BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES

October 23, 2017

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: Reverend Francis Aeschliman, Wesleyan Church, Independence

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

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AGENDA APPROVAL:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner York.

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

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APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve invoices in the amount of $15,500.00 (Emergency Management), $10,000.00 (Postage) and $125,003.96 (Prepays) as presented by the County Clerk’s office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner York.

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

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the minutes of October 16, 2017 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner York.

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

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COUNTY TREASURER – TAX SALE:

County Treasurer Nancy Clubine met with the Board for requesting a resolution to order the County Counselor to institute an action for the foreclosure and sale of such real estate. The following action was taken:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner McManus as follows:

WHEREAS, Chapter 79, Article 28 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated provides the process for judicial foreclosure and the sale of real estate sold and bid in by the county at any delinquent ad valorem property tax sale; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 79-2801 requires the Board of County Commissioners to order the county counselor to institute an action for the foreclosure and sale of such real estate,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County, Kansas that the county counselor institute an action in district court for the foreclosure and sale of all eligible real estate sold and bid in by the county for delinquent ad valorem property taxes, all as provided by law.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.

DATED this 23rd day of October, 2017.

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

RES. NO. 17-134

Ms. Clubine presented samples of the tax statement and the information that will be provided on the 2017 statements. Also a pie chart will be on the county website showing the tax dollars and where they are spent in Montgomery County by all taxing entities.

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PUBLIC WORKS:

Public Works Coordinator Robert Bever and Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Phelps met with the Board to present the weekly written report. The following items were discussed:

1. Notification from KDOT that Montgomery County has been approved for one of three bridge projects requested for funding through the 2019 Off-System Bridge Program. The approved project is NB1 Bridge #630979007082 or our Bridge #1235 located on CR 2100 Mile 3. The following action was taken:

   ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve and sign the required documents for NB1 Bridge #630979007082 or our Bridge #1235 located on CR 2100 Mile 3 as required by Kansas Department of Transportation. Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.

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

   RES. NO 17-135

2. Discussion regarding the replacement of lights outside the Judicial Center. Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Phelps will obtain bids.

3. Employee Status Change approved for Public Works Employee promotion –

4. Health Fair for county Employees and Spouses has been set for November 3rd.

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NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION – INDEPENDENCE CITY:

Independence City Manager Craig Whitehead and Assistant City Manager Kelly Passauer met with the Board and presented the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for the North Penn area with changes made previously discussed with the Board of County Commissioners. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner York to enter into the agreement for the Independence City North Penn Avenue Neighborhood Revitalization Plan expiring December 31, 2017. Copy of the complete documents on file in the Montgomery County Clerk’s Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

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

RES. NO. 17-136

SHERIFF ROBERT DIERKS:

Sheriff Dierks met with the Board to discuss inmate classes and groups through Four County Mental Health for parenting, drug abuse and other programs which would enable the inmates to learn skills and overcome drug and alcohol abuse. The Board answered Sheriff Dierk’s questions regarding funding for Four County Mental Health and how county funds are used through the agency. No action was required at this time.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. County Attorney’s request for salary increase tabled from October 16th meeting. No action was taken at this time. There was discussion brought to the table regarding the salaries of department heads and elected officials being much lower than counties the same size as Montgomery or smaller with fewer in population and lower assessed value. No action was taken.

2. County Health Building in Coffeyville proposal for presentation at the next city of Coffeyville meeting. The Board discussed and verbally decided the county could offer $30,000 to the city for the purchase of the building. Commissioner Brown was asked to make this proposal at the next Coffeyville city regular meeting.

3. A request was made by Department of Corrections for a bill to be paid from Capital Outlay to D&A Electrical Systems LLC in the amount of $5,192.40 for UPS System and New Electric Circuits. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the invoice in the amount of $5,192.40 for UPS System and New Electric Circuits to be paid from County General Capital Outlay Dept. Motion was seconded by Commissioner York.

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

RES. NO. 17-137

4. Montgomery County Rural Fire President Darren Felts met with the Board to request approval to solicit bids for construction of 16’X60’ structures for the Independence Fire Station and Havana Fire Station. The request was approved by the Board.
ADJOURNMENT: 10:40 AM

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS

FRED BROWN, Chairman

LARRY McMANUS, Member

RYAN YORK, Member

ATTEST:

County Clerk