

## BOARD OF MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 22, 2008

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

All Present

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

Two items were added to the agenda for July 22, 2008: HOME Grant Quarterly Progress Report, and Public Works bid advertisement request. Paul Dahlberg removed himself from the agenda regarding the Swedish Art Pavilion.

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda as amended.

Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:00 a.m., during Public Input, Commissioner Patrick gave a brief report on the NACO Convention which took place July 13 -15, 2008 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve the minutes for July 8, 2008.

Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:10 a.m., Mickey Stump, Community Corrections, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

1. Request to approve Personnel Change Notices (PCNs) to end the probation status of Amber Stansbury, Secretary/House Arrest Monitor (S13B), Cary Salas, Support Worker (S13B), and Debra Davis, Support Worker (S13B), all effective July 14, 2008. A request was also made to approve a PCN to hire Laura Bownds as an ISO I (S22A), effective July 23, 2008 to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the PCNs as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**
2. Request to approve the following four (4) JJA Service Prevention Grant Awards: Communities in Schools of Harvey County, Inc. in an amount limited to \$15,270.00; Big Brothers Big Sisters of Harvey County in an amount limited to \$9,025.00; Big Brothers Big Sisters of McPherson County in an amount limited to \$6245.00; CASA, A Voice for Children in an amount limited to \$7,635.00. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the Grant Agreements as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Ms. Stump also mentioned that Community Corrections has recently downsized a Support Worker position at the Newton Office.

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve checks and claims for July 22, 2008, and payroll for July 18, 2008. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Patrick made a motion to approve adds and abates for July 18, 2008. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:30 a.m., Tom Kramer, Public Works Director, joined the meeting to request approval to advertise for bids for bridge replacement (#103090), on Dakota Road between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenues. Commissioner Terry made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 10:45 a.m., Lorna Nelson, Old Mill Museum Director, joined the meeting to inform and update Commissioners on a letter she received from the Mingenback Foundation stating that the match requirement for the grant funding for the Depot painting project has been met. The full grant will be awarded and may be applied toward the Depot painting project only. It was the consensus among Commissioners that Museum staff and volunteers be utilized for the project rather than hiring a contractor.

Discussion also took place regarding the display of the American and Swedish flags at the Swedish Pavilion. It was a consensus among Commissioners that Ms. Nelson purchase a Swedish flag, of the same dimensions as the existing American flag, to be flown for special events.

Rick Witte, County Administrator, presented for signature, the KHRC HOME Grant Quarterly Report for the period ending June 30, 2008. Amount disbursed this quarter was \$26,036.80. Commissioner Patrick made a motion for the Chairman to sign the report as presented. Commissioner Terry seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Terry made a motion for the County to provide a match in the amount of \$39,800.00 for the new 2008 HOME Grant. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.**

Mr. Witte requested ten (10) minutes of executive session, including Jill Brunzell, Emergency Management, and himself, to discuss non-elected personnel in Emergency Management. Commissioner Terry made a motion to go into executive session as requested from 11:10 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session.

At 11:20 a.m., Commissioner Terry made a motion to go into executive session for twenty (20) minutes, from 11:20 a.m. to 11:40 a.m. including Mr. Witte and Carolyn Conrardy, Emergency Management, to discuss non-elected personnel in Emergency Management. Commissioner Patrick seconded. **All voted aye.** No action was taken in executive session.

At 11:45 a.m., Commissioners recessed until 1:00 p.m. when they reconvened at the Commission meeting room to conduct interviews for the positions of Emergency Management Director and Planning and Zoning Administrator.

It was a consensus among Commissioners to extend an offer of employment to Darren Frazier for Director of the 911 Communications Center position. Additional action will be taken at the next regular Commission meeting.

At 4:30 p.m. Chairman Loomis adjourned the meeting.

Commission minutes taken by Abbey Heidebrecht.

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Ron Loomis, Chairman

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Duane Patrick, Vice-Chairman

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Harris Terry, Commissioner

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Attest: County Clerk  
Susan R. Meng