

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

March 11, 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 Bever

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner McManus.

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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 Bever.*

*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 \$5,020.38, \$222,071.02 (Mid-Month), \$6,081.00 (Encumbered Prepays) and \$31,260.28 (Prepays) as presented by the County Clerk's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

*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 Bever approve the minutes of March 4, 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*

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**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Thank you letter from Independence High School for the help with the After Prom.

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**PUBLIC WORKS:**

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

1. Signature required on the Noxious Weed Eradication Report for 2023 –
2. Signature required on the 2024 Weed Management Plan –

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the Board to sign the Noxious Weed Eradication Report for 2023 and the Weed Management Plan for 2024. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 24-037

**PUBLIC WORKS – (Continued):**

**PUBLIC ROAD VIEWING NOTICE:**

The Chairman of the Board proceeded to the Public Road Viewing with the Board, County Clerk, Public Works Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator present.

The Road Notice, was read to the public by the Chairman and asked for public input as to the closing of the road. There being no public input, the portion of the meeting or the Road Viewing was closed.

The following action was taken:

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the closure of the following described:*

*A tract of land previously used by road purposes, being a portion of County Road 6200 mile 16 (formerly Wagon Road 531), as shown in the Road Record Books located in the Montgomery County Public Works Department, said tract being 40 feet in width, 20 feet from either side of the centerline of the existing road, as the road lays, and described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of Section 8 Township 31 South, Range 16 East, Montgomery County, thence East along the centerline of the existing roadway, a distance of 5,280 feet, more or less; to the southeast corner of Section 8, Township 31 South, Range 16 East, Montgomery County.*

*Also;*

*A tract of land, previously used for road purposes, being a portion of County Road 4100 mile 26 (formerly Wagon Road 103), as shown in the Road Record Books located in the Montgomery County Public Works Department, said tract being 60 feet in width, and described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of Section 8 Township 31 South, Range 16 East, Montgomery County; thence North along the centerline of the existing roadway, a distance of 500 feet, more or less; to the intersection with US Highway 400.*

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

*RES. NO. 24-038*

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**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:**

1. Ms. Gina Kelley met with the Board to address environmental issues and the position of County Administrator, hoping the person filling the position will be aware of what has and is happening to our environment. The Board thanked her for the concerns and addressing the Board.
2. Register of Deeds End of Month Report.
3. County Clerk's End of Month Report.
4. Cereal Malt Beverage License for Caney Golf Club –

**ACTION:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the issuance of a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Caney Valley Golf Club. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

*RES/ MP/ 24-039*

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5. The next Regular Meeting will be held Thursday, March 21, 2024 in place of the regular meeting on Monday March 18, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:40 AM

**ACTION:** Motion by Commissioner Bever to adjourn the regular session and go into a work session at 9:50 Amr. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.

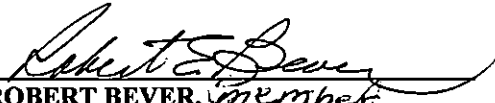
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Commissioner Cordray- Yes

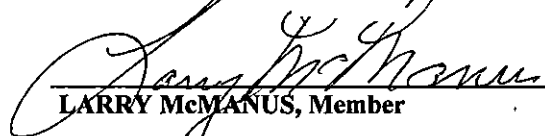
Work Session:

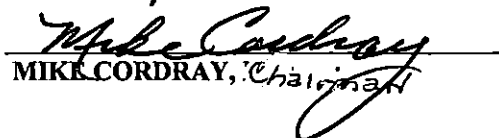
The work session was discussion on plans for the posting of the new County Administrator position. The length of time to post the position was discussed possibly to be 30 days beginning when it was officially decided at a regular Commission meeting on March 25, 2024. This will be presented at the regular meeting by the HR Director.

Work Session ended at 11:05 AM.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS

  
ROBERT BEVER, member

  
LARRY McMANUS, Member

  
MIKE CORDRAY, Chairman

ATTEST:



  
County Clerk

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-037**

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*Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

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Mike Cordray, Chairman

  
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Larry McManus, Member

  
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Robert Bever, Member

**ATTEST:**



  
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Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk

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*ROLL CALL VOTE - Commissioner Bever- Yes  
Commissioner McManus – Yes  
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Mike Cordray, Chairman

*Larry McManus*  
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Larry McManus, Member

*Robert Bever*  
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Robert Bever, Member

**ATTEST:**

*Charlotte Schmidt*  
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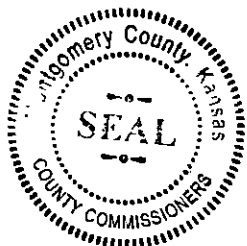
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**WHEREAS:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve the issuance of a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Caney Valley Golf Club.*

*Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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



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Mike Cordray, Chairman

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Larry McManus, Member

*Robert E. Bever*  
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Robert Bever, Member

**ATTEST:**

*Charlotte Schmidt*  
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Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk