

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

March 10, 2008

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

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Lewark-Wood.

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Fowler.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Tucker.

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**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Lewark-Wood to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

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**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Lewark-Wood to approve invoices in the amount of \$173,299.40 and \$231,323.76 as presented by the County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY RURAL FIRE – EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Montgomery County Rural Fire Coordinator Wilbur Schwatken requested an Executive Session to include Rural Fire Board Members Marty Smith and Richard Catron to discuss non-elected personnel.

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Lewark-Wood to recess to Executive Session at 9:07 AM to return at 9:18 AM to discuss non-elected personnel with Wilbur Schwatken, Marty Smith and Richard Catron present for the first five (5) minutes and Wilbur Schwatken present for the remainder of the session. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

Returned to session at 9:18 AM to extend the executive session from 9:20 AM to 9:35 AM with Wilbur Schwatken present. Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Fowler.

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

Returned to session at 9:35 AM to extend the executive session from 9:37 AM to 9:47 AM with Wilbur Schwatken present. Motion by Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Tucker.

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

Returned to session at 9:47 AM with no action taken and no decisions made.

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**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – KURTIS SIMMONS – REQUEST FOR COMPUTER BIDS:**

Community Corrections Director Kurtis Simmons presented a request to the Board to receive bids on two (2) laptop computers at an estimated cost of \$1,619.00 per unit. Approval was given to receive bids as requested.

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY HEALTH – RUTH BARDWELL- GRANT APPLICATION AND BID REQUEST FOR SHREDDER:**

Montgomery County Health Director Ruth Bardwell presented an application for a grant in the amount of \$100,003.00 from the State of Kansas, Department of Health & Environment. The application was approved by the Board and signed by the Chairman.

Ms. Bardwell requested permission to request bids for a shredder for the Health office if it could not be worked out with the Shred It Company to contract for pickup at the office. Approval was given to obtain bids if necessary to purchase a shredder.

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**PUBLIC WORKS:**

Robert Bever, Public Works Coordinator, met with the Board to present the weekly report. The meeting began with an Executive Session.

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Tucker to recess to Executive Session at 10:00 AM to return at 10:10 AM to discuss non-elected personnel with Robert Bever present. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

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

Mr. Bever presented the weekly written report. The following items were discussed: Bid for flood debris pickup to be opened on Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>; Major Bridge Replacement Status (County Bridge No. 608); Sewer District #2 discussion on Sewer District #2 usage increase or decrease (information was furnished on formula for figuring customer usage and a copy of the resolution in 2002 establishing rates; and rock report for February. No action was taken as a result of the report.

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**SHERIFF:**

Sheriff Stan Veach met with the Board to discuss the following:

1. Copier for the Department of Corrections – Bids will be taken and specifications will be sent out from the County Clerk's Office.
2. Sheriff Veach is working on getting quotes on vehicles
3. Executive Session.

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Tucker to recess to Executive Session at 10:30 AM to return at 10:35 AM to discuss non-elected personnel with the Sheriff present. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewark-Wood.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

Returned to session at 10:35 AM to extend the executive session from 10:35 AM to 10:40 AM with the Sheriff present. Motion by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Fowler.

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes  
Commissioner Tucker - Yes  
Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

Returned to session at 10:40 AM with no action taken and no decisions made.

**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:**

1. Discussion on revised handbook will wait until Human Resources can be present at the next meeting.
2. Schedule Department Head interviews over the next two (2) meetings – 15 minutes each.
3. An incident report was sent to the Commission by Scott Barnhart on the dumping of waterfowl carcasses in waterway.
4. Jim Miller advised the Board the maps from FEMA have been received on the flood plain for Montgomery County Verdigris River Basin.
5. Executive Session:  
**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Tucker to recess to Executive Session at 11:12 AM with the Board present to discuss non-elected personnel to return at 11:22 AM. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewark-Wood.*  
*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes*  
*Commissioner Tucker - Yes*  
*Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

Returned to session at 11:22 AM with no action taken and no decisions made.

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**ADJOURNMENT: 11:25 AM**

**ACTION:** *Motion by Commissioner Fowler and seconded by Commissioner Lewark-Wood.*  
*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Lewark-Wood - Yes*  
*Commissioner Tucker - Yes*  
*Commissioner Fowler – Yes*

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**BILLIE LEWARK-WOOD, Chairman**

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**GENE TUCKER, Member**

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**TONY FOWLER, Member**

**ATTEST:**

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**County Clerk**