

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
November 22, 2021

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Regular Meeting
9:00 a.m.
All Present

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda for November 22, 2021 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. All voted aye.

During Public Input at 9:05 a.m., Sheriff Jerry Montagne joined the meeting and updated Commissioners on current jail counts and recent department activities

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the minutes for November 15, 2021 as amended. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:05 a.m. John Hawk, MASWU, joined the meeting with a request to modify the operating plan for their application to KDHE for a Solid Waste Landfill Permit. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign both the Solid Waste Management Plan Consistency statement and the Zoning or Land Use Consistency statement as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:20 a.m., Under Sheriff Skyler Christians joined the meeting to request to purchase a Bouncing Ball Imaging Tactical Drone Camera from ABM Supply, LLC. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the purchase not to exceed a total amount of \$4,144.90 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:20 a.m., Brian Bina, County Counselor, joined the meeting and requested twenty (20) minutes of executive session, including Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager, for attorney/client privilege and ongoing litigation matters facing the County. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to go into executive session as requested. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve adds, abates, and escapes for November 19, 2021 as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for approval the final 2021 appropriations to the Lindsborg Old Mill and Swedish Heritage Museum, Inc. in the recommended amount of \$36,000 from the special parks and recreation fund. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the appropriations as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:55 a.m. Counselor Bina presented a Third Addendum, to modify a certain "Settlement Agreement" entered into April 30, 2002, by and between the Board of County Commissioners and the National Cooperative Refinery Association, now CHS. The terms and provisions of the settlement agreement shall be effective for the 2023 through 2032 tax years with regard to the subject property. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2021-27 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

At 10:01 a.m., Counselor Bina presented the proposed Resolution 2021-26, amending and restating provisions for the County Planning Board; prescribing the number, qualifications, and manner of appointments of its members; describing its powers and duties; redesignating it as the Board of Zoning Appeals and providing for the expenses of its operation. Comments were shared by several current Board members. Following discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2021-26 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted nay. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye. Motion passed.**

At 10:20 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. Discussion regarding the purchase of a new shop truck. Following a review of bids, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2022 Ford F550 for an amount not \$171,382.00 from Master Truck and Equipment as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to purchase steel to repair the bed floor on truck #47. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the purchase in an amount not to exceed \$3,138.56 from Salina Steel Supply, Inc. as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:40 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to go into executive session for thirty (30) minutes, including Mr. Witte, for non-elected personnel in the Planning/Zoning/Environment Department. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.** At 11:10 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion for an additional twenty (20) minutes of executive session. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.** At 11:30 a.m., Commissioner O'Dell made a motion for an additional five (5) minutes of executive session. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

At 11:35 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess and reconvene at 12:40 p.m. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 1:00 p.m. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to go into executive session for thirty (30) minutes, including Mr. Witte, for non-elected personnel in the Planning/Zoning/Environment Department. Commissioner Kuser seconded. **All voted aye. No action was taken in executive session.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to authorize Chairman Becker to approve the accounts payables for November 29, 2021 and payroll for pay period ending November 27, 2021, as there will be no regular Commission meeting on November 29, 2021. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 2:09 p.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

Minutes prepared by Abbey Heidebrecht

Keith Becker, Chairman

David O'Dell, Vice Chairman

Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk