

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

October 21, 2024

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

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cordray

INVOCATION: Reverend Daniel Knight, 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 McManus.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve invoices in the amount of \$15,850.00 for Montgomery County Action Council from the American Rescue Plan funds presented by the County Clerk's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the minutes of October 15, 2024 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT – APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE OF UTV FOR SHERIFF'S RESERVE and COST FOR HOUSING OF ANIMALS ON ABUSE CASE:

Undersheriff Chris Williams met with the Board to present a request for approval to purchase a UTV for the Sheriff's Reserve. It will be paid from the Sheriff's Reserve from money they have received and not from County's levied funds. The cost will be \$11,000 and insurance and all expenses will be paid by the Sheriff's Reserve.

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the request by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department to approve the purchase of a Bad Boy Side-by-side UTV for the Sheriff's Reserve and to be paid from the Sheriff's Reserve funds. The cost is \$11,000.00 and all insurance and expenses are to be paid by the Sheriff's Reserve. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*

RES. NO. 24-149

Undersheriff Williams gave a report on the cost for the housing and care for 84 days and being held pending a case on animal abuse. The total cost for the 84 days is over \$30,000.00. He did not know how much longer they would be in their custody.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Interim Public Works Coordinator Brandon Beurskens presented a letter from Kansas Department of Transportation on Project Number 063 C-5226-01 on the low bid for work on Bridge #913. The low bidder was Bridges Inc., Newton Kansas in the amount of \$1,776,092 with a required matching funds from the County of \$565,000.

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the agreement between Montgomery County and Kansas Department of Transportation for the County's share (matching funds), in the amount of \$565,000.00 for the replacement of Bridge #913 (Project Number 063 C-5226-01). The low bidder for the project was Bridges Inc., Newton Kansas in the amount of \$1,776,092.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 24-150

The Road and Bridge Cash Receipt Report for July/August/September 2024 was presented.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – CLOSURE OF COUNTY OFFICES FOR NEEWOLLAH KIDDIE PARADE:

County Administrator Jonathan Booe requested approval to close the offices Friday, October 25th at 2:00 PM for the Neewollah Kiddie Parade.

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the closing of the County office at 2:00 PM, Friday, October 25th for the Neewollah Kiddie Parade. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to recess to Executive Session at 9:35 AM to return at 9:45 AM with the Board and Kenneth Fecke present to discuss acquisition of real property (KSA 75-4319 b6). Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

Returned to session at 9:45 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to recess to Executive Session at 9:50 AM to return at 10:10 with the Board, County Administrator and Human Resources Director present to discuss non-elected personnel (KSA 75-4319 b1). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

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

BARTLETT GRAIN PROJECT – INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS:

The documents were received by the Board of County Commissioners to sign for the issuing, delivery and closing of the Industrial Revenue Bonds. The bonds will not be re-offered to the public.

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to adopt Resolution No. 24-151 authorizing the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners to sign on behalf of Montgomery County all documents required for the issuing and delivery to the Purchaser of the Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 2024 (Bartlett Grain Project) in the amount of \$375,000,000. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES NO. 24-151

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Historical from Kansas Historical Society for Mac Wesley Chapel nominated to the Register of Historic Kansas Places.
2. Request from Four County Mental Health Center for a letter of support for County’s Connections Transportation Program replacement of higher mileage vehicles from the Kansas Department of Transportation.

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the request of Four County Mental Health Center for a letter of support to the Kansas Department of Transportation for the replacement of the higher mileage vehicles for Connections Transportation. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

RES NO. 24-152

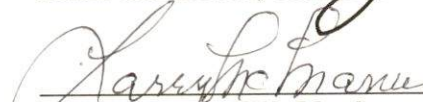
ADJOURNMENT: 10:10 AM

ACTION: *Motion by Commissioner Cordray, seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

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


MIKE CORDRAY, Chairman


LARRY McMANUS, Member


ROBERT BEVER, Member



ATTEST:


County Clerk

Work Session with County Administrator from 10:10 AM to 10:45 AM

RESOLUTION NO. 24-145

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 15th day of October, 2024.

WHEREAS: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve Montgomery County Resolution No. 24-145 authorizing the issuance of Not to Exceed \$375,000,000 Industrial Revenue Bonds Series 2024 for the Bartlett Grain Project.*

Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

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



Mike Cordray

Mike Cordray, Chairman

Larry McManus

Larry McManus, Member

Robert E. Bever

Robert Bever, Member

ATTEST:

Charlotte Schmidt

Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 24-149

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 21st day of October, 2024.

WHEREAS: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the request by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department to approve the purchase of a Bad Boy Side-by-side UTV for the Sheriff's Reserve and to be paid from the Sheriff's Reserve funds. The cost is \$11,000.00 and all insurance and expenses are to be paid by the Sheriff's Reserve.*

Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

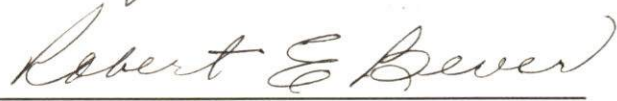
*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Bever – Yes
Commissioner McManus – Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*



Mike Cordray, Chairman




Larry McManus, Member



Robert Bever, Member



ATTEST:



Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 24-150

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 21st day of October, 2024.

WHEREAS: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the agreement between Montgomery County and Kansas Department of Transportation for the County's share (matching funds), in the amount of \$565,000.00 for the replacement of Bridge #913 (Project Number 063 C-5226-01). The low bidder for the project was Bridges Inc., Newton Kansas in the amount of \$1,776,092.00.*

Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.


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



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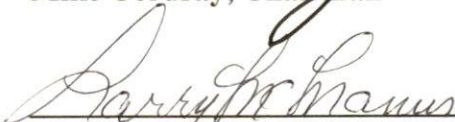
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Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.


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



Mike Cordray, Chairman



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Robert Bever, Member



ATTEST:



Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 24-152

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 21st day of October, 2024.

WHEREAS: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the request of Four County Mental Health Center for a letter of support to the Kansas Department of Transportation for the replacement of the higher mileage vehicles for Connections Transportation.*

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever

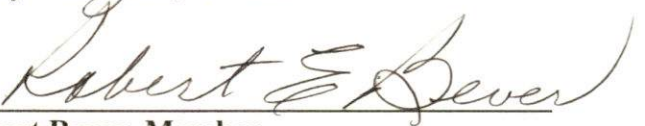
*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Bever – Yes
Commissioner McManus – Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*



Mike Cordray, Chairman



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