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 Cordray

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

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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

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APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve invoices in the amount of $16,000 Special Run for the Auto Tag Office 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 McManus to approve the minutes of December 27, 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

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE 2024:

Emergency Manager Rick Whitson and Assistant Manager Lee Miller met with the Board to present a resolution for approval for the Local Emergency Planning Committee for 2024 member update. The following action was taken:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the Resolution No. 24-001 as presented to the Board by Montgomery County Emergency Planning Committee member update for 2024. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.

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

RES. NO. 24-001

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PUBLIC WORKS:

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

1. Update regarding monitoring wells at the old landfill —
2. Requested permission to begin negotiations with landowners for Right-of-way purchases at Bridge 912 - Request was approved —
3. Discussed funding for High Risk Rural Road Program (HRRR) and the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) - The applications are due January 15, 2024.

FINANCIAL OFFICER – REIMBURSEMENT TO SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT:

Financial Officer Fred Gress discussed the reimbursement being made to the Sheriff’s Department from the State of Kansas. The funds were requested to be deposited in the General Fund with expenditures needed by the Sheriff’s Department to be discussed at the January 16th meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to recess to Executive Session at 9:37 AM to return at 9:52 AM with the Board present to discuss non-elected personnel (KSA 75-4319 (b1)). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McMamua - Yes
Commissioner Cordray - Yes

The meeting was extended to 10:02 AM with a motion by Commissioner Bever, seconded by Commissioner Cordray with all Commissioners voting yes.

Returned to session at 10:01 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Lease Agreement for 4081 CR 2350 –

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of Montgomery County for the County’s flood lease property located at 4081 CR 2350. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McMamua.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McMamua - Yes
Commissioner Cordray - Yes

RES. NO. 24-002

2. Neighborhood Revitalization on property located at 2592 CR 5600 –

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to authorize the Chairman to sign the Neighborhood Revitalization approving the application for 2592 CR 5600. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McMamua.

ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever - Yes
Commissioner McMamua - Yes
Commissioner Cordray - Yes

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ADJOURNMENT: 10:02 AM

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

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
RESOLUTION NO. 24-001

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 2nd day of January, 2024.

WHEREAS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the Resolution No. 24-001 as presented to the Board by Montgomery County Emergency Planning Committee member update for 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.

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
RESOLUTION No. 24-001

Dated at Montgomery County, Kansas this 2nd Day of January 2024.

WHEREAS on the 2nd day of January 2024, the Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County, Kansas does deem it prudent and necessary to continue planning for potential emergency and disaster events affecting the County.

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners has adopted Resolution 09-169 designating the National Incident Management System as the organizational system to be used for the management of emergency and disaster events in Montgomery County.

WHEREAS the United States Congress has passed the 1986 Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (known as EPCRA) and amendments thereto.

WHEREAS the state of Kansas has passed K.S.A. 65-5721, has created the Commission on Emergency Planning and Response (CEPR) to carry out requirements of EPRCA legislation.

WHEREAS the Commission on Emergency Planning and Response CEPR has directed each county within Kansas to form a Local Emergency Planning Committee (known as an LEPC) and required each County to nominate members for their respective LEPC and then submit these nominees to CEPR;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County Kansas does hereby nominate these persons as members of the Montgomery County LEPC for the year 2024.

Jim Wilson Coffeyville Regional Medical Center
David Adams Independence Community College
B. Beurskens Montgomery Co. Public Works Dept.
David Cowan City of Independence
Matt Debo Montgomery Co. Environmental Office
Erica Fredl 1st Student Transport
Lisa Helkenberg Independence Police Dept.
Josh Holt CVR Energy
Brandee Kirk Montgomery Co. Health Dept.
Tallon Mitchell John Deere – Coffeyville Works
Jeremy Romine Standard Motor Products
Mike Sragues Bartlett Grain Company
Ami Standridge Montgomery Co. Health Dept.
Jim Wright Montgomery Co. Public Works Dept.
Stacy Wright Independence Community College
Rick Whitson Montgomery Co. Em. Management
Neil Springer Labette Health
Tim Anderson Tessendorf Kerley, Inc.
Robert Bever III Bartlett Grain Co.
Mike Cordray County Commissioner
Eric Culbertson Tessendorf Kerley, Inc.
Steve Denny 4 County Mental Health
Jerry Harrison Independence Police Dept.
Dr. Greg Hennen 4 County Mental Health
Lacy King 4 County Mental Health
Lee Miller Montgomery Co. Em. Management
Chris Romine Standard Motor Products
Teresa Schaper Greenbush Education Ctr.
Kent Sprague Tessendorf Kerley, Inc.
Jason Wheeler Lower 3 Public Health Region
Shawn Wallis Independence Fire/EMS Dept.
Lura Tucker DaVita Dialysis

Dated the 2nd day of January 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS

Chairman, Robert Bever
Commissioner District 2, Larry McManus
Commissioner District 3, Mike Cordray

ATTEST:

Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk
RESOLUTION NO. 24-002

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 2nd day of January, 2024.

WHEREAS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of Montgomery County for the County's flood lease property located at 4081 CR 2350.

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
RESOLUTION NO. 24-003

DATED at Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas this 2nd day of January, 2024.

WHEREAS: A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to authorize the Chairman to sign the Neighborhood Revitalization approving the application for 2592 CR 5600.

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

Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk