

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

February 13, 2023

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: Reverend Bill Booe- United Methodist Church at Liberty and Cherryvale.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

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

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve invoices in the amount of \$9,975.00 Mid-Month Encumbered, \$164,207.40 Mid-Month, and an Encumbered Special Run of \$28,388.40. 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*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the minutes of February 6, 2023 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*

TOURISM REPORTS:

Representatives from Caney, Cherryvale, Coffeyville and Independence met with the Board on the tourism tax collected.

Cherryvale City Administration reported they are spending their funds trying to work with the Chambers of Commerce getting events sponsored for more activities in Cherryvale. They are also work with the Bass Tournament at Big Hill Lake.

Caney City Administrator Kelley Zellner gave his report and they are working on getting signage for downtown Caney and advertise tourism in Caney.

Coffeyville City Chamber of Commerce Director Candi Westbrook gave a report on this being 50th anniversary and they are working on the celebration. They are also working on getting a theater in Coffeyville and also have created a "Visitor Map" which also includes activities throughout the County.

TOURISM (Continued):

Independence City Chamber of Commerce Director Lisa Wilson and Maggie Moore met with the Board. A notebook was presented to each of the Board Members with their activities, reaching out to advertise the activities was presented by illustrations in the notebook and various magazines advertising Independence and Montgomery County Activities.

The Board thanked each of the representatives for their presentations.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Public Works Coordinator Jim Wright and Assistant Coordinator Brandon Beurskens to present the weekly written report to the Board. The following items were discussed:

1. Discussion regarding Safe Streets for All Awards. Information on all funding of the awards was presented to the Board, Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission was awarded \$800,000.00 for the Southeast Kansas Regional SS4A Planning Grant Application.
2. Request permission to purchase a used dump truck for the Special Bridge Crew. This truck will replace the truck wrecked in November. Mr. Wright was approved to purchase a dump truck with under 250,000 miles and the cost for \$80,000. He will work with Commissioner McManus to make a purchase.
3. Noxious Weed - One Ton Truck:

October of 2022 bids were taken on a one-ton truck for Noxious Weed Department. A letter was received from Quality Motors that the truck they were awarded to bid on would not be built due to Ford's production restraints. On February 7th, 2023 Quality Motors informed the County they had a 2022 similar truck and would the County be interested and will discount the price for being a 22 year model. After a discussion the following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the purchase of the 2022 Ford F350 Single Cab and Chassis 4x4 for the Noxious Weed Department. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

RES. NO. 23-026

4. Discussion on Bridge 913 east of Coffeyville on 8th Street.

SHERIFF WADE:

Sheriff Ron Wade and Undersheriff Chris Williams met with the Board and discussed the PSAP's. Since Coffeyville and Independence cannot agree on the their boundaries for the PSAP areas, the following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to devide the PSAP according to the PSAP Boundary Map. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

RES. NO. 23-027

Undersheriff Williams presented information on Flock LPR placed in strategic places is a license reader connected to the National Crime Center. Each of the cities are interested in the system which will cost \$2,800 each installed and \$2,500 each per year. No action was taken at this time.

COMPUTER DEPARTMENT – KWIKOM:

Computer Director Jason Clubine was present to give information on the Broadband Infrastructure Program Awardees. Kwikom was not one of the ones awarded for Montgomery County. Commissioner Bever said the County will pull back our \$216,000 committed to the Broadband project and if Kwikom applies again the County will look at it again.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON ELECTED PERSONNEL – KSA 75-4913 (b1):

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to recess to Executive Session at 10:35 AM to return at 11:05 AM with the Board and Human Resources Director present to discuss matters related to non-elected personnel (KSA- 75-4913 b1). Motion was seconded by Commisioner Cordray.*

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

Returned to session at 11:02 AM stating no action to be taken.

Human Resources Director Becky Lewis presented her letter of resignation as Montgomery County Human Resources Director effective March 9, 2023. The Chairman accepted her resignation.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY RURAL FIRE DST. #1 – REPAIRS ON TYRO STATION TRUCK:

MCRF#1 District Chief Rick Whitson met with the Board to present bids on the repairs for the Tyro Station Truck. Bids were as follows:

Misfit Motors, Cherryvale, KS	\$16,273.36
Quality Motors, Independence, KS	\$18,505.11
	\$16,678.11
Steve Faulkner Ford, Chanute, KS	\$23,94.97

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve the repairs for the Tyro Station Truck in the amount of \$16,273.35 by Misfit Motors, Cherryvale, Ks. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

RES. 23-0

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Cereal Malt Beverage License-

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the Cerealt Malt Beverage License for Caney Golf Club, Caney, Ks and authorize the Chairman to sign in behalf of Montgomery County. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

RES. NO. 23-028

2. Financial Officer Fred Gress reported on the KAC meeting Commissioner Cordray and Mr. Gress attended in Topeka. They had the opportunity to speak with Representative Blex and Representative Bryce on several bills being voted on.

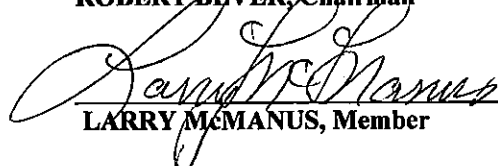
ADJOURNMENT: 11:12 PM

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

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

Closed the meeting and entered into Work Session at 11:17 AM.

Items discussed: County Health Job Discription and bond required. The Clerk will check with KCAMP to make sure the \$500.00 bond is covered for the County Health Director.

Micah Boulanger will be here to discuss the employee health plan and give updates to the Board.

Work Session closed at 12:05 PM.

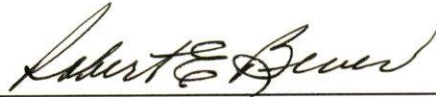
RESOLUTION NO. 23-026

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 13th day of February, 2023

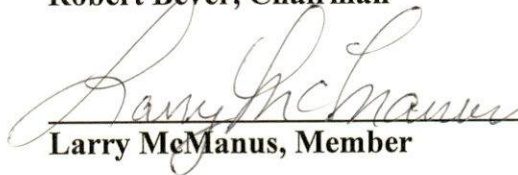
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Robert Bever, Chairman



Larry McManus, Member



Mike Cordray, Member



ATTEST:



Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 23-027

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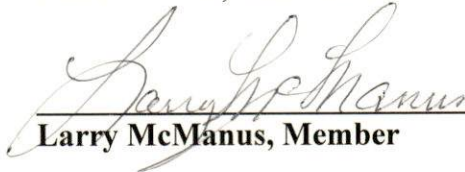
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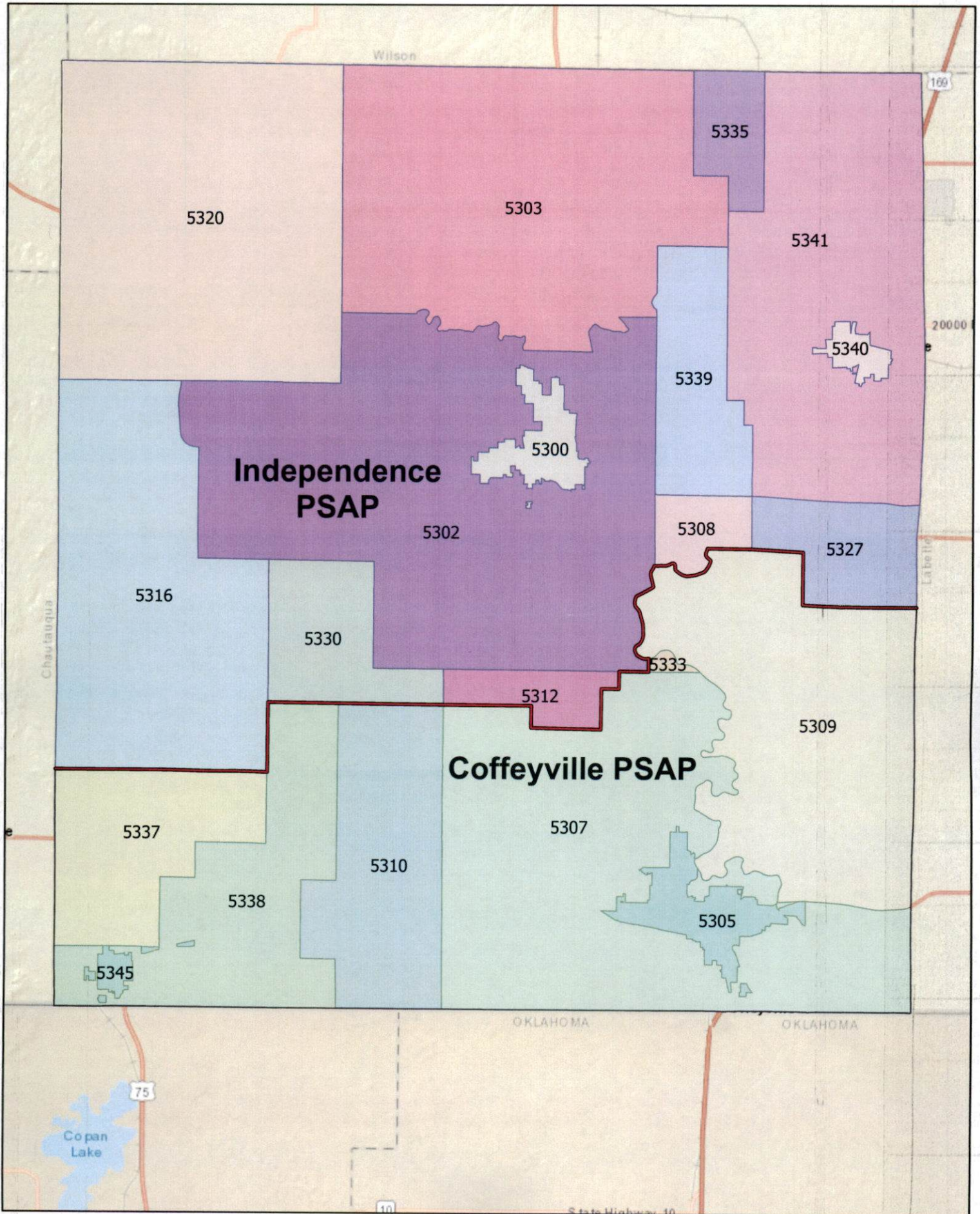
Mike Cordray, Member



ATTEST:


Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

Montgomery County



RESOLUTION NO. 23-028

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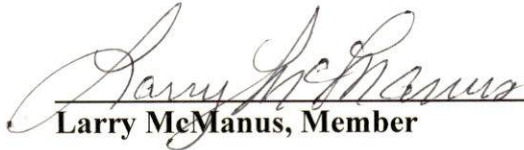
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