

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

December 2, 2024

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

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cordray

INVOCATION: Reverend Bill Booe, Liberty Community and Cherryvale Methodist Churches

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Cordray.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

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

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve invoices in the amount of \$214,822.05. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the minutes of November 25, 2024 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

WEBB & RODRICK FUNERAL SERVICES:

Mr. Shawn Shomaker, representing Webb & Rodrick Funeral Services, Rick Whitson and by telephone County Coroner Anne Hogsett met with the Board with questions on the County's responsibility for providing burial plots for unclaimed bodies.

The current cost for burial is \$500.00 and the cremation cost is going up to \$700.00. Mr. Shomaker also provided information to the Board on the number of unclaimed bodies in the last two years and it has been approximately 12 per year. Burial sites were discussed and where the County would have any space in the cemeteries they are responsible for.

The County Coroner determines if the remains are burial or cremation. They also discussed with Dr. Hoguet the cost of autopsies and determining when they are needed.

No decisions or action taken at this time.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

County Administrator Jonathan Booe and County Appraiser Melody met with the Board to present quotes on a “mass copier” for the county offices. The Quotes were as follows:

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| 1. 360 Document Solutions | \$ 12,998.95 plus Full Service \$137.95 per month |
| 2. Century Business Technologies | \$ 13,939.00 plus Base Equip. Use \$317.81 per month |
| 3. Digital Connections | \$ 12,995.00 |

The recommendation to the Board is to purchase the copier from Digital Connections, Coffeyville, KS.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the purchase of a “mass copier” from Digital Connections in the amount of \$12,995.00. Debit County General Operating Capital Outlay Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.

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

RES. NO. 24-164

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to recess to Executive Session at 9:55 AM to return at 10:10 AM with the Board and County Clerk present to discuss non-elected personnel KSA 75-4319 (b1). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.

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

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

ADJOURNMENT: 10:10 AM

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

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

WORK SESSION:

The work session began at 10:20 AM and closed at 11:15 AM. Discussion for the work session was:

1. Employee increases for the year 2025
2. Zoning’s existing plan with changes that may be made in the new plan when the present one will sunset.
3. Fire Sirens in the Third Class Cities and Sycamore.

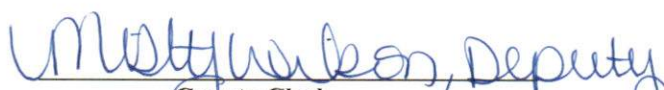
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS**


MIKE CORDRAY, Chairman

LARRY McMANUS, Member


ROBERT BEVER, Member

ATTEST:



County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 24-164

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 2nd day of December, 2024.

WHEREAS: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the purchase of a "mass copier" from Digital Connections in the amount of \$12,995.00. Debit County General Operating Capital Outlay Fund.*

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.

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



Mike Cordray, Chairman

Larry McManus, Member



Robert Bever, Member

ATTEST:



Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk