

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

June 1, 2009

The Board of County Commissioners, two members and the County Clerk present, met in regular session at 8:30 AM. Commissioner McManus was absent.

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Fowler.

**INVOCATION:** Reverend Darlene Easley, Quinn Chapel AME, Independence

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Brown.

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**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

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

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

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**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Fowler to approve invoices in the amount of \$52.46, \$225,605.13, \$50711.00 and \$16,400.52 as presented by the County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Fowler to approve the minutes of March 5 and March 9, 2009 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY HEALTH – EMPLOYEE STATUS CHANGE:**

County Health Coordinator Ruth Bardwell met with the Board to discuss a pay increase for the part-time nurse practitioner from \$30.00 per hour to \$31.06 per hour effective April 26<sup>th</sup>. This is the same salary the position has been paying to the nurse practitioner leaving the position. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve the increase for the part-time nurse practitioner from \$30.00 to \$31.06 effective April 26<sup>th</sup> with no medical benefits provided. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

RES. NO. 09-97

**ADOLPH WILDGRUBE:**

Mr. Wildgrube asked the Board where “they were in getting an answer from the Attorney General”. Mr. Wildgrube was told it had been referred to the County Counselor and if necessary he will get the AG Opinion.

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**FOUR COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH – 2010 BUDGET:**

Ron Denny and Greg Hennen met with the Board to present the 2010 budget request for Four County Mental Health. The request reflects an increase from \$302,000 for 2009 to \$316,000 for 2010. The budget will be reviewed at the budget sessions. No decision was made at this time.

Mr. Denny presented a letter from the county denying funding for the Strengthening Families for Parent and Youth 10-14 prevention program for the 14<sup>th</sup> Judicial District. The letter was signed by the Board.

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**PUBLIC WORKS:**

Public Works Coordinator Robert Bever and Bill Warren, Maintenance Department, met with the Board. The following items were discussed:

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| 1. Bridge Design bids –                             |                  |
| Schwab-Eaton, P. A. , Manhattan, KS                 | No Bid           |
| TranSystems Corporation, Independence, KS           | #1 - \$29,456.70 |
|   | #2 - \$29,456.70 |
|   | #3 - \$24,697.51 |
| Cook Flatt & Strobel, Topeka, KS                    | #1 - \$22,800.00 |
|   | #2 - \$24,800.00 |
|   | #3 - \$25,800.00 |
| Central Kansas Engineering Consultants, Emporia, KS | No Bid           |

Bids were referred to Public Works for their review and recommendation.

2. Discussed using four (4) youth workers from Kansas Works Program for a period of eight (8) to nine (9) weeks. They have made arrangements to utilize this program for this summer.
3. Discussed the unofficial detour agreement with KDOT in regards to applying dust control on CR 5500 north of Highway 169.
4. Building Maintenance – Roof Repair on Judicial Building –  
Total square footage – 35,880 sq feet to repair 5 areas as described in the report –
  - a. Over jail cells on the east side
  - b. Main area over center of building
  - c. Over the Sheriff’s Office
  - d. Front Entrance
  - e. Over County Attorney’s Office

Total estimated repair cost is \$7,730, allowing 2 to 3 years to budget for a complete roof replacement at an approximate cost of \$220,000. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Fowler to approve the roof repair as presented by the Public Works Coordinator at an estimated cost of \$7,730.00 for repair to 35,880 square feet on the Judicial Building. Debit Building Maintenance Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

*RES. NO. 09-98*

5. Sewer District #2 – Presented “past due” list for May 2008.
6. Requested permission to seek bids for 2 pallets of Remedy and 1 pallet of 2-4D Amine 4# at an estimated cost of \$23,000.

**PUBLIC WORKS – (Continued):**

Mr. Bever requested approval for shared leave within his department for a total of 160 hours. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve a shared leave request for 160 hours within the Public Works Department. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

*RES. NO. 09-99*

Intersection Lighting – Discussed intersection lights being placed at the Havana Intersection of CR 2600 and Highway 75; the initial cost would be \$705.00 for the first year and \$200.00 for each year thereafter. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve the installation of lights at the Havana intersection of County Road 2600 and Highway 75 as outlined by the Public Works Coordinator. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

*RES. NO. 09-100*

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**FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES (JJA) – VEHICLE BIDS – INCENTIVE GRANT:**

Family and Children Services Director Duane Powell and Bill Knight Program Specialist for JJA, met with the Board for a bid opening and to discuss an Incentive Grant. Bids were as follows:

Romans Chevrolet, Independence, KS	Opt. 1 - \$14,900 Opt. 2 - \$14,200
Mike Carpino Ford, Columbus, KS	No Bid
Quality Motors (Ford), Independence, KS	Opt. 1 - \$14,740 Opt. 2 - \$14,905
Perl Chevrolet, Coffeyville, KS	Opt. 1 - \$13,987 Opt. 2 - \$12,777
Joe Watts Auto Sales, Vinita, OK	No Bid
Quality Toyota, Independence, KS	Opt. 1 - \$11,450 plus \$95.00 fee Opt. 2 - \$15,000 plus \$95.00 fee Opt. 3 - \$17,750 plus \$95.00 fee
Merle Kelly Ford, Inc., Chanute, KS	Opt. 1 - \$13,695
Shields Motor Company, Chanute, KS	Opt. 1 - \$13,000

Bids will be reviewed by the Director and return to the Board with a recommendation.

Incentive Grant –

Mr. Powell and Mr. Knight presented a letter they have sent to the school districts requesting support on the Incentive Grant. Matching funds required were funds given for the previous grant by the school districts, Montgomery County and Four County Mental Health. They anticipate the same entities will participate to fund the matching funds when reapplying for this grant. The county share of the matching funds will be \$5,000.00. The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve the matching funds for the Incentive Grant for Family and Children Services for the year 2009/2010 in the amount of \$5,000.00 to fund a position to follow up on all intakes of juveniles that were not being supervised by another agency. This matching fund commitment to be paid from County General Operating Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

*RES. NO. 09-101*

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**HUMAN RESOURCES AND COUNTY COUNSELOR – EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Fowler to recess to Executive Session at 11:05 AM to return at 11:35 AM with County Counselor Paul Kritz present to discuss matters that are privileged within the scope of the Attorney/Client relationship to include Human Resources Director Shawn Wallis. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

Returned to session at 11:35 AM with a motion by Commissioner Fowler to extend the session from 11:36 AM until 12:16 PM for the same purpose and with the same present. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

Returned to session at 12:16 PM with no action taken and no decisions made.

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**COUNTY APPRAISER :**

County Appraiser LeRoy Burk met with the Board and discussed a possible work session with our State Representatives to discuss some problems the county is facing on appeals currently at the state court of tax appeals. Mr. Burk will contact our representatives for a meeting.

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**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:**

1. Signed an Engagement between Montgomery County Sewer District No. 1 and William J. Kelly for the collection of delinquent accounts as approved at a previous meeting.
2. Status Change approved and signed for the hiring of Shawn Wallis for the position of Human Resources Director at \$16.00 per hour.
3. Emergency Preparedness updated job description approved. The following action was taken:  
**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Fowler to approve the updated job description for Emergency Preparedness as presented by the Emergency Preparedness Director with no changes from the previous description. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes  
Commissioner Brown – Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Absent*

*RES. NO. 09-102*

4. Verbal approval for monthly payroll was given –
5. Correspondence on request to close a street for a “Block Party” was forwarded to the City of Independence.
6. Commissioner fowler stated he has “been gathering data on Rural Fire from other counties”. He said he has discussed with Louisburg Township their not being in the district. He was told Elk City would not have been covered when MCRF#1 was formed if they had been included in the consolidation.
7. Commissioner Fowler will be out-of-town and will not be present for the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Permit renewal for Mr. Gary Gorby.
2. Montgomery County Rural Fire Dst. #1 minutes.
3. Thank you from Nedesha School District for the After Prom Donation.

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**ADJOURNMENT: 12:36 PM**

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

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

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**TONY FOWLER, Chairman**

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**FRED BROWN, Member**

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**LARRY McMANUS, Member**

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**ATTEST:**

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**County Clerk**