

BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 27, 2007
10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting
All Present

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

Two items were added to the agenda for April 3, 2007: Mileage reimbursement; and Gerry Bley with KDOT bridge contract. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

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

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the minutes for March 20, 2007. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the minutes for March 27, 2007. Chairman Patrick seconded. **Chairman Patrick and Commissioner Loomis voted aye. Commissioner Terry abstained due to his absence at the March 27 meeting.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve checks and claims for March 27, 2007. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m., Della Meier, representing the Friends of Maxwell Scenic Byway Steering Committee, joined the meeting to request a letter of recommendation from McPherson County to designate a 54-mile Prairie Trail Scenic Byway, beginning at U.S. Hwy. 56 and 27th Ave. at Canton, north to Roxbury, west on Smoky Valley Road to U.S. Hwy. 81 north to K.S. Hwy. 4 at Lindsborg, west to K.S. Hwy. 141, then north to the T intersection of K.S. Hwy 140. Following a presentation of the Corridor Management Plan by Ms. Meier, and discussion, it was the consensus of Commissioners to further investigate State regulations on existing scenic byways and place the item on the April 17, 2007 agenda for further consideration.

At 10:40 a.m. Angela Krummel-Buzard, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting with three (3) items:

1. A request to approve Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 2007-2, an application for the establishment of a construction business office and shop with a lean-to storage on approximately 5.18 acres at 1609 Cimarron Road in the A-1 zoning district. The Planning Board recommended the approval of the CUP at their March 19, 2007 meeting. Following a presentation of the

case and its conditions, Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign Resolution #07-05 as requested. Commissioner Terry seconded. **Chairman Patrick voted aye, Commissioner Loomis voted aye, Commissioner Terry voted aye.**

2. A request to approve and sign Resolution #07-06 approving and adopting by reference, subdivision regulations of McPherson County, Kansas. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve the resolution as requested. Commissioner Terry seconded. **Chairman Patrick voted aye, Commissioner Loomis voted aye, Commissioner Terry voted aye.**
3. A request to approve and sign Resolution #07-07, amending the zoning regulations of McPherson County as originally adopted by resolution #95-14, as amended. Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve and sign the Resolution as requested. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.** Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign Article 13 Severability and Effective Date (13-1) as requested. Chairman Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Gerry Bley, Interim Public Works Director, joined the meeting to request approval to award the bid for work on Project # 59 C-3898-01 to L&M Contractors, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$227,325.05. The County will provide an additional estimated amount of \$48,000.00 in matching funds as a part of the contract commitment to the project. Commissioner Terry made a motion to sign the contract as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Loomis made a motion to approve adds and abates, and landfill for March 30, 2007. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator, presented for signature a letter of endorsement of the application by the State of Kansas for the Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development (WIRED) Grant to the US Department of Labor. According to the letter, the initiative “encourages coordination and alignment of existing resources being invested in the South Central Kansas region for economic development, workforce development, education, and training to focus on innovations driven by the emerging cluster in advanced composites materials and polymers.” Commissioner Terry made a motion for the Chairman to sign the letter as requested. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented for consideration, increasing the mileage allowance for County business related travel to meet the state allowance of 43 cents /mile. Commissioner Loomis made a motion stating that McPherson County will follow state guidelines for all future mileage reimbursement. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte presented a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) for a temporary change in work status in the Public Works Department effective March 26, 2007. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve and sign the PCN as presented. Commissioner Loomis seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 11:40 a.m. Commissioners recessed to attend the Annual Pioneer Luncheon at McPherson College. At 1:30 p.m. Commissioner 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