

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

April 24, 2023

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Cordray.

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Cordray.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner McManus.

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**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Letter from Kansas Department of Commerce awarding a Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Assistance to a Montgomery County resident.
2. Appreciation card from Mr. Riley Lukowski, former Director of Montgomery County Action Council.

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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 - Absent  
Commissioner McManus - Yes  
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 amount of \$162,534.27 as presented by the County Clerk's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Absent  
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 April 17, 2023 as presented by the County Clerk. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

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**14<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – KDOC GRANT:**

Community Corrections Director Dennis Webb met with the Board to present an update with amended budget. Mr. Webb explained to the Board he would be hiring one (1) more staff members due to population and the number of cases they are responsible for. He also discussed the Comprehensive Plan and applying for a KDOC Grant.

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the Comprehensive Plan and the amended budget for the 14<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Community Corrections Department. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 23-069

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

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

1. Signatures required on Asphalt Contract between Montgomery County and Heckert –  
***ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve and sign the Asphalt Contract between Montgomery County and Heckert Construction. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

*RES. NO. 23-070*

2. Signatures required on Chip & Seal Contract between Montgomery County and Circle C Paving and Construction, LLC –  
***ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve and sign the Chip & Seal Contracts between Montgomery County and Circle C Paving and Construction, LLC. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

*RES. NO. 23-071*

3. Presented information on costs and locations for the 2023 Asphalt and Chip & Seal project with maps –
4. Cash reports for Road & Bridge and Noxious Weed for the first quarter of 2023 –
5. The city of Neodesha has request an interlocal agreement with Montgomery County Household Hazardous Waste pickup for services. The Board approved the request for an agreement.
6. Mr. Wright requested a work session at the May 8, 2023 meeting to discuss bridges. He request 30 to 45 minutes for the work session. The Board approved the request.

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**SHERIFF RON WADE:**

Sheriff Ron Wade, Administrative Assistant Liz Schawatken and Undersheriff Chris Williams met with the Board to give an update on their restructuring of the department. Sheriff Wade reported that all registering of offenders will be registered in the Independence Office and no longer be registered at Coffeyville. Their will be a new position which will be a Registered Offender Deputy/Part Time Sheriff's Deputy. A job description for the new position was presented. The following action was taken.

***ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray instructing Sheriff Wade to proceed with the restricting of the Sheriff's Department. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

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**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:**

1. Child Care Aware of America Proclamation –

***ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to issue from Montgomery County a proclamation proclaiming May 12, 2023 as Child Care Aware of America recognizing Child Care Providers. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

*RES. NO. 23-072*

2. Neighborhood Revitalization Plan – 4031 US Highway 75, Independence, KS

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the application for Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for 4031 US Highway 75, Independence, KS. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Absent

Commissioner McManus – Yes

RES. NO. 23-073

Commissioner Cordray- Yes

3. Occupational License – Mackey’s Bar & Grill, Caney, KS

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve and issue an Occupational License to Mackey’s Bar & Grill, Caney, Kansas. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Absent

Commissioner McManus – Yes

Commissioner Cordray- Yes

RES. NO. 23-074

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ADJOURNMENT: 9:50 AM


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

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Absent

Commissioner McManus – Yes

Commissioner Cordray- Yes

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS



ROBERT BEVER, Chairman



LARRY McMANUS, Member



MIKE CORDRAY, Member

ATTEST:

  
County Clerk

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-074**

**DATED** at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023

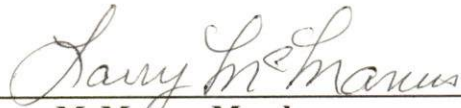
**WHEREAS:** *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve and issue an Occupational License to Mackey's Bar & Grill, Caney, Kansas.*

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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



**Robert Bever, Chairman**



**Larry McManus, Member**



**Mike Cordray, Member**



**ATTEST:**



**Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk**



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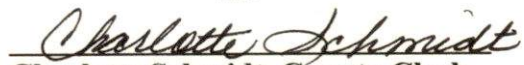
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**ATTEST:**

  
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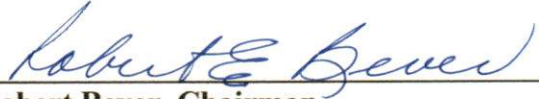
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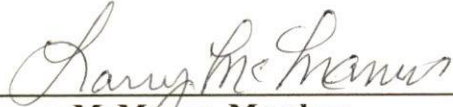
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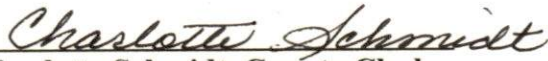
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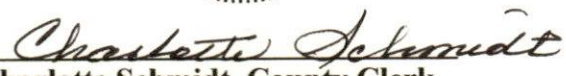
  
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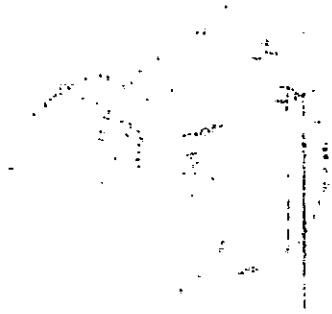
  
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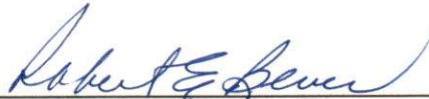
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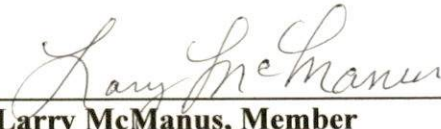
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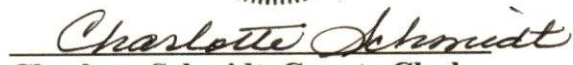
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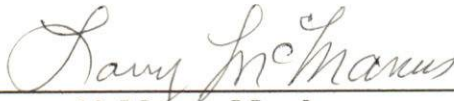
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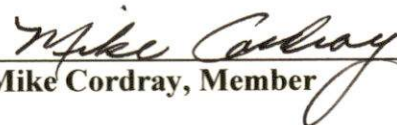
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