

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

January 16, 2007
10:00 a.m. REGULAR MEETING
All Present

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the agenda for January 16, 2007. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

No one spoke during Public Input at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the minutes for January 9, 2007 as corrected. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve distribution, payroll for January 19, 2007, and the release of a check as requested by the Appraiser's Office in order to purchase pre-paid postage for property statements. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve adds and abates for January 16, 2007, and eight (8) motor vehicle refunds. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m. Linda Paul, Register of Deeds, joined the meeting to request the approval of a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) for the promotion of Bonnie Hopkins, Part-time Document Imager, to an 8B effective January 14, 2007. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the PCN with an amendment increasing working hours to 24 hours maximum per week. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator presented for signature, the 2007 Agreement between McPherson County and the McPherson County Council on Aging, Inc. According to the Agreement, McPherson County will provide a total of \$234,000.00 to be divided into monthly distributions to the Council on Aging, providing financial support to County Senior Centers. Commissioner Terry made a motion to sign the Agreement as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented the HOME Grant Progress Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2006. A total amount of \$14,140.16 was disbursed during the quarter, which was utilized for housing rehabilitation projects in McPherson County. Commissioner Terry made a motion for the chairman to sign the report as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:35 a.m. Gerry Bley, Interim Director of Public Works, joined the meeting with two items:

- A. A request for fifteen (15) minutes of executive session, from 10:38 a.m. to 10:53 a.m., including Mr. Witte, to discuss non-elected personnel in the Public Works Department. Commissioner Terry made a motion to go to executive session as requested. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session.
- B. A request to approve the bid advertisement for the 2007 roadway maintenance materials and hauling of asphalt oils. Patricia Wachtel joined

the meeting to present details of the bids and answered questions from Commissioners. Funding for the purchase would be provided through the 2007 Public Works budget. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:00 a.m. Jennifer Foster, Interim Director of HMC Community Corrections, joined the meeting with two items:

- A. A request for approval of a PCN to hire, per recommendation of the Advisory Board, Brad Leners, as Director of Harvey/McPherson Counties Community Corrections at a S27B effective February 12, 2007. Mr. Leners would be eligible for a wage adjustment (27C) following a 6-month probation period, and an additional wage adjustment (27D) following a year of employment. No additional wage adjustments would be made for another four-year period of employment. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the PCN request as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve a PCN to provide a temporary wage adjustment, in the additional amount of \$250.00 per pay period, to Jim Novak, ISO II, for additional employment services effective January 1, 2007. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for signature a letter from McPherson County Commissioners to Farm Services, authorizing Mr. Witte, as County Administrator, to sign for the Board of Commissioners in regard to agricultural land owned by McPherson County that is being leased to individual farmers. Commissioner Loomis made a motion for Commissioners to sign the letter as requested. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte noted that discussion on potential land acquisition issues would take place at a later date.

At 11:45 a.m., Chairman Patrick adjourned the meeting.

Commission Minutes taken by Abbey A. Heidebrecht

Duane J. Patrick, Chairman

Harris G. Terry, Vice-Chairman

Ron Loomis, Commissioner

Attest: County Clerk
Susan R. Meng