

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

April 4, 2022

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

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Bever.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Robert Bever.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

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

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

No Invoices to approve.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the minutes of March 28, 2022 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. County Commissioners Spring Conference at Salina.\
2. County Government Month set by Governor to be the month of April.
3. Letter to Commissioner Bever from Mr. Bill Webster Bartlett Milling regarding a turn lane off Highway 160 into the Soybean Plant, Cherryvale, Ks.

HUMAN RESOURCES – INSURANCE UPDATE:

Human Resources Director Becky Lewis met with the Board to discuss the change added to the employee's insurance using Fair Market Value. This has created a problem with the Aetna network our insurance now is in. The Board wants no change from the Aetna network.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Public Works Coordinator Jim Wright met with the Board to present the weekly written report. The following items were discussed:

1. Copy of the Dust Inhibitor 2022 Program was presented to the Board. The applications were sent out last week.
2. The County Commissioners and Road Officials meeting scheduled in Chanute on April 21, 2022 was presented to the Board.

PUBLIC WORKS (Continued):

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| 3. Bid results for the construction engineering on Bridge 42.1 - | Bid Results: |
| Cook, Flatt & Strobel, Topeka, KS | No Bid |
| E.E.S. LLC, Gardner, KS | \$59,800.00 |
| Kirkham Michael, Ellsworth, KS | No Bid |
| Schwab-Eaton, PA, Manhattan KS | No Bid |
| EEL Earles Engineering, Salina, KS | No Bid |
| Trekk Design Group, Kansas City, MO | No Bid |
| TranSystems Corporation, Independence, KS | No Bid |
| Aligeier, Martin & Associates, Joplin, MO | No Bid |

The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the bid for Bridge #42.1 Construction Engineering from E.E.S. LLC, Gardner, KS in the amount of \$59,800.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*
ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes

RES. NO. 22-044

4. Requested permission to bid on a tilt top trailer on PurpleWave. Verbal approval was given to bid on a trailer with a limit of \$15,000 to \$20,000.
5. Requested permission to sell the following on PurpleWave:
 - Unit #202 - 1992 Case Cruz Excavator
 - Unit #450 – 1999 Blair Trailer (Household Hazardous Waste)
 - Tarps – Spring loaded.

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the request of Public Works to sell the following items on PurpleWave.*
Unit #202 - 1992 Case Cruz Excavator
Unit #450 -1999 Blair Trailer (Household Hazardous Waste)
Tarps – Spring loaded.
Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.
ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McManus – Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes

RES. NO. 22-045

COMPUTER DEPARTMENT – ON-LINE MEETINGS:

Computer Department Director Jason Clubine and Assistant Director Drew Achone met with the Board to answer questions regarding having the Commission Meetings on Zoom or Facebook live so the public could watch the meetings but would not be participating. No decisions were made at this time and will discuss it again,

COUNTY APPRAISER – RURAL HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT:

The Board met with County Appraiser Melody Kikkert to discuss the Rural Housing Incentive District and how it will affect the County with a 25 year commitment. The discussion also included the market values of property and what taxes would not be subject to the project. Several questions were given to the County Appraiser and requested to visit the April Nutt, Housing Director. This meeting was only to gather more information on the project. A workshop will be set to before action will be taken by the Board.

EBMS INSURANCE – MICAH BOULANGER:

Micah Boulanger, Healthcare Consultant, to answer question concerning the decision of the Board to work with Fair Market Health in our Montgomery County Health Plan. The Board directed Mr. Boulanger to not use have the employees use the Fair Market Health process until he has more information and worked with Aetna Network on how this will affect the insurance plan we now have.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY RURAL FIRE DST#1 – DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF WHETSINE
REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OFFICER – WORK SESSION:**

Emergency Manager/District Fire Chief Rick Whitson and Assistant Emergency Manager Lee Miller met with the Board in a work session to discuss the recent request for a full-time MCRF#1 Support Officer.

Mr. Whitson began the meeting by telling the Board it had been discussed and they could go back to just the part-time support officer instead of full-time. There was also discussion on salaries, training schedules for the fire fighters. No decisions made and there will be further discussion on the items discussed at this work session.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Register of Deeds Reports of Receipts & Disbursements for January, February and March –
2. Commissioner Bever requested the Clerk get a verbal report from Yerkes on the progress of the American Rescue Plan.
3. Funding for After-Proms for the school districts – The following action was taken:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to distribute to USD 445, 446, 447 and 436 each \$250.00 and to USD 283, 461 and 464 each \$100.00 to be paid from the alcohol funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.

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

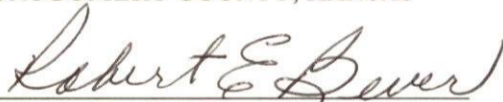
RES. 22-46


ADJOURNMENT: 11:29 AM

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

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

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ROBERT BEVER, Chairman


LARRY McMANUS, Member


MIKE CORDRAY, Member



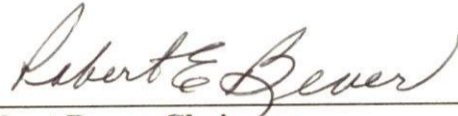

County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 22-044

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 4th day of April, 2022.

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Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.



Robert Bever, Chairman



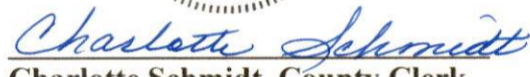
Larry McManus, Member



Mike Cordray, Member



ATTEST


Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

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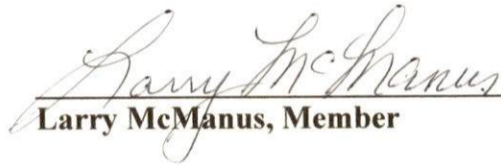
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Robert Bever, Chairman



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Mike Cordray, Member



ATTEST:


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RESOLUTION NO. 22-046

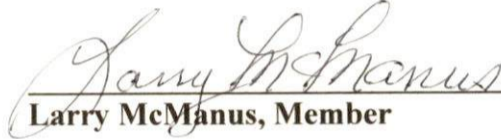
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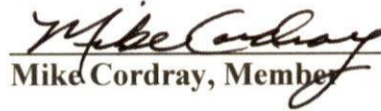
Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.



Robert Bever, Chairman



Larry McManus, Member



Mike Cordray, Member



ATTEST:


Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk