

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

July 1, 2019

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

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner McManus.

INVOCATION: Reverend Daniel Knight, The Bible Baptist Church, Coffeyville

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve invoices in the amount of - \$26,274.00 and \$252,018.81 as presented by the County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve the minutes of June 24, 2019 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

PUBLIC WORKS:

Public Works Coordinator Jim Wright met with the Board to present the weekly written report. The following items were discussed:

1. Employee Change of Status – new hire for summer seasonal –
2. Requested Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the acquisition of real estate –

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to recess to Executive Session at 9:20 AM to return at 9:40 AM with the Board and Jim Wright present to discuss the acquisition of real estate. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

Returned to session at 9:35 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

PUBLIC WORKS (Continued):

3. Discussed flashing yellow light where trucks are entering Sunflower Road at the Refinery. The Board has no objections to the light being installed and it will be paid for and installed by the refinery personnel.
4. Discussion of Biennial Bridge Inspection Report with Mr. Michael Maris of Elite Engineering Services. The total number of bridges in Montgomery County is 248.

RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE - REPRESENTATIVE JIM KELLY:

Representative Jim Kelly met with the Board to give an update on Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ) and how the program works in helping to bring in new residents to Kansas and Montgomery County through helping with student loans. Montgomery County sponsors 10 individuals meeting the criteria at \$1,500.00 each.

Representative Kelly provided information on the program and answered question from the Board.

COUNTY APPRAISER – DIANNA CARTER:

County Appraiser Dianna Carter presented explanation of exempt values that were removed from the Orion Software Program but were not added to the tax roll in the real estate total values.

She also presented the contract for the signature of the Board as approved by the Montgomery County Counselor, between Montgomery County and Equitable Solutions, LLC. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve and sign the contract between Montgomery County and Equitable Solutions, LLC for services to be provided to the County Appraiser's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. (See RES. NO. 19-086)*

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

Ms. Carter discussed the large repair bills they are experiencing with the county vehicles being used by the County Appraiser's Office. No decisions were made at this time.

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OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Resolutions No. 13-153 and No. 14-46 to be rescinded –

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to rescind Montgomery County Resolutions No. 13-153 and No. 14-46 due to the hiring of a Montgomery County Rural Fire District #1 Coordinator, eliminating the need to pay extra wages to members of the fire district when required to do extra services in the absence of a coordinator. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

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

RES. NO. 19-087

2. Funding report from SE Kansas Regional Juvenile Detention Center –

3. Executive Session – Job Status of a Non-elected employee –

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to recess to Executive Session at 10:57 AM to return at 11:07 AM with the Board present to discuss the Job Status of a Non-Elected Employee. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

Returned to session at 11:07 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:30 AM

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

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LARRY McMANUS, Chairman

FRED BROWN, Member

ROBERT BEVER, Member

ATTEST:

County Clerk