

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
November 5, 2018

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

November 15, 2018

8:30 a.m. Vote Canvass - County Clerk's Office

All Present

Commissioner Becker opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the agenda for November 5, 2018. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne and Captain Blevins updated Commissioners on the current jail count and related statistics, as well as recent and upcoming department activities.

Sheriff Montagne presented a request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to end the introductory period for Terri Voth, Clerk II (8B), effective November 4, 2018. Commissioner Loomis 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 the proposed Resolution #2018-25 which declares a moratorium for the acceptance of applications for special use permits in connection with commercial wind energy projects. Following discussion, Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve and sign Resolution #2018-25 as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Linaweaver voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye.**

Nick Reinecker, Inman, KS, presented concerns under Public Input, regarding encryption of the new Emergency 911 Communications System and the resulting loss of transparency for public citizens.

Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion to approve the minutes for October 29, 2018. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:20 a.m., Fern Hess, County Health Department Director joined the meeting to request approval of:

- A. A PCN adjustment of the weekly working hours for Sierah Nordstrom, Full-time Office Clerk I, with a promotion to a WIC Clerk (9A) for 8 hours, and continuing as an Office Clerk I for the remaining 32 hours.
- B. A PCN adjustment to the weekly working hours for Hillery Rose, by reducing WIC Clerk hours from 16 to 8 hours per week, and increasing her Administrative Secretary duties from 24 to 32 hours per week.

Following discussion Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for the Chairman to sign both PCNs as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:35 a.m., Jennifer Foster, Court Services Administrator, joined the meeting to request approval of a new sound project for the courthouse main courtroom to improve sound quality and clarity. Ms. Foster presented a quote from Audio Acoustics for custom acoustic sound wall panels as well as a small powered speaker for a total amount of \$15,441.00 installed, including labor, 1-year warranty and freight. Ms. Foster also requested approval to purchase fabric, lining, fabrication and installation of cornices for each window in the Court room for a total cost of \$1,856.93. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the panels and speaker for a cost of \$15,441.00 as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken regarding the window cornices.**

At 9:45 a.m., Julie McClure, Emergency Management/Communications Director, joined the meeting with three items:

- A. A request to approve a PCN to end the introductory period for Tricia Warring, Communications Tech/QA (14G), effective November 4, 2018. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve PCNs to hire Erica Kruckenberg and Jacob Potter as new Communications Techs (13A), effective November 20, 2018, to fill vacancies. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCNs as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve checks and claims for November 5, 2018 ad payroll for pay period ending November 3, 2018. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented on behalf of the County Attorney, two promotion PCNs and one new hire PCN. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN for Laura Hendricks as a new Trial Assistant with an adjustment to the Grade/Step from 12B to a 10A, effective November 19, 2018 to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken regarding the promotion documents.**

Mr. Witte presented PCNs for approval on behalf of the County Treasurer to hire Rachel Johnson and Maureen Ensminger as Temporary/Seasonal Tax Clerks effective November 5, 2018. Commissioner Linaweaver made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCNs as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented the 2019 Indigent Defense Agreement which allows payment for attorneys and their representations in certain cases amounting to \$137,000.00 for calendar year 2019. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to sign the Document as presented. Commissioner Linaweaver seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:30 a.m., Commissioners recessed until November 15, 2018 when they reconvened at 8:30 a.m. in the County Clerk's office to canvass votes from the November 6, 2018 election. At 9:15 a.m., Chairman Becker adjourned the meeting.

Minutes recorded by Rick Witte.

Keith Becker, Chairman

Linus Linaweaver, Vice Chairman

Ron Loomis, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk