

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2018

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

10:45 a.m. Work Session at Public Works

All Present

Commissioner Becker opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the agenda for March 12, 2018. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne updated Commissioners on the weekly arrests and jail population numbers.

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the minutes for March 5, 2018 as corrected. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve checks and claims for March 12, 2018 and payroll for pay period ending March 10, 2018. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Kasi Morales, MIDC, joined the meeting to request a property tax abatement on behalf of Viega, LLC for the construction of a 60 million dollar building project on their property. The building will be utilized for producing Viega's copper fittings product line. Eric Wicker, Manufacturing Director for Viega, LLC, joined the meeting to report on the details regarding the costs and benefits. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve adds and abates for March 9, 2018. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:30 a.m., John Verssue, PZE Administrator, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

- A. A request to approve Case # SU 2018-01; an application for the installation of a Telecommunications Facility by Verizon Wireless, including a 250-foot tower in the A-1 Agricultural District near Groveland, KS. Chairman Becker opened the public hearing and asked Mr. Verssue to review the case including factors, findings and conditions. The case was unanimously approved by the Planning Board at their February 15, 2018 meeting. Following discussion, Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the case and sign Resolution #2018-06 as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Linaweaver voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve Case #SU2018-02; an application for the expansion of a public building in the R-V, Residential-Village District, by RFD #6, at 101 S. Main Street, Roxbury, KS. Chairman Becker opened the public hearing and asked Mr. Verssue to review the case including factors, finding and conditions. The case was unanimously approved the Planning Board at their February 15, 2018 meeting. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the case and sign Resolution #2018-07 as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Linaweaver voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye.**
- C. Discussion regarding a proposed vacation by Viega, LLC.

At 9:45 a.m., Fern Hess, Health Department Director, joined the meeting to request approval of 2019 Grant Applications to KDHE: Family Planning; Immunization Action Program; Public Health Emergency Preparedness; and State Formula. Following a review of the applications, Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to authorize Ms. Hess to submit the applications as corrected in a total requested amount of \$117,167.00. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:00 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to bid a milling project on Old Highway 81 from 1st Street in McPherson to Mohawk Road at an estimated cost of \$100,000. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to fill an upcoming Maintenance Worker vacancy. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager presented a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) on behalf of the Sheriff's Department to end the introductory period for Logan Plummer Deputy Sheriff (15E), effective February 25, 2018. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented a Resolution granting economic development tax incentives to RK Concrete Construction Inc., DBA S&R Warehouse. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign Resolution #2018-08 as requested. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Linaweaver voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to sign a Release of Homeowner Agreement on a SKEDD sponsored home for Henry and Dora Huber. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the recommendation of the RFD #6 Board to appoint Shawn Anderson as a board member to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Warren Unruh. The Board also recommended appointing current board member, Mark Wiebe as Chief. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:30 a.m., Commissioners recessed and reconvened at Public Works for a work session. During the work session, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve an auction bid for a 2000 Bomag Pneumatic Roller up to a total amount of \$12,647.00. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 3:00 p.m. Chairman Becker adjourned the meeting.

Minutes recorded & prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht

Keith Becker, Chairman

Linus Linaweaver, Vice Chairman

Ron Loomis, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk