL Office. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input, Dianna Carter, as a public representative, extended an invitation to the Commissioners to attend the official groundbreaking event by the McPherson Housing Coalition and Mennonite Housing. The ceremony will take place Wednesday, June 30, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. on Avenue A near the new water tower.

At 10:00 a.m., Bill Ridge, MASWU, joined the meeting to request a 180-day extension of the CUP for the Sub-title D Municipal Solid Waste Landfill (Resolution #06-14). Mr. Ridge updated Commissioners on the status of the application to the State and gave notice of a public meeting to be held by KDHE Tuesday, July 20th at 7:00 p.m. at Central College. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the extension request as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:15 a.m., Derrick Foos, IT Coordinator, joined the meeting and requested ten (10) minutes of executive session, including Rick Witte, County Administrator, to discuss non-elected personnel in the IT Department. Commissioner Terry made a motion to go into executive session from 10:18 a.m. to 10:28 a.m. as requested. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session.

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the minutes of June 15, 2010 as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the minutes of June 22, 2010 as presented. Chairman Patrick seconded. **Commissioners Patrick and Terry voted aye. Commissioner Loomis abstained due to his absence at the June 22, 2010 meeting.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve checks and claims for June 29, 2010 and payroll for period ending June 26, 2010. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve adds and abates for June 25, 2010. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:35 a.m., Lorna Nelson, Old Mill Museum Director, joined the meeting to request selection of a bid to provide wiring and gas line upgrades for the 1879 School Building. Following a review of bids, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to select Pestinger's Heating and Cooling in an amount not to exceed \$3,744.00. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented information regarding the recent State discontinuance of a funding/assistance program providing for indigent burials. Previous State assistance was provided up to an amount not to exceed \$550.00 to qualifying cases. New guidelines have not yet been determined. Commissioner Terry made a motion to continue to follow the current State guidelines until a new plan is in place. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:50 a.m., Nancy Kessinger, Director of the Infant Toddler Center, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

1. A request for signature on two (2) grant agreements: a revised KDHE Infant-Toddler Services Program Universal Contract; and a revised Infant-Toddler Program Contract Attachment, which contains the contractual provisions specific to the local County program. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign both agreements as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**
2. A request for signature on the Infant Toddler Services American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Grant Agreement for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign the agreement as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**
3. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Elsbeth Kuhn as a Early Childhood Specialist (22A) effective July 1, 2010. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:10 a.m., Tom Kramer and Justin Mader, Public Works Department, joined the meeting with a request to purchase structural design and load rating software. Following discussion of software options and cost, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the purchase of Brass Software at an initial cost not to exceed \$7,000.00 and additional annual costs of \$4,000.00. The annual costs provide maintenance, support and updates. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.** Funding will be provided through the 2010 Public Works budget.

Mr. Witte presented on behalf of the County Treasurer, a PCN for a change in department of Shirley Bloomquist, from the Treasurer/Tax office to the MVL office as a part-time clerk (6A) effective June 27, 2010. Commissioner Terry made a motion to sign the PCN as corrected to specify part-time status for MVL rather than temporary/seasonal status for Treasurer/MVL. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioners held a discussion to determine the next course of action regarding the courthouse lighting project.

At 12:20 p.m., Chairman Patrick adjourned the meeting.

Commission minutes taken by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Duane J. Patrick, Chairman

Ron Loomis, Vice-Chairman

Harris Terry, Commissioner

Attest: County Clerk
Susan R. Meng