

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2016

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Regular Meeting
9:00 a.m.
Commissioners Linaweaver and Loomis - Present
Commissioner Becker - Absent

Chairman Linaweaver opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Becker was absent. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the agenda for December 12, 2016. Chairman Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

No one spoke during Public Input at 9:00 a.m.

At 9:10 a.m. Kaci Morales, Executive Director of McPherson Industrial Development Company, joined the meeting to request a ten-year tax abatement on behalf of Viega, LLC for the buildings portion of their upcoming expansion project. Eric Wicker, Director of Manufacturing for Viega, reported on the project including the plan to create 72 new jobs at the new McPherson facility. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2016-22, granting tax exemptions for Viega, LLC for building and improvements up to \$20,000,000.00 (100% for ten years) effective January 1, 2017. Chairman Linaweaver seconded. **Chairman Linaweaver voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye.**

At 9:35 a.m., John Verssue, Planning/Zoning/Environment Administrator, joined the meeting with two items:

- A. A request on behalf of EDF for the installation of a meteorological tower in the A-1 Agricultural District located at the N ½ mile of the NE ¼ of Section 4, Township 19 S, Range 3 W. Chairman Linaweaver called the public hearing for special use case 2016-04. Mr. Verssue reviewed the findings, factors and conditions regarding the case, which was previously approved unanimously by the Planning Board at their November 21, 2016 meeting. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Board and approve Resolution 2016-23 as presented. Chairman Linaweaver seconded. **Chairman Linaweaver voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye.**
- B. A request on behalf of EDF for the installation of a meteorological Tower at 2472 Pawnee Road, Canton, Kansas. Chairman Linaweaver call the public hearing for special use case 2016-05. Mr. Verssue reviewed the findings, factors and conditions regarding the case, which was previously approved unanimously by the Planning Board at their November 21, 2016 meeting. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Board and approve Resolution 2016-24 as presented. Chairman Linaweaver seconded. **Chairman Linaweaver voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve adds and abates for December 9, 2016. Chairman Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:30 a.m., DCF Representatives joined the meeting for a discussion with regard to leasing the ground floor of the County Building.

At 11:50 a.m., Chairman Linaweaver adjourned the meeting.

Linus Linaweaver, Chairman

Ron Loomis, Vice Chairman

ABSENT

Keith Becker, Commissioner

Abbey Heidebrecht, Recording Secretary