

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

January 12, 2015

The Board of County Commissioners, three members and the County Clerk present, met in regular session at 9:00 AM.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Brown.

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Rau.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner McManus.

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**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

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

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

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**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve invoices in the amount of - \$279,794.08, \$75,062.69 and \$7,929.31as presented by the County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Rau to approve the minutes of January 5, 2015 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION – COUNTY TREASURER AND COUNTY CLERK – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to recess to Executive Session at 9:05 AM to return at 9:15 AM with the Board, County Treasurer and County Clerk present to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rau.*

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

Returned to session at 9:15 AM with a motion by Commissioner Brown to extend the session until 9:25 AM with the Board present. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

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

Returned to session at 9:25 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

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**SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT – POSITION CHANGE:**

Sheriff Robert Dierks, Administrative Assistant Liz Schwatken and Dispatch Becky Dye met with the Board to request approval to realign job duties and eliminate one records position and add one position in dispatch. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the request by the Sheriff’s Department to realign job duties and eliminate one records position and add one position in the Dispatch Department. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rau.*

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

*RES. NO. 15-05*

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**PUBLIC WORKS:**

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

1. Sewer District No. 2 – Rate increase to be published for public hearing on January 26, 2015  
Approved by the Board –
2. Code update for Sewer District No. 2 – The Sewer Board has completed a revised Sanitary Sewer Code for the Commission’s review and will be sent to Gary Hanson Law Firm for review before replacing the previous resolution - Mr. Vince Thompson and Mr. Kenneth Weaver were present at the Commission meeting representing the Sewer District Board.

The Sewer District Board will be in contact with Bartlett & West, Inc on an agreement for professional services related to the analysis of rates being charged by the City of Independence to the District.

Commissioner Rau thanked Mr. Thompson and all the Sewer District Board Members for their services. Mr. Thompson also thanked the Board for their cooperation with the newly organized Sewer District Board and all the help the county has given.

3. Balance sheet for Road and Bridge for December 2014 –
4. Discussed replacing folding tables in the basement due to age and damage. The approximate cost will be \$1,700.00. Mr. Bever will return to the Board with the exact number and cost-
5. Three desks from the Appraiser’s Office will be placed for sealed bid to the employees –
6. Requested approval to install flush kits on 16 units will be installed in the Judicial Center and Courthouse at a cost per unit of \$295. The Board approved the request.

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Chairman Brown presented a plaque in appreciation for services to Montgomery County as County Commissioner District No. 1 to outgoing Commissioner Leon Rau.

The Board recessed at 9:45 AM to return to session at 10:00 AM for the Reorganization of the Board.

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The Board reconvened at 10:00 AM with Ryan York sworn in by the Montgomery County Clerk as County Commissioner District No. 1.

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The first item of new business:

**Election of Chairman for 2015 sessions –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to elect Commissioner Fred Brown as Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for the year 2015. Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

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**Holiday Schedule for 2015 –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus that the following holidays be adopted for 2015.*

Martin Luther King’s Birthday	(Monday)	January 19, 2015
President’s Day	(Monday)	February 16, 2015
Good Friday	(Friday)	April 3, 2015
Memorial Day	(Monday)	May 25, 2015
Independence Day	(Observed on Friday)	July 3, 2015
Labor Day	(Monday)	September 7, 2015
Columbus Day	(Monday)	October 12, 2015
Veteran’s Day	(Wednesday)	November 11, 2015
Thanksgiving Day	(Thursday)	November 26, 2015
Day after Thanksgiving	(Friday)	November 27, 2015
Christmas Eve	(Thursday)	December 24, 2015
Christmas Day	(Friday)	December 25, 2015
New Years Day	(Friday)	January 1, 2016

\*The County offices will close at noon on December 31, 2015 for auditing case purposes.

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.*

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

RES. NO. 15-07

**Appointment of Official County Newspaper –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner York to appoint the Coffeyville Journal as the Official County Newspaper for 2015. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

RES. NO. 15-08

**Waiver of Governmental Accounting Procedures (GAAP) for 2015 –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve the waiver of GAAP (Governmental Accounting Procedures) for Montgomery County for the year 2015.*

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

RES. NO. 15-09

**Approval of Invocation Schedule –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the Invocation Schedule for 2015 with additions of Churches and Ministers throughout the year. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

**Appointment of Department Heads –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to table the appointment of Department Heads until January 26, 2015 meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

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**REORGANIZATION OF BOARD (Continued):**

**Appointment of County Coroner, County Counselor and County In-House Auditor –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to appoint the following:*

*County Coroner – Dr. Gregory Mears  
County Counselor – Paul Kritz,  
County In-House Auditor – Laverne Strecker*

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

*RES. NO. 15-10*

**Appointment to the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Board –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner York to appoint Commissioner Larry McManus to represent Montgomery County on the SEK Regional Planning Board (Southeast Kansas Regional Planning) for 2015. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

*RES. NO. 15-11*

**Appointment to the Solid Waste Committee –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to appoint Commissioner Ryan York to represent Montgomery County on the Montgomery County Solid Waste Committee for 2015. Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

*RES. NO. 15-12*

**Appointment to the Juvenile Detention Board, Girard –**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to appoint Commissioner Larry McManus to represent Montgomery County on the Juvenile Detention Board, Girard, KS for 2015. Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes*

*RES. NO. 15-13*

**Appointments to the GIS, LEPC, RCND, Council on Aging and Montgomery County Economic Development committees were as follows:**

GIS Committee	Commissioner Larry McManus
Local Environmental Protection Committee	Commissioner Ryan York
Resource Conservation & Development Committee	Commissioner Ryan York
Council on Aging            Advisory Board	Commissioner Fred Brown
Montgomery County Action Council	All Commission Board Members

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**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:**

1. Indigent Attorney Contracts – 2015

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner York to table the Indigent Attorney Contract decisions until January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes

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**OTHER BUSINESS (Continued):**

2. Executive Session – Non-elected Personnel – County Treasurer and County Clerk –

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to recess to Executive Session at 10:15 AM to return at 10:25 AM with the Board, County Treasurer and County Clerk present to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York – Yes

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

3. Register of Deeds Monthly Report for December, 2014 -  
4. County Clerk’s Monthly Report for December 2014 –  
5. Letter from Montgomery County Chronicle thanking for the opportunity to serve as the official county paper for 2014 -

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**ADJOURNMENT: 10:35 AM**

**ACTION:** Motion by Commissioner McManus, seconded by Commissioner Rau.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Brown - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
Commissioner York - Yes

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