

## BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 6, 2007  
10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting  
All Present

Chairman Patrick opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the agenda for March 6, 2007.  
Commissioner Terry 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 February 27, 2007.  
Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve checks and claims for March 6, 2007.  
Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator, requested five (5) minutes in executive session, from 10:10 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. to discuss non-elected personnel at the Old Mill Museum.  
Commissioner Terry made a motion for Commissioners and Mr. Witte to go to executive session as requested. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session.

At 10:15 a.m., Angela Krummel-Buzard, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting to present a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application (# 2007-01), which was unanimously recommended for approval by the Planning Board. The applicant, Brad Spaich, owner of United Towers, requested approval to construct and establish a 330-foot communication tower at 2531 Hwy. 56, Canton, KS. Chairman Patrick conducted the hearing, which included a presentation of the case and its conditions by Ms. Krummel-Buzard. Following discussion, Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve Resolution #07-04 approving a CUP for the establishment of a 330-foot communication tower and accessory structures in the Agricultural Zoning District on certain lands located in McPherson County, Kansas, under the authority granted by the Zoning Regulations of the County. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **Chairman Patrick voted aye. Commissioner Loomis voted aye. Commissioner Terry voted aye.**

At 10:25 a.m., Dillard Webster, Director of Emergency Management, joined the meeting to request approval and signature on a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to hire Amy Magner as a Communications Tech (12A) effective March 12, 2007. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.** Mr. Webster updated Commissioners on current Emergency Management Department projects including re-banding, and the progress of the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) training.

At 10:40 a.m. Chairman Patrick began discussion of the Old Mill Purchase Proposal by reviewing the State regulations dealing with the sale of County owned real estate valued over \$50,000.00. Commissioners Terry and Loomis made initial comments concerning their individual views on the issue. Chairman Patrick allowed those in attendance to share their thoughts, ideas, and concerns. Comments were made by John Magnuson, Mayor of the City of Lindsborg, Lindsborg City Council members, several citizens from the City of Lindsborg, Martin Yeager, representative for the potential purchaser, Lorna Nelson, Old Mill Director, and Dorothy Runbeck Stout, Columbia Missouri, who was one of the original donors of the Old Mill and it's property. It was the consensus of the Commissioners that the Old Mill and its property are not for sale. Commissioners stressed their desire that the residents, city officials and Old Mill personnel work together to make improvements to the existing facility creating more of an attraction to increase tourism in Lindsborg.

At 11:50 a.m. Commissioners recessed until 12:00 p.m. to attend a meeting with McPherson County Department Heads at the Pear Tree Restaurant. At 2:00 p.m. Chairman Patrick adjourned the meeting.

Commission Minutes taken by Abbey A. Heidebrecht

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Duane J. Patrick, Chairman

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Harris G. Terry, Vice-Chairman

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Ron Loomis, Commissioner

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Attest: County Clerk  
Susan R. Meng