

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

SPECIAL MEETING

May 28, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners, three members and the County Clerk present, met in special session at 10:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner McManus.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Brown.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

The purpose of the meeting being the announcement by Governor Kelly that the State of Kansas will now issue public health guidance, as opposed to orders, for response to the current COVID 19 pandemic. The State guidance is still referred to as the 'Ad Astra' Plan and Kansas is currently in Phase 2 for the state of Kansas.

County Health Director Carolyn Muller and Emergency Manager Rick Whitson were present with the most current information on cases in surrounding counties. The Phase III begins June 8th and Phase out will be June 22nd.

Sheriff Ron Wade expressed his concern and will continue the restriction of visitors to the Department of Corrections until June 22nd.

The Board discussed the opening of the Courthouse to regular hours. The final decision is the Courthouse will re-open regular hours for all offices June 1, 2020.

After discussion and questions from those attending the meeting, the following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to adopt the state guidance as the public health guidance for Montgomery County. This guidance will remain in place for Montgomery County until further notice. Montgomery County will not be taking actions based on this guidance. Persons, entities and businesses who decide not to follow this guidance assume responsibility for those decisions.*

The Montgomery County Courthouse will re-open Monday, June 1, 2020 for regular business hours for all offices.

The Judicial Building will be open but visitation to the Department of Corrections has been suspended until June 22, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

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

RES. NO. 20-073

STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RESOLUTION:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to extend the State of Local Disaster Emergency Resolution due to the COVID-19 Virus and the resolution previously declared on the 18th day of March, 2000, shall continue without interruption and remain in effect for a further 60 days. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

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

RES. NO. 20--74

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ACTION – CDBG MICRO-LOAN FOR DIAMOND ALIGNMENT & AUTO REPAIR DUE TO COVID-19:

Montgomery County Action Council Director Trisha Purdon presented the CDBG Micro-Loan ML-LRLF Grant Agreement for Diamond Alignment & Auto Repair to be increased from \$5,000.00 to \$21,540. This loan is granted as an emergency due to COVID-19. The following action was taken:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve the increase in the CDBG Micro-Loan ML-LRLF Grant Agreement for Diamond Alignment & Auto Repair to be increased from \$5,000.00 to \$21,540. This loan is granted as an emergency due to COVID-19. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.

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

RES. NO. 20-075

ADJOURNMENT: 10:40 AM

ACTION: Motion by Commissioner Bever, seconded by Commissioner Brown.

*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