

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

January 28, 2019

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

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner McManus.

INVOCATION: Reverend Francis Aeschliman, The Wesleyan Church, Independence

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

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

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve invoices in the amounts of \$24,909.35, \$181,564.61 and \$135,155.56 as presented by the County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the minutes of February 23, 2015 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

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

FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS SERVICES:

Director Duane Powell presented a request to the Board for approval to purchase computers in the amount of \$7,320.00. The current ones the department has are 9 years and will have to be updated. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the request to purchase computers in the amount of \$7,320.00 for the 14th Judicial District Community Corrections Services. The funds are available and will be debited from the 14th Judicial District Community Corrections Services. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.*

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

RES. NO. 19-017

PUBLIC WORKS:

Interim Public Works Coordinator Jim Wright met with the Board to present the weekly written report. Maintenance Superintendent Jeff Phelps was also in attendance. The following items were discussed:

1. Report for December, 2018 –
2. Requested permission to solicit bids for corrugated metal pipe – Request Approved.
3. Employee Status change for promotion of employee – Approved
4. Requested permission to solicit bids for Montgomery County Biennial Bridge Inspection – Request Approved.
5. Report for Noxious Weed for 2018 –
6. Report for Household Hazardous Waste for 2018 –
7. Bid for the removal of the fire escape on the West side of the Courthouse. Recommended accepting the bid from Volz Welding and Machine in the amount of \$10,250.00.

After discussion on the value of the salvage of the metal from the fire escape, action was tabled until the next meeting and Mr. Wright will obtain information from Volz Welding on the value of the salvage.

8. Discussed the vacant Health Building in Coffeyville. It was agreed it should be offered to the public with a Public Notice in the newspaper and the building be sold by obtaining sealed bids. The County Clerk will prepare the Public Notice.
9. Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Phelps discussed the refurbishing of the outside of the Courthouse (stone and steps). He explained more damage will be done by the weather if repair is not done soon.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever that Public Works look into the cost and return to the Board with the estimates. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

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

10. Mr. Phelps and Mr. Wright reported on one boiler leaking in the basement of the Courthouse and will have to be replaced. The boiler is 16 to 17 years old.

EBMS INSURANCERENEWAL INFORMATION – MICAH BOULANGER:

Mr. Micah Boulanger with EBMS Insurance met with the Board to discuss and answer questions concerning the Montgomery County insurance for the employees. There are 175 employees on the plan with a total of 321 counting the dependents covered under their policies. Our charges to be in the Aetna Plan is based on the number of employees enrolled.

The Board discussed increasing the “stop-loss” responsibility from \$60,000.00 to \$70,000.00 per claim reaching this amount. This will be a significant decrease in the premium for the coverage. The following action was taken:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to increase the county responsibility on the “stop-loss” insurance coverage from \$60,000.00 to \$70,000.00 per claim reaching the \$70,000.00 cost. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

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

RES. NO. 19-012

There was further discussion on increasing the employee’s premium payment per month. It was decided the increase will be \$3.00 per employee enrolled in the health insurance regardless of what plan they are on. The following action was taken:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to increase the monthly premium paid by the employee for health insurance by \$3.00. The increase will be the same for all employees regardless of the plan they are enrolled in. This will become effective April 1, 2019. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

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

RES. NO. 19-013

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Employee's Personal Day –

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve one (1) Personal Day to be added to the 2019 Holiday Schedule. The Personal Day must be used by the employee by the last day of December, 2019 or it will be lost. This will not carry over into the next year. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Brown – Yes
Commissioner Bever - Yes

RES. NO. 19-014

2. Shared Leave Policy –

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Brown for a change in the Shared Leave Policy as follows:

Request for Shared Leave will no longer be required to come before the Board of County Commissioners if all requirements are met as set forth in the Montgomery County Handbook. These requirements must be verified by the Department Head and by the Payroll Department before entered into the payroll system.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Brown – Yes
Commissioner Bever - Yes

RES. NO. 19-015

3. County Commission Meetings when Holidays fall on Monday –

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to schedule the Montgomery County Commission Meeting on the following Wednesday when Holidays fall on Monday and a full agenda is required or an emergency needing action by the Board. The agenda will be completed by 4:00 PM on Friday preceding the Holiday and transmitted to the Board. The decision will be made by the Chairman with the public being notified through the media. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Brown – Yes
Commissioner Bever - Yes

RES. NO. 19-016

ADJOURNMENT: 10:47 AM

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

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner McManus - Yes
Commissioner Brown – Yes
Commissioner Bever - Yes

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LARRY McMANUS, Chairman

FRED BROWN, Member

ROBERT BEVER, Member

ATTEST

County Clerk