

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
February 1, 2021

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

5:00 p.m. Meeting to review County archived files, Old Mill Museum - Lindsborg, KS

All Present

5:30 p.m. Work Session with Lindsborg City Commission & Officials - Sundstrom Conference Center, Lindsborg, KS

All Present

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Becker opened the regular meeting. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the agenda for February 1, 2021 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

Nick Reinecker, Inman, KS also joined Public Input and updated Commissioners regarding the cycle threshold rates for COVID testing and discussed the County/State mandatory mask mandates.

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes for January 25, 2021 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Shalei Shea, County Health Department Director, joined the meeting to request approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Sierra Behrens as a Public Health Nurse, LPN at a Grade 17 on the County wage scale, effective February 9, 2021. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.** Ms. Shea also presented an update regarding current COVID-19 case data within the County as well as the vaccine availability. She will be evaluating the move to Phase III, likely to be in place next week, and reviewed the Phase III conditions.

At 9:30 a.m., Under Sheriff Skyler Christians joined the meeting to request approval of bids to purchase four (4) new replacement patrol vehicles. Following questions and a review of bids from various dealerships, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the bids from Midway Motors for three (3) Dodge Durangos and one (1) Dodge Ram 1500 Pickup for a total cost of \$138,372.00 as presented. Trade-in allowance will be calculated and then applied to the purchase. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:42 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to approve a PCN for the promotion of Darren Moore to a Maintenance Worker III, effective February 7, 2021. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve the contract with Kirkham Michael & Associates for the engineering on Bridge #010290 located at Wheatridge Road and 1st Avenue. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the contract for engineering services at an estimated cost of \$24,000.00. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve accounts payable mini batches for February 1, 2021 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for January 29, 2021 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign a PCN from John Verssue, Planning/Zoning/Environment (PZE) Administrator, requesting that Jared Curtis be returned to Intern status in the PZE and Public Works departments, effective January 24, 2021. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to sign Resolution 2020-05 as presented, authorizing and approving the Neighborhood Revitalization Interlocal Agreement with the City of Moundridge, Kansas which was previously approved by the McPherson Board of County Commissioners on December 7, 2020. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve a Quit Claim Deed for Crestwood Memorial Park, Garden A, Lot 10, Spaces 5 and 6, for the sum of \$125.00 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At the request of Commissioner O'Dell, Commissioners toured the offices in the County Building.

At 11:30 a.m., Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to recess until 5:00 p.m. when they reconvened at the Old Mill Museum, Lindsborg for a review of the County archived files. At 5:25 p.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and directly reconvene at the Sundstrom Conference Center, to attend a work session with the City of Lindsborg Commissioners and Officials. At 6:20 p.m., Commissioner O'Dell excused himself from the meeting. At 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht.

Keith Becker, Chairman

David O'Dell, Vice Chairman

Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk