

BOARD OF McPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA
for
April 20, 2026

**Commission Meetings are being held at the Public Works Dept. Meeting Room
1115 W. Avenue A, McPherson, KS during the renovation project at the County Building**

9:00 a.m. - The following items will be discussed as time permits -

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes
- C. Approval of Checks and Claims & Payroll
- D. Adds & Abates
- E. Personnel
- F. CMB Notice to Township
- G. Township Appointment
- H. Airport Board Appointment
- I. General Correspondence

9:00 a.m. Public Input

9:05 a.m. Sheriff Montagne -

Non-elected Personnel

9:10 a.m. Emily Yates, Director of Emergency Management/911 Communications -

Cell Phone Purchases

9:15 a.m. David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director -

- A. Approval to purchase concrete blocks
- B. Approval to purchase a 2027 Plow/Dump Truck
- C. Non-elected Personnel
- D. Department Updates

9:30 a.m. Jeff Butler, IT Coordinator -

Electrical work at the Law Enforcement Center

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2026

April 13, 2026

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting & Work Sessions (Public Works & Planning/Zoning/Environment)

Chairman Becker & Commissioner Kueser - Present

Commissioner O'Dell - Absent

Chairman Becker opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner O'Dell was absent from the meeting. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda for April 13, 2026 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:02 a.m., during Public Input, Sheriff Montagne presented weekly arrest numbers, jail counts, and recent department activities.

At 9:04 a.m., Sheriff Montagne presented two items:

- A. A request to approve a Personnel Change Notice (PCN) to end the introductory period for Sergeant Archuleta (19E), effective April 26, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. A request to approve a PCN to end the introductory period for Deputy Britting (17B), effective April 26, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:06 a.m., Captain Blevins joined the meeting to request approval of a PCN to hire Stephanie Helming as a Correctional Officer (14A), effective April 27, 2026, to fill a vacancy. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:08 a.m., Laurie Wizarde, Register of Deeds requested approval of a PCN for the promotion of Sheila Malm to a Clerk II (10B), effective April 26, 2026. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the PCN as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve adds and abates for April 10, 2026 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve accounts payable and encumbrances for April 13, 2026, and payroll for pay period ending April 11, 2026 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign a PCN on behalf of the County Attorney to hire Rachel Ingram as a Trial Clerk/Diversion Coordinator (11E), effective April 20, 2026, to fill a vacancy. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:15 a.m., David Bohnenblust, Public Works Director, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. Mike Evans, Fleet Maintenance Foreman presented a request to purchase parts to repair a damaged swing frame on the 2008 Caterpillar backhoe (#81). Following a review of bids and discussion, Commissioner Kueser made a motion to allow the purchase of parts from Foley CAT for an amount not to exceed \$3,899.17, including shipping, as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. Elizabeth Hopp, Project Engineer, presented an update on the KDOT Traffic Engineering Assistance Program (TEAP) Study, specifically regarding the crash history at two (2) McPherson County intersections including Arrowhead Road & Old 81, and 22nd Avenue & Old 81. Recommended options for improved traffic control were discussed.
- C. Ms. Hopp presented updates on the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SSRA) grant program as well as updates regarding specific county bridge conditions and progress of bridge projects.

Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve and sign the minutes from April 6, 2026 as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Chairman Becker read a proposed proclamation designating April 2026 as National & Kansas County Government Month. Commissioner Kueser made a motion for the Chairman to sign the proclamation as presented. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 9:41 a.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to recess for a ten (10) minute break then to reconvene for work sessions with the Public Works and Planning/Zoning/Environment departments. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.** At 1:40 p.m., Commissioner Kuser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Becker seconded. **All voted aye.**

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht

Keith Becker, Chairman

ABSENT

David O'Dell, Vice Chairman

Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk

UNOFFICIAL

TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Rick Witte *RW*
DATE: April 15, 2026
Re: Township Appointment

REQUEST FOR ACTION

I received an email from Alan Waltner, Mound Township Trustee, with an attached Letter of Resignation from Stuart Modellmog, Mound Township Treasurer, effective April 13, 2026.

Alan Waltner and Gary Regier, Township Clerk, are recommending the appointment of Reed Gleason, 2316 Apache Rd, Moundridge to fill the remaining term as Mound Township Treasurer.

TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Rick Witte
DATE: April 16, 2026
Re: Airport Authority Board Appointment

REQUEST FOR ACTION

The BOCC has a vacant position to fill on the McPherson Airport Authority Board following the resignation of Bev Kavouras. I talked to John Godfrey, Galva, and he is interested in filling the unexpired term ending December 31, 2028.

The Airport Board includes five members with two appointed by McPherson City and two appointed by the County with one member selected by the Airport Board Members at large.

REQUEST FOR ACTION

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS McPherson County Kansas

COMMISSION MEETING DATE: 04-20-2026

AGENDA ITEM: A

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT: Public Works ** 241-0466

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Kevin Erickson , Road Superintendent

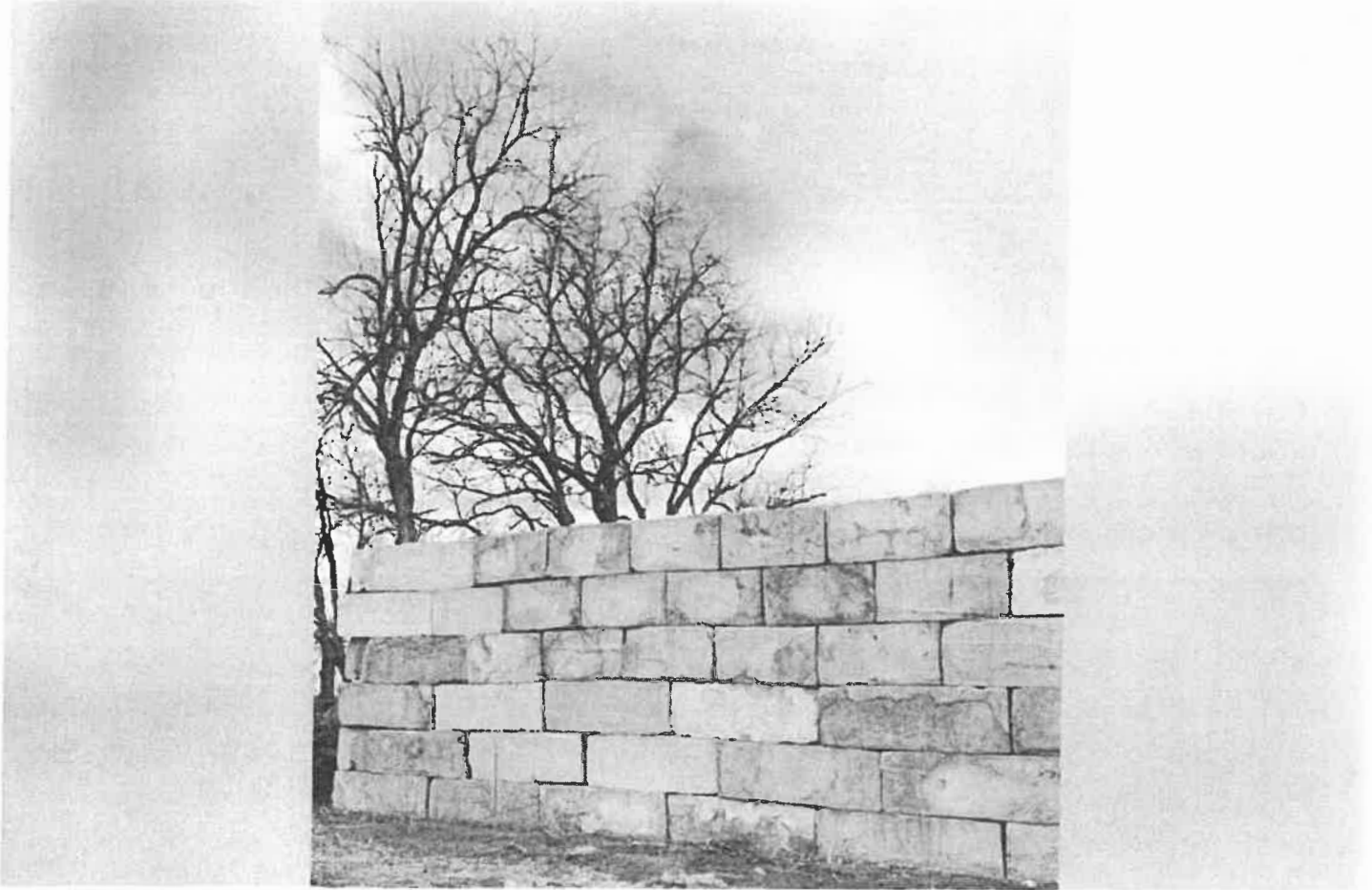
REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION: Discussion of purchase of Concrete blocks
80- 2x2x6 Blocks
72- 2x2x4 Blocks

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

BUDGET IMPACT: \$ 9000.00 for all

COMMISSION ACTION: *Approved* *Denied*

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Sold · Concrete blocks

\$75

Garden & Outdoor

Listed 3 weeks ago in Inman, KS

Item is sold

Save

Share

Details

*Johnathan Froese
620-755-4888*

Condition

Used - like new

Log in or sign up for Facebook to connect with friends, famil...

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REQUEST FOR ACTION

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS McPherson County Kansas

**COMMISSION
MEETING DATE:**

April 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM:

B.

**REQUESTING
DEPARTMENT:**

Public Works; (620) 241-0466

**STAFF PERSON
RESPONSIBLE:**

Mike Evans, Shop Foreman

**REQUEST FOR
CONSIDERATION:**

Discuss and approve the request to purchase a 2027 Plow/Dump Truck.

Vendor quotes attached.

Recommendation is to purchase from MHC Kenworth, Salina, at a total cost of \$252,686.00. The bid met all of the truck specifications and came in at the lowest cost to McPherson County. Build time for the truck will be 8 weeks and upfit an additional 6 weeks.

**ALTERNATIVES
FOR ACTION:**

1. Approve request.
2. Deny request.
3. Table request.

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve request.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Equipment Purchase

**COMMISSION
ACTION:**

Approved Denied



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C O U N T Y , K S

McPherson County Public Works has received bids on a new 2027 Plow/Dump truck. It is recommended we purchase the truck from MHC Kenworth Salina KS. This bid met all of the truck specifications and came in at the lowest cost to McPherson County. Build time for the truck will be 8 weeks and upfit an additional 6 weeks.

MHC Kenworth	\$252,686.00
Bruckner's (MACK)	\$294,966.50
Truck Center Co. (Freightliner)	\$299,966.00
GTG Peterbilt	\$312,412.50
Wichita Kenworth	\$347,076.41



April 7, 2026
 McPherson County Public Works
 1115 W. Ave. A
 McPherson, Kansas 67460

Thank you for the opportunity to earn your business and be a part of your vehicle purchase. We are pleased to present the following proposal for the Kenworth T880 Day Cab Dump Truck with Plow and with the Paccar MX-13 engine:

- **2026 2nd Quarter Build for a T880 Dump Truck w Plow** **\$252,686.00**
 - Paccar MX-13 Engine 455HP @ 1600 RPM
 - Paccar TX-18 Pro 18 Speed Automated Transmission
 - Hendrickson Haulmax EX 400, 40K suspension
 - Buyers Snowplow
 - Roadforce semi-elliptical dump bed

Additional Details:

- Truck deliveries will be determined based on Kenworth build schedule at time of signed sales order.
- Payment must be received upon delivery to MHC Kenworth Salina, Kansas
- Any cost increase as the result of regulatory mandates, force majeure (including but not limited to material shortages) or government tariffs are not included in the quoted price and will be the responsibility of the customer.

Additional Included Options:

The extended warranty that we discussed is as follows:

Engine/ aftertreatment - 7 year/200K miles	
Engine:	\$4161
Aftertreatment:	\$2641
Transmission - 5 year/ unlimited miles	
Transmission:	\$1555
Clutch:	\$990

If there are any options that you would like to add to the truck, or remove, please contact us and we will assist you in making any changes that are necessary.



**MHC Kenworth
 Salina**

2301 North Ohio Street
 Salina, Kansas 67401
 A Division of Kansas Kenworth, Inc.

785.823.9700
 785.823.6677 fax

mhc.com

Thank you again for the opportunity to quote your truck needs and be long-term partners. Please sign below as your acceptance of this new truck proposal.

REQUEST FOR ACTION

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS McPherson County Kansas

**COMMISSION
MEETING DATE:**

April 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM:

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**REQUESTING
DEPARTMENT:**

Public Works; (620) 241-0466

**STAFF PERSON
RESPONSIBLE:**

Dave Bohnenblust, Public Works Director

**REQUEST FOR
CONSIDERATION:**

Public Works project updates.

**ALTERNATIVES
FOR ACTION:**

1. Approve request.
2. Deny request.
3. Table request.

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:**

No request made.

BUDGET IMPACT:

**COMMISSION
ACTION:**

Approved Denied

Hedlund Electric Inc.

Box 528
McPherson, KS 67460
620-241-3757
620-241-3152 fax

April 15th, 2026

Atten: Jeff Butler

Project: Remove electrical panel ER in the basement off the UPS system and rework existing 20-amp outlets in the two I.T rooms back to the ER panel in the McPherson County Jail basement.

Division: Electrical

Hedlund Electric is pleased to present this “Estimate” for the electrical work below.

1. Hedlund to remove the feeder circuit currently feeding panel ER in the south I.T closet from the UPS system.
2. Hedlund to supply and install all materials to refeed this E.R panel off the east generator.
3. Hedlund to rework the existing outlets in the northeast I.T room into the E.R panel. These circuits are the following. Circuit #1, # 7, #9, #21, and #23.
4. Hedlund to supply all tools and PPE to complete this scope of work.
5. Any additional work not spelled out in the scope of work above will be billed out on a Time and Material basis.

Total Price: \$3,484.00

(Three Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and 00/100)

Hedlund Electric's proposal *excludes* the following:

Overtime

Any Patching or painting

Any Taxes



Jake Hedlund
Project Manager
620-241-3757 office
620-242-2318 cell
jake@hedlundelectric.com

Note: The price is good for 10 days after the proposal date.

By signing below, I accept this proposal and agree to the Terms and Conditions contained herein

Customer Name (Printed)

Authorized Signature

Date

TO: Board of McPherson County Commissioners
 FROM: Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager
 DATE: April 20, 2026

April	20	Monday	9:00 a.m.	-Meeting of Board of County Commissioners
April	21	Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	-Budget Presentations
April	22-24	Wed. - Fri.	5:30 p.m.	-KCCA Annual Conference, Hutchinson, KS
April	25	Sat.	11:00 a.m.	-Meadowlark Trail Grand Opening/National Rails to Trails Day 2026 Meadowlark Trail Entrance off Quivira Rd.
April	27	Monday	9:00 a.m.	-Meeting of Board of County Commissioners
April	28	Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	-Budget Presentations

May	4	<u>NO COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING THIS WEEK</u>		
May	8	<u>FRIDAY - COUNTY HOLIDAY - ALL SCHOOLS DAY</u>		
May	11	Monday	9:00 a.m.	-Meeting of Board of County Commissioners
May	18	Monday	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	-Meeting of Board of County Commissioners -Work Session at Public Works
May	25	<u>MONDAY - COUNTY HOLIDAY - MEMORIAL DAY</u>		

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