

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

February 18, 2010

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

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Fowler.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Fowler.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

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

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Fowler to approve invoices in the amount of \$525.00, \$875.00, \$31,236.27, \$369,236.27 and \$44,562.44 as presented by the County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the minutes of February 8, 2010 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION – COUNTY CLERK – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to recess to Executive Session at 9:10 AM to return at 9:15 AM with the Board and County Clerk present to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler.*

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

Returned to session at 9:15 AM stating no action taken and no decisions made.

JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY (FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES) MATCHING GRANT FUNDS REQUEST:

Family and Children Services Director Duane Powell met with the Board along with Bill Knight to discuss the matching grant funds requested from the County for the funds for the Truant Intervention Program. The request for the matching fund is in the amount of \$14,301.00 for the FY 2010-2011.

The Board discussed the possibility of the portion of the attorney's salary in the Family and Children Services Office paid by JJA be increased due to the County's required matching funds increase of \$9,301.00 from the previous year. No decision was made at this time but was tabled until March 8th at 9:15 AM.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – DISCUSSION ON SEK JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER:

County Attorney Larry Markle provided information to the Board on the expenses incurred at the SEK Juvenile Detention Center for juveniles from Montgomery County. He provided the written Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Southeast Kansas Regional Juvenile Detention Facility and the following counties: Allen, Bourbon, Chautauqua, Cherokee, Labette, Linn, Montgomery, Neosho, Wilson, and Woodson Counties. He stated he feels the cost to the county could be much less if we had our own facility and that a committee possibly should be asked again to work on gathering information and costs. The cost to the county is approximately \$400,000 per year.

It was decided the Sheriff, County Attorney and Public Works would be asked to meet to discuss this possibility. Commissioner Fowler proposed Commissioner McManus would chair the committee. Commissioner McManus is the Board's representative to Girard and will investigate the reason the charges are daily.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL TOUR – DR. CHARLES SCHMIDT:

Dr. Charles Schmidt, Superintendent USD#446 Schools gave the Board of County Commissioners, County Clerk and Sheriff a tour of the Washington School facility. The Board recessed at 9:45 AM to tour the facility and returned to session at 10:25 AM. No decisions were made at this time. A letter stating the county's interest in the facility will be set to Dr. Schmidt's office at the Board of Education.

PAUL CLIFTON – CONCERN ON APPRAISAL BASED ON COMPLETION OF HOME:

Mr. Paul Clifton met with the Board to express his concern on the appraisal on his home. His escrow with the bank is based on the appraisal notice received in February or March, 2009. This value was much lower than his appraisal for taxation causing the escrow account to be short. He has met with the Appraiser's office. No action could be taken.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:00 AM

ACTION: *Motion by Commissioner Fowler seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Fowler - Yes

Commissioner Brown - Absent

Commissioner McManus – Yes

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TONY FOWLER, Chairman

FRED BROWN, Member

LARRY MCMANUS, Member

ATTEST:

County Clerk