

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

February 26, 2024

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

INVOCATION: Commissioner Robert Bever

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 Bever.*

*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 amounts of \$104,513.87, \$2,014.00, \$146,203.08, \$5,237.43 and \$56,302.24 for American Rescue Plan as presented by the County Clerk's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bever.*

*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 February 20, 2024 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*

PROTESTED TAXES – MR. JOE NEWMAN :

Mr. Joe Newman met with the Board on the increase on real estate taxes. He said he had paid his taxes for 2023 under protest. The County Appraiser, Melody Kikkert was in the meeting and presented information to the Board and Mr. Newman on his appeal. She explained how the real property is appraised and what it is based on for the valuation to figure the levied tax on.

Mr. Newman thanked her for the information and the County Appraiser asked him to contact her office if he had any questions.

COMMISSIONER BEVER:

Commissioner Bever brought several topics to the Board. He discussed a temporary psychologist from 4-County Mental Health to work with the Department of Corrections when needed. Considering getting a grant writer for the County, budget classes, financial policies and cell phones. There will be a work session March 11th to review the financial policies that are being prepared.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to recess to Executive Session at 9:48 AM to return at 9:58 AM with the Board present to discuss non-elected personnel (KSA 75-4319 b1). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordray.*

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

Returned to session at 9:58 AM stating no decisions made and no action to be taken.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Public Works Coordination Jim Wright met with the Board for signatures on two documents, Supplemental Construction Engineering Agreement on Project 63C5060101 and an agreement between Montgomery County, Chautauqua County and Labette County on the shared road responsibility. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the Supplemental Construction Engineering Agreement on Project 63C5060101. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 24-028

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the agreement between Montgomery County, Chautauqua County and Labette County on shared road responsibility. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 24-029

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Request from Coffeyville Unified School District No. 445 and the Coffeyville Coalition for Early Education are considering submitting a grant to increase the capacity for community childcare needs and a new center for Parents as Teachers program. They are requesting to submit the grant in partnership with the county. The following action was taken:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the request of the Coffeyville Unified School District No. 445 and the Coffeyville Coalition for Early Education for the County to partnership in applying for a grant to increase the capacity for community childcare needs and a new center for Parents as Teachers program. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 24-030

2. Neighborhood Revitalization Plan:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the application for Neighborhood Revitalization for 5147 CR 2200, Coffeyville. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 24-031

3. Annexation to the City of Independence of property by Mr. Trevor Bruening. Mr. Bruening will be notified this will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:15 AM

Work Session: 10:16 AM

The work session was opened by the Chairman with the Board, Finance Officer, Human Resources Director, Kenneth Fecke and Dennis Webb from the 14th Judicial District Community Corrections.

Discussion on the functions of the two positions and if it should be a combined position, the juvenile portion and the adults. No changes were considered at this time.

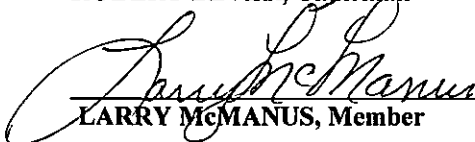
Work Session ended at 10:55 AM

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

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

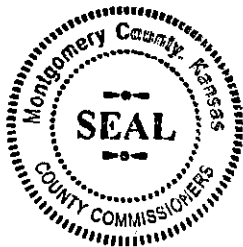
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ROBERT BEVER, Chairman


LARRY McMANUS, Member


MIKE CORDRAY, Member

ATTEST:




County Clerk

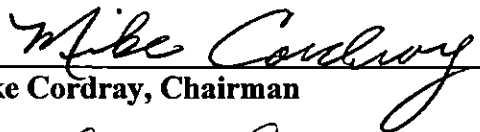
RESOLUTION NO. 24-028

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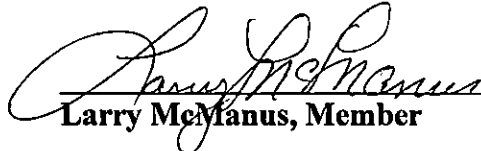
WHEREAS: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the Supplemental Construction Engineering Agreement on Project 63C5060101.*

Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

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



Mike Cordray, Chairman



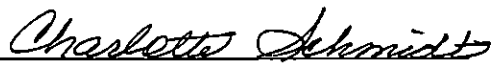
Larry McManus, Member



Robert Bever, Member



ATTEST:



Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 24-029

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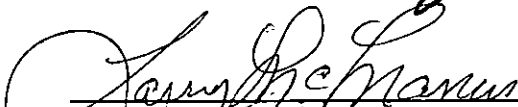
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Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.


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



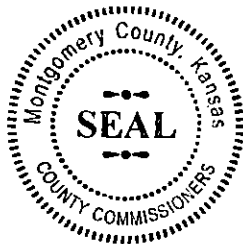
Mike Cordray, Chairman



Larry McManus, Member



Robert Bever, Member



ATTEST:



Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 24-030

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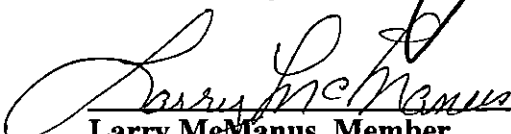
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Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

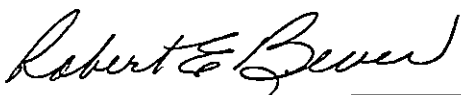
*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever- Yes
Commissioner McManus – Yes
Commissioner Cordray- Yes*



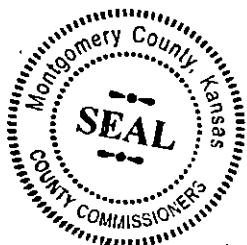
Mike Cordray, Chairman



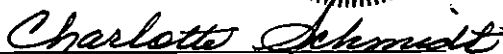
Larry McManus, Member



Robert Bever, Member



ATTEST:



Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 24-031

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WHEREAS: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cordray to approve the application for Neighborhood Revitalization for 5147 CR 2200, Coffeyville.*

Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus


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



Mike Cordray, Chairman



Larry McManus, Member



Robert Bever, Member

ATTEST:





Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk