

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
March 1, 2021

March 1, 2021  
9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting  
All Present

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Becker opened the regular meeting. Two items were added to the agenda for March 1, 2021: Water line @ 4H Building/Grounds, and 911 Lease Payment. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

At 9:05 a.m., Sheriff Montagne presented a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to end the introductory period for Ryan Olbricht, Deputy, effective March 7, 2021. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:10 a.m., Janet Cagle, Director of Community Corrections joined the meeting to request approval of a PCN to hire Katie Gihring and an ISO I at the Newton office, effective March 15, 2021, to fill a vacancy. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m., Dan Schrag, Director of the Noxious Weed Department, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to purchase chemicals for the spring spraying season. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the purchase from Van Diest Supply Co. in a total amount not to exceed \$22,952.08. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve the 2020 Annual Weed Eradication Progress Report. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to sign the report as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the minutes for February 22, 2021 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for February 26, 2021 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioners reviewed the current water line locations at the 4H building and grounds. Following discussion it was a consensus among Commissioners to obtain a proposal to install new water lines.

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to pay off the remaining balance of \$2.5 million plus interest, on the 911 system lease. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht.

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Keith Becker, Chairman

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David O'Dell, Vice Chairman

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Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk