

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

November 18, 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: Reverend Melvin Simpson, First Church of God in Christ, Coffeyville.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner McManus.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever 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*

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve invoices in the amount of \$172,290.00 (Mid-Month) and American Rescue Funds for MCAC \$47,670.00 and Yerkes & Michel's \$30,912.05 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*

Minutes will be approved with the November 18, 2024 minutes.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JONATHAN BOOE:

1. Discussed the Community Engagement for the RAISE Grant –
2. Transfer of American Rescue Plan Act resolution – Mr. Booe presented a resolution to the Board for the transfer of the county's remaining ARPA funds in the amount of \$719,717.50 to the Montgomery County Economic Development Incentive Fund and it must comply with ARPA eligibility criteria and reporting requirements.

ACTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Bever to approve and adopt Montgomery County Resolution No. 24-161 authorizing the transfer of up to \$719,717.50 from the ARPA funds account to the Montgomery County Economic Development Incentive Fund in accordance with the federal guidelines set forth under the American Rescue Plan Act to ensure the funds are used for eligible economic development activities. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McManus.*

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

RES. NO. 24-161

PUBLIC WORKS:

Public Works Interim Coordinator Brandon Beurskens met with the Board to present the weekly written report. The following items were discussed:

1. A letter for Kansas Department of Transportation on cost share application for the CR 1400 Relocation CR 2800 Road Improvements.
2. Presented an update on the low water crossing on CR 6200.

CANVASS OF VOTES – NOVEMBER 5, GENERAL ELECTION:

The Board of County Commissioners and Ms. Carol Sanders, representing the Democratic Party, served as the Board of Canvassers for the November 5, General Election.

The Canvass began at 9:45 AM and ended at 11:05 AM. The canvass resulted in no changes on election results. The tie votes resulting from no candidates filing for several township offices was resolved by the Canvass Board drawing names to determine the results for the “write-in” township offices.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS:

1. Montgomery County Treasurers End of the Year Settlement Report.

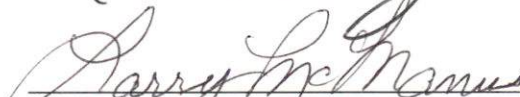
ADJOURNMENT: 11:15 AM

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**


MIKE CORDRAY, Chairman


LARRY McMANUS, Member


ROBERT BEVER, Member

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Resolution No. 24-161

A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County, Kansas, Authorizing the Transfer of up to \$719,717.50 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds Account to the Economic Development Incentive Fund

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County, Kansas, recognizes the need to support economic development initiatives that will foster growth and prosperity within the county; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the transfer of funds to the Economic Development Incentive Fund is a strategic investment that aligns with the county's economic development goals and priorities; and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds have been allocated to Montgomery County to address the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, and these funds are encumbered per federal guidelines to ensure they are used for eligible purposes that promote recovery and growth; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to transfer four hundred nineteen thousand dollars (\$419,000) from the ARPA funds account to the Economic Development Incentive Fund, while ensuring full compliance with ARPA federal guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Authorization of Transfer

The Board hereby authorizes the transfer of up to seven hundred nineteen thousand seven hundred seventeen dollars and fifty cents (\$719,717.50) from the ARPA funds account to the Economic Development Incentive Fund. This transfer shall be conducted in accordance with the federal guidelines set forth under the American Rescue Plan Act to ensure the funds are used for eligible economic development activities.

2. Use of Funds

The transferred funds shall be used to support projects and initiatives that stimulate economic growth, job creation, and business development within Montgomery County. All expenditures from the Economic Development Incentive Fund must comply with ARPA eligibility criteria and reporting requirements.

3. Compliance with ARPA Guidelines

The Board affirms that the use of these funds will adhere strictly to the federal guidelines associated with the ARPA grant and shall ensure that all expenditures are documented, reported, and audited in compliance with Federal, State, Local, and ARPA regulations.

4. Administration and Oversight

The County Administrator is authorized to oversee the administration of the transferred funds, ensuring they are allocated to eligible economic development projects.

5. Effective Date

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Montgomery County Board of County Commission.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS, THIS 18th, DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE – Commissioner Bever - Yes

Commissioner McManus - Yes

Commissioner Cordray - Yes

Mike Cordray
Mike Cordray, Chairman

Larry McManus
Larry McManus, Member

Robert E. Bever
Robert Bever, Commissioner



Attest:

Charlotte Schmidt
Charlotte Schmidt, County Clerk