

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
July 20, 2020

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Regular Meeting

9:00 a.m.

Chairman Becker - Absent

July 21, 2020

Special CARES Funding Meeting

9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Loomis - Absent

July 23, 2020

Meeting with McPherson City at Municipal Building Regarding Trail Crossing

1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Loomis Absent

Vice Chairman Loomis opened the regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Becker was absent. One item was added to the agenda for July 20, 2020: KDHE Infant-Toddler Services Program Contract. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:00 a.m., Sheriff Montagne updated Commissioners on jail counts and department activities.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for July 17, 2020. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Janet Cagle, Director of Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections joined the meeting to request signature on the FY 2021 Adult Revised Behavioral Health Budget which was reduced by \$61,000 and now totals \$169,640.05. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Vice Chairman to sign the revised document as presented. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:20 a.m., Under Sheriff Christians joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to approve a bid from Hutton Facility Services to repair water damage to the basement of the 911 Emergency office and storage areas in an amount not to exceed \$7,040.00 plus sales tax. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request as presented. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve a bid from Hedlund Electric Inc. to replace/install new security lighting around the Law Enforcement Center (9 total lights) as well as replace the photo eye on an existing STL, and a new fixture on an existing RAB. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request as presented at a cost not to exceed \$5,605.00 including materials and labor. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:30 a.m., Julie McClure, Director of Emergency Management/Communications, joined the meeting to request approval of an extension to Resolution #2020-04, COVID Local Public Health Emergency for McPherson County, Kansas. The extension shall continue and remain in effect until rescinded. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to sign the document as presented, as a continuation of Resolution #2020-04. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:35 a.m., Jeff Butler, IT Coordinator, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to purchase backup services from Eagle Technologies. The bid includes a 36 month term at a cost of \$840.00 per month. Services to cover the Courthouse, Law Enforcement Center, Health Department and Public Works would provide backup management including software, updates, and retention of 18 virtual and physical servers within the County. Following discussion,

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request as presented. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

- B. A request to replace 4 Firewalls from CDWG for the following locations: County Building 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Public Works, Health Department, and the County Attorney's Office. The quote includes a Sonicwall NSA 2650 security appliance as well as software, services, and 24/7 support for three (3) years at a cost not to exceed a total of \$13,899.64. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the request as presented. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:50 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting to request approval to seek an Engineering Consultant for the ditch work along Cherokee Road east of Inman at the Blaze Fork Creek Crossing. Following discussion, it was a consensus among Commissioners to proceed with obtaining a bid for the consulting services and return to a future meeting for board approval.

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager presented the KDHE Infant-Toddler Services Program Contract for Early Intervention Services, with McPherson County designated as the lead agency until December 31, 2020. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to authorize Mr. Witte to sign the contract as presented. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte reviewed the proposed 2021 Budget and requested authorization to publish. The final budget hearing will take place August 10, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. during the regular Commission meeting. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to authorize Mr. Witte to publish the proposed budget as presented. Vice Chairman Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess until Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor meeting room of the County Building for a Special Public Information Meeting regarding CARES Funding. Commissioner Loomis was absent from the meeting. Following the special meeting, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess until Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. in the City Municipal Building to take part in discussion on a walking trail crossing Old 81 Highway at Northview. At 2:40 p.m. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn. Chairman Becker seconded. All voted aye. Commissioner Loomis was absent from the meeting.

Minutes prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht

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Keith Becker, Chairman

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Ron Loomis, Vice Chairman

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Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk

