

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
April 1, 2019

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

April 2, 2019

7:00 p.m. Precinct Committee Meeting, Large Commission Meeting Room

All Present

Chairman Becker opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the agenda for April 1, 2019. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:10 a.m., Sheriff Montagne updated Commissioners on current inmate counts at the jail and department activities. He reported on a \$20,000 donation from HCI to the Sheriff's Department and requested approval to apply it toward the purchase/training/maintenance of a dog and a drone for department use. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the minutes for March 25, 2019. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Captain Blevins joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to end the introductory period for Matthew Nelson, Corporal Correctional Officer (13C), effective March 25, 2019. Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m., Kasi Morales, MIDC Executive Director, joined the meeting to present the Quarterly Report including updated information regarding labor data and statistics, retention/expansion activities, and recent business leads.

At 9:22 a.m., Jennifer Ellis, CASA and Judy Hanna, CASA Volunteer, joined the meeting to read, and request a signature on a Proclamation designating the month of April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the Proclamation as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:25 a.m., Jeff Butler, IT Coordinator, joined the meeting to request ten (10) minutes in executive session, including Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, to discuss non-elected Personnel in the IT department. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to go into executive session as requested. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

At 9:35 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

A. A request to hire temporary part-time seasonal summer Maintenance Workers. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to hire two (2) employees as requested. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

B. A request to begin the selection process to hire consultants to design two (2) bridge projects: #189160 and #050159. Following discussion, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to proceed with the hiring process as requested. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

C. A request to hire Kirkham Michael to design a replacement bridge rail for the damaged guard rail on bridge #220119 at 22nd Avenue at Iron Horse Road. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve adds and abates for March 29, 2019. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented a PCN on behalf of MCKIDS to change the work status for Vanessa Reece from exempt to hourly effective March 25, 2019. Commissioner Loomis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to adjust the effective date on an annual step increase PCN for Emily Yates, Communications Technician (151), to March 24, 2019. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

John Verssue and Carissa McCuen, Planning/Zoning/Environment Department, joined the meeting to update Commissioners on a current case regarding a septic tank replacement issue. No action was taken.

At 10:10 a.m. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, Commissioner Loomis and Chairman Becker attended a special Precinct Committee Meeting in the large Commission meeting room.

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Keith Becker, Chairman

Ron Loomis, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk