

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

May 19, 2015

The Board of County Commissioners, two members and the County Clerk present, met in regular session at 9:00 AM. Commissioner McManus was absent.

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Brown.

INVOCATION: Reverend Daniel Knight, Bible Baptist Church, Coffeyville

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Rau.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve the agenda as amended.. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rau.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve invoices in the amount of - \$288,124.45as presented by the County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve the minutes of May 12, 2014 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to recess to Executive Session at 9:03 AM to return at 9:13 AM to discuss non-elected personnel with the Board present. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

Returned to session at 9:13 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS – RACES OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

Emergency Preparedness Director Jim Miller introduced Mr. Joe Palmer to the Board. Mr. Miller recommended Mr. Palmer to serve as RACES Officer for Montgomery County. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve the recommendation of the Emergency Preparedness Director and appoint Mr. Joe Palmer as Montgomery County RACES Officer. The appointment will be for the period of May 29, 2014 through May 31, 2015. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

RES. NO. 14-69

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT – EMPLOYEE STATUS CHANGE – REQUEST TO HIRE PART-TIME EMPLOYEE – IT POSITION:

Sheriff's Administrative Assistant Liz Schwatken met with the Board to present Employee Status Change on a resignation. She also requested approval to hire Diana George as a part-time in the Coffeyville Office registering offenders. Approval was given to hire the part-time employee.

A proposal from K-Tech Systems, Independence, KS was presented for Commissary Kiosk Connections in the Department of Corrections. The proposal is for a total of \$4,792.00 for equipment, labor and all necessary for installation and a one year warranty. The system is for the DOC Inmate Commissary through CBM and requires these new Kiosks be installed for automated ordering directly by inmates. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve the proposal from K-Tech Systems, Independence, KS for the installation of Kiosks for the Department of Corrections Inmate Commissary in the amount of \$4,792.00 with \$3,000.00 to be paid for County General Capital Outlay and \$1,792 from Special VIN Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

RES. NO. 14-70

Information was presented with a comparison of the cost for an IT Administrator for the Sheriff's Office and Department of Corrections and entering into an agreement for IT services to be provided by Huber and Associates, of Jefferson City, MO. Their departments are already in contract with Huber and Associates for their reporting software systems. The cost would be less money to hire the company than to pay salary and benefits, the savings would be approximately \$65,888 annually compared to salary and benefits of \$67,475 annually. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve the request of the Sheriff's Department to enter into an agreement with Huber and Associates of Jefferson City, MO for IT services for the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department and Montgomery County Department of Corrections at an annual cost of \$65,888.00 to be paid monthly with the contract stating a 30 day cancellation notice with no unpaid balance due. A budget maintenance line item adjustment will be made to the Sheriff's 2014 and 2015 budget with an increase totaling \$33,029.80 for both years. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

RES. NO. 14-71

PUBLIC WORKS:

Public Works Coordinator Robert Bever presented the weekly written report. The following items were discussed:

1. Road and Bridge Balance sheet for April 2014 –
2. Rock Report for April 2014 –
3. Requested approval to replace the power washer at the County Shop- The present washer is 15 years old and the cost to replace is is \$6,950. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve the purchase of a power washer for the County Shop at a cost of \$6,950.00. Debit Road and Bridge. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

RES. NO. 14-72

4. Requested approval to bid rebar at an estimated cost of \$18,000 to \$20,000. The Board approved the request.
5. Noxious Weed Balance sheet for April 2014 –
6. Requested approval to bid chemicals for Noxious Weed - The Board approved the request.
7. Sewer District No. 2 Balance Sheet for April 2014 –
8. Discussion with the Sewer District No. 2 Advisory Board - Those attending from the Advisory Board were Vincent Thompson, Pat Tucker, Kenneth Weaver, Harlan McDow, and Mina Watts. Representing the County was Jim Wright and Robert Bever.

Mr. Thompson spoke on behalf of the District and told the Board they has been no response from the City of Independence regarding the rates being charged by the City. The District has been working on this since late August. Letters have been sent to Independence City Manager and the Independence City Clerk with no response.

The Advisory Board is requesting approval to file a claim and proceed with a lawsuit to settle this matter. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approved the request by the Sewer District No. 2 Advisory Board to proceed with legal action to settle sewer rate charges to Montgomery County Sewer District No. 2 by the City of Independence. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

RES. NO. 14-73

9. Reported on asphaltting being done within the county –
10. A signage policy for County right-of-way and County property will be sent to Paul Kritz for his approval –
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to recess Executive Session at 10:00 AM to return at 10:15 AM to discuss non-elected personnel regarding the GIS Department with the Board and Public Works Coordinator present. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

Returned to session at 10:15 AM stating no decisions made and no action taken.

SHERIFF ROBERT DIERKS – TRIPLE A ALLIED GROUP TRAFFIC AWARD FOR YEAR 2013:

Mr. Jim Hanni, representing Triple A Allied Group and Mr. Daniel Corp, representing Kansas Department of Transportation met to present the 2013 Traffic Award to the Montgomery County Sheriff, representing the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department. Montgomery County was one of 16 awards presented to law enforcement agencies in the state of Kansas for 2013.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Cereal Malt Beverage License for Kelli-Mart, Elk City – Approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:50 AM

ACTION: *Motion by Commissioner Rau, seconded by Commissioner Brown.
ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Absent
Commissioner Rau - Yes*

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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FRED BROWN, Chairman

LARRY McMANUS, Member

LEON RAU, Member

ATTEST:

County Clerk