

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

March 1, 2021

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Bever.

**INVOCATION:** Reverend Daniel Knight, Bible Baptist Church, Coffeyville

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Cordray.

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**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

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

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

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**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve invoices in the amounts of \$221,744.15, \$1,202.53 and \$26,340.27 as presented by the County Clerk. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the minutes of February 22, 2021 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*

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**COUNTY APPRAISER DIANNA CARTER – APPRAISAL VALUES:**

Montgomery County Appraiser Dianna Carter met with the Board to provide information on appraisal values as they are at the present time. Notices were sent to property owners today and they have 30 days to request a hearing on their valuations..She advised the Board changes can still be made until certified to the County Clerk on or before June 1, 2021. When the certification is made, these values will be used for the 2022 county budget.

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**TOURISM – CANEY CITY AND CHERRYVALE CITY:**

Cherryvale City Administrator Jonathan Booe met with the Board and reported on the City’s plans for spending the funds provided through the Tourism Tax and received through the County. Several events are planned and tools for providing more information to create more interest in what Cherryvale has to offer will be distributed. The Board thanked Mr. Booe for his report.

Caney City Administrator Fred Gress also met with the Board with Mr. Danny Scott also present representing the City of Caney. Mr. Gress reported on new entry sign for the City on the south side of Caney and moving the existing sign on the north side of town about a quarter of a mile closer to Caney. They are creating marketing brochures and advertising in the SEK Magazine and working with the area community to create regional marketing programs. The Board thanked Mr.Gress and Mr. Scott for the report.

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**PUBLIC WORKS:**

Public Works Coordinator Jim Wright presented the weekly written report. The following items were discussed:

1. Presented the 2020 End of Year Report for Building Maintenance -
2. Bid results for two new pickup trucks. Bids were as follows:

¾ Ton Short Bed Truck

Quality Motors, Independence, KS	\$29,000.00	2021 RAM 2500
Jay Hatfield Chevrolet, Columbus, KS	\$33,780.35	2021 Chevrolet 2500

¾ Ton Long Bed Truck with Service Bed

Quality Motors, Independence, KS	\$29,000.00	2021 RAM 2500 Truck
	\$ <u>8,500.00</u>	Reading Service Bed
TOTAL BID	\$37,500.00	Truck and Bed

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve and accept the low bid for two 2021 pickups and one service bed from Quality Motors, Independence, Kansas in the amounts of \$29,000.00 and \$29,000.00 plus \$8,500.00 service bed. Debit Special Equipment Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

*RES. NO. 21-043*

3. An e-mail from Kelly Passauer with the City of Independence regarding the conditional use permit the County had filed which has final action taken by the Independence city commissioners. There will be discussion on the information from the City of Independence when Commissioner McManus is also present.

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY HEALTH – REPORT ON COVID VACCINE:**

Montgomery County Health Director Carolyn Muller gave a report to the Board on the Covid vaccine being administered in Montgomery County. Vaccinations will be given at the Independence Civic Center on Wednesday, March 3, 2021.

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**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:**

1. Southeast Kansas Works Agreement to be signed by Chairman –  
**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to authorize the Chairman to sign, on behalf of Montgomery County, the renewal agreement between Montgomery County and Southeast Kansas Works with 16 other counties participating for employment services. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*  
*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Absent  
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*

RES. NO. 21-044

2. Use of the Judicial Basement by Jake LaTurner’s Office for meetings with the employees and public was not approved by the Board.

3. Occupational License Renewal – Independence Country Club

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the renewal of an Occupational License for the Independence Country Club, Independence, KS. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

RES. NO. 21-045

4. Executive Session – Non-elected Personnel – (Job Status of a non-elected employee):

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to recess to Executive Session at 10:15 AM to return at 10:30 AM with the Board and County Clerk present to discuss the Job Status of a non-elected employee. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

Returned to session at 10:30 AM with no decisions made and no action to be taken.

**RECESSED TO WORK SESSION AT 10:30 AM.**

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**ADJOURNMENT: 11:30 AM**

**ACTION:** *Motion by Commissioner McManus, seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

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

  
ROBERT BEVER, Chairman

  
LARRY McMANUS, Member

  
MIKE CORDRAY, Member



**ATTEST:**

  
County Clerk

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-043**

**DATED** at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2021.

**WHEREAS:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve and accept the low bid for two 2021 pickups and one service bed from Quality Motors, Independence, Kansas in the amounts of \$29,000.00 and \$29,000.00 plus \$8,500.00 service bed. Debit Special Equipment Fund.*

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

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*Robert E. Bever*

**Robert Bever, Chairman**

*Larry McManus*

**Larry McManus, Member**

*Mike Cordray*

**Mike Cordray, Member**



*Charlotte Scott Schmidt*

**Charlotte Scott Schmidt, County Clerk**

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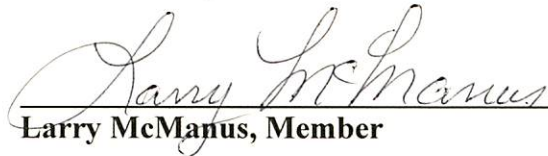
*Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

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**Robert Bever, Chairman**



**Larry McManus, Member**



**Mike Cordray, Member**



**ATTEST:**



**Charlotte Scott Schmidt, County Clerk**

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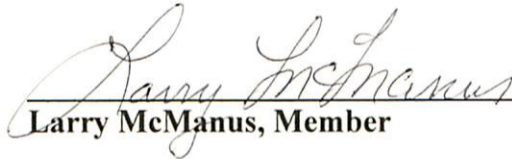
*Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

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

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**Robert Bever, Chairman**



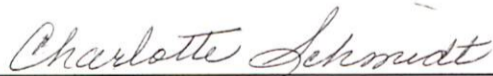
**Larry McManus, Member**



**Mike Cordray, Member**



**ATTEST:**



**Charlotte Scott Schmidt, County Clerk**