

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

May 16, 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 Bever.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner McManus.

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**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*

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**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve invoices in the amount of \$209,403.64 as presented by the County Clerk's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the minutes of May 9, 2022 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

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**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH/ZONING – REPORT ON CANEY VALLEY GOLF COURSE PLAT:**

Environmental Health/Zoning Director Matt Debo met with the Board to give a report on the Caney Valley Golf Course Plat. The plat was verbally approved to be taken to the Montgomery County Zoning Board for approval.

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**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS JUVENILE SERVICES -DUANE POWELL – WAGES:**

Department of Corrections Juvenile Services Director Duane Powell met with the Board to discuss the State issuing an increase in funding for salaries. The funds amount to \$49,25.52 and is for salaries only. Mr. Powell provided a breakdown which included back pay . The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the salary increases for the Department of Corrections Juvenile Services with the funding being issued by the State of Kansas. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

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**HUMAN RESOURCES BECKY LEWIS – LONGEVITY:**

Ms Lewis met with the Board on the employee's longevity which had previously been discussed on changes that could be made. She reported there will be no changes to the longevity in the handbook. It will stay the same as it is at the present time and the changes recommended will be stricken from the new handbook.

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**COUNTY TREASURER NANCY CLUBINE – AUTO TAG DISCUSSION:**

The Board met with County Treasurer Nancy Clubine to discuss the 2023 budget and current staffing.

Ms Clubine said at the present time she is fully staffed between Coffeyville and Independence offices. The question by Commissioner Bever was asked when the two (2) Independence tag office employees would be back from training and be back in the Independence office. She replied it depends on how they do when they have their "trial run" on being completely trained on titles and statutes. There was some discussion on closing the Coffeyville Office so all employees could be in one office and all title work and other auto tag work be done at the same time. Ms. Clubine thought this would not be a good idea for the people needing service.

Another meeting time will be scheduled for discussing the budget further.

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**PUBLIC WORKS:**

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

1. Discussion regarding request from Heck & Wicker, Inc. regarding the road location project on CR 4500 - A letter was approved to be sent to Kent Wicker, President of Heck & Wicker, Inc. in supporting understanding of the financial problems caused by the rise in material and fuel costs. The letter addressed the State having a monthly Asphalt Material Index to monitor price increases in liquid asphalt costs and also a Fuel Index for the same purpose. The County would support such actions as implementing fuel adjustments, with a cap, providing this contract qualifies for such but the County is receiving much needed aid from KDOT on this project and this decision will be at the discretion of KDOT.
2. Bridge 205 work will start the week of the 30<sup>th</sup> of May.
3. Commissioner asked about the department looking into KAC Grants and Mr. Wright will be attending the Highway Association meeting in Dodge City and hope to get more information. Mr. Wright will be checking for grants also on webinars.

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY RURAL FIRE #1 – DISTRICT CHIEF RICK WHITSON:**

MCRF#1 District Fire Chief Rick Whitson met with the Board to introduce Mr. John Boles, new part-time employee replacing Chris Furr's position.

Mr. Whitson asked that one of the commissioners attend the Coffeyville Levy meeting at 2:00 pm Thursday via Zoom. Commissioner Cordray will be attending the Zoom meeting.

Tanker Truck – Issues with the tanker truck in Tyro was discussed. Originally approval was given for \$75,000.00 to purchase a new truck but they have found no replacement for this price. It has been discussed and they would like to have the present one overhauled and the only issue they can find is the engine. Commissioner Bever asked Mr. Whitson to get two to three quotes and bring them back for the Commissioner to discuss.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL (KSA 75-4319 (b)):**

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to recess to Executive Session at 10:06 AM with the Board present to discuss non-elected personnel under KSA 75-4319 (b) to return at 10:21 AM. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

Returned to session at 10:21 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:**

1. Replacement on Coffeyville Senior Citizens Activity Center - Mr. Terry Wright will replace a vacancy due to resignation of Ms Rita Wilson. No action required.
2. Report from County Treasurer Nancy Clubine on statement of accounts as of April 30, 2022.
3. Neighborhood Revitalization Applications for 0000 CR 5700, Cherryvale and 2931 CR 1475, Coffeyville. Approved by the Board for the Chairman to sign.

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Motion by Commissioner Bever and seconded by Commissioner McManus with Commissioner Corddray voting yes to recess to Budget Worksession at 10:30 AM.

Budgets in the General Operating Fund were reviewed and the following departments will be asked to attend the Monday May23rd meeting Budget Worksession for budget questions:

Unified Court, County Attorney, GIS, Appraiser, Computer Dept and Environmental Health/Zoning.

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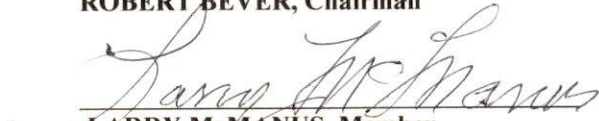
**ADJOURNMENT: 12:05 AM**

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

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

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

  
ROBERT BEVER, Chairman

  
LARRY McMANUS, Member

  
MIKE CORDRAY, Member



  
County Clerk

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-066**

**DATED** at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

**WHEREAS:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the salary increases for the Department of Corrections Juvenile Services with the funding being issued by the State of Kansas.*

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

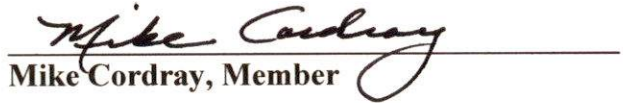
*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes  
Commissioner McManus - Yes  
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*



**Robert Bever, Chairman**



**Larry McManus, Member**



**Mike Cordray, Member**



**ATTEST:**

  
**Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk**