

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

May 1, 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 Cordray (Acting Chairman).

INVOCATION: Commissioner Cordray.

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:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner McManus to approve invoices in the amount of \$277,697.46 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 Bever to approve the minutes of April 24, 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*

AWOL – FUNDING FOR ANIMAL SHELTER:

Mr. Phillip Eastep met with the Board to request the \$2,000.00 allowed for the Independence AWOL Animal Shelter be increased for the 2024 budget due to expenses and the number of stray animals from the rural areas being brought to the shelter. He provided information on the rural area and Independence City. The number of stray animals brought to the shelter is about 500 with 300 being from the city of Independence and 200 from the rural areas. Funding provided by the city is \$3,000.00 per month.

Mr. Eastep requested the Commission consider an increase in order for the shelter to continue receive animals from the rural areas. The Board agreed to discuss the request when working with the 2024 budget for the County.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – TIRE PURCHASE:

Emergency Manager Rick Whitson presented purchasing information for 2 tires Size 12R 22.5 for Montgomery County Rural Fire truck in Cherryvale. The bids were as follows:

Misfit Motors, Cherryvale	\$1,250.00	Roadmaster
KC 24 hour truck repair	\$1,310.40	Roadmaster
Ashcraft Tire	\$1,268.92	Roadmaster
Dollar Tire	\$1,570.00	Ironman plus Service Call

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the purchase of two (2) size 12R 22.5 tires for Montgomery County Rural Fire Dist. No 1 (Cherryvale Station), from Misfit Motors, Cherryvale KS in the amount of \$1,250.00. Debit MCRF#1 Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO 23-075

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHERIFF – EXECUTIVE SESSION – KSA 75-4319 (b1) – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to recess to Executive Session at 9:17 AM to return at 9:32 AM with the Board, Sheriff Ron Wade, Administrative Assistant Liz Schwatken and Undersheriff Chris Williams to discuss job status, non-elected personnel KSA 75-4319 (b1). Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

Returned to session at 9:25 stating no decisions made and no action taken.

Sheriff Wade requested approval to post the Deputy position as discussed at a previous meeting. The Board approved the request.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Neighborhood Revitalization Application – 1254 CR 3900 Coffeyville

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of Montgomery County, the Neighborhood Revitalization Application, 1254 CR 3900 Coffeyville, KS. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

RES. NO. 23-076

2. County Finance Officer Fred Gress reported to the Board on a change that had to be made on wages paid to dispatchers in figuring overtime pay according to Department of Labor. The payroll had to be reviewed back two (2) years on hours of overtime and how calculated.
3. Mr. Ben Brubaker was introduced at the meeting as the new Human Resources Director effective May 1st.
4. The Board received the County Treasurer’s Statement of Funds.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:40 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

ATTEST:





County Clerk

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

Robert Bever, Chairman



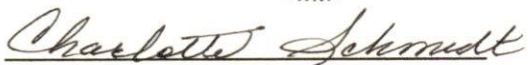
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