

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

For
May 14, 2013

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Regular Meeting

10:00 a.m.

All Present

Work Session at Public Works

11:45 a.m.

All Present

Chairman Loomis opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda for May 14, 2013. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 10:00 a.m., Tracy Presnell and Galen Swisher, McPherson residents, voiced concerns regarding the proposed Recreational Trails Act Bond Agreement. Both expressed dissatisfaction, claiming the Central Kansas Conservancy (CKC) has not followed state laws regarding fencing and related issues.

At 10:16 a.m., Neisha Dahlstrom, representing Circles of McPherson, joined the meeting to thank the Commissioners for their funding support of \$20,000.00 in 2012 and to request the same funding amount in their 2013 budget for the support of the program, which helps low-income families out of poverty. Brenda Sales, also representing Circles addressed the Commissioners and reviewed the program statistics and success rates. Following Ms. Sales, Rebecca Lewis joined the meeting and shared her personal story out of poverty and her role as a Circle Leader. No action was taken by Commissioners.

At 10:32 a.m., John Klenda, County Counselor, joined the meeting and requested ten (10) minutes of executive session for attorney client privilege and potential litigation matters. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to go into executive session from 10:32 a.m. to 10:42 a.m. as requested. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

Mr. Klenda introduced the proposed Kansas Recreational Trails Act Bond Agreement and clarified the purpose of the bond which is for the anticipated costs to cover the CKC duties (weed control, signage, etc.) on a portion of the trail that is now open to the public, approximately 6 miles. Following discussion, Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to table the item until additional information is obtained. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:50 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two items:

- A. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire David Shepherd as a Road Maintenance Worker I (6A) to fill a vacancy, effective date pending. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the PCN as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request for five (5) minutes in executive session to discuss non-elected personnel in the Public Works Department. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to go into executive session as requested, from 10:58 a.m. to 11:03 a.m. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**
- C. A request to approve filling a vacancy and a PCN to hire Chris Milleeson as a Road Maintenance Worker I (9D), effective May 28, 2013. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the PCN as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the minutes for May 7, 2013 as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.** Following the vote, a correction was noted. Commissioner Patrick modified his original motion to approve the minutes for May 7, 2013 as corrected. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve checks and claims for May 14, 2013 and payroll for pay period ending May 11, 2013. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve adds and abates for May 10, 2013. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:25 a.m., Commissioners recessed and reconvened at the Public Works Department to conduct a work session. At 3:45 p.m. Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Minutes taken by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Ron Loomis, Chairman

Duane J. Patrick, Vice Chairman

Linus Linaweaver, Commissioner

Abbey A. Heidebrecht
Commission Secretary