

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 21, 2006
10:00 A.M. REGULAR MEETING
ALL PRESENT

One item was added to the agenda: Consulting services for Planning and Zoning Board By-Laws. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the February 21, 2006 agenda as amended. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

No one spoke during Public Input Session

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the February 15, 2006 minutes. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve checks and claims for February 17, 2006. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve adds and abates and the landfill register of February 17, 2006. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m. Dave Bohnenblust, Public Works Director, joined the meeting to request that he be appointed as the Interim Planning and Zoning Administrator effective immediately, until a new permanent Administrator is hired and begins employment. The recommendation to appoint an interim Administrator was made by the Bickley Foster consulting firm, which has been providing services for the Planning and Zoning Department. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:15 a.m. Dianna Carter, County Appraiser, and Kevin Beakey, GIS Coordinator, joined the meeting to discuss the ImageAmerica digital photography of McPherson County. Control point markings throughout the county have been completed and the images will be collected on Wednesday, February 22, 2006. Images/maps will be available and delivered to the county within 45 days of the collection date.

At 10:18 a.m. Mr. Bohnenblust, Interim Planning and Zoning Administrator, returned to request consulting services for the Planning and Zoning Board, from Bickley Foster, to review and re-write current Planning and Zoning By-Laws where necessary, in order to meet state statutes. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** Mr. Bohnenblust requested ten minutes in executive session, from 10:28 a.m. to 10:38 a.m. to include Mr. Witte to discuss non-elected personnel in Planning and Zoning. Commissioner Terry made a motion to go to executive session as requested. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** The Commissioners returned to open session at 10:38 a.m. No action was taken during executive session.

At 10:38 Dillard Webster, Emergency Management Director, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

- A. A request to approve and sign the Federal Fiscal Year 2006 Application for Emergency Planning Grant (EMPG). The Grant would provide funding of a portion of local wages of the Emergency Management Department director and staff.

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign the application as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

- B. A report on the anticipated implementation of the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) program, which is pending contract negotiations over scheduling of payments between Logysis and government agencies. Commissioners will be up-dated on future progress of the program as information becomes available to Mr. Webster.
- C. A report on the audit conducted on Emergency Management equipment purchases made over the past four (4) years, which were funded by the grant program. All audited equipment items passed with 100% compliance.

Mr. Webster also added to the discussion of the current countywide burn ban. A rural fire ignited by careless action was reported within the past week north of Canton, KS. Commissioner Patrick stressed the importance of responsibility on the part of citizens especially with continuing dry conditions. Following discussion, Commissioner Terry made a motion to continue the burn ban for an additional week and to review the issue at the next meeting. Chairman Schroeder seconded. **All voted aye.**

11:05 a.m. Commissioners recessed until 12:00 p.m. to attend a Work Session with the McPherson City Commission at the Park Department Building. No action was taken during the meeting. At 1:40 p.m. Commissioners recessed until 1:50 p.m. to attend a work session at the Public Works Department. No action was taken at the meeting. At 4:05 p.m. Commissioners Patrick and Schroeder recessed until 6:30 p.m. to attend a County Extension/4-H Building Committee meeting at the County Extension Office. No action was taken at the meeting. At 8:00 p.m. Commissioners recessed until Thursday, February 23, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. to attend County Government Day at the McPherson County Courthouse. No action was taken at the event. At 1:00 p.m. Commissioners recessed until Friday, February 24, 2006 to attend the 9:00 a.m. Township Meeting at the Holiday Manor. Commissioner Terry left the meeting at 1:00 p.m. At 2:10 p.m. Commissioner Patrick made a motion to adjourn. Chairman Schroeder seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken during the meeting.

Commission Minutes taken by Abbey A. Heidebrecht

Don L. Schroeder, Chairman

Duane J. Patrick, Vice-Chairman

Harris G. Terry, Commissioner

Attest: County Clerk
Susan R. Meng