

**McPherson County Board of Commissioners**  
**Minutes of Proceedings**  
**August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Feickert called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Members present were Jeff Neuharth, Delmar Metzger, and Anthony Kunz. Absent: Rick Beilke

Burn Ban

Neuharth moved and Kunz seconded to lift the burn ban that was implemented on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to go into executive session at 8:35AM to discuss personnel matters. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to exit executive session at 8:45AM. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The following action was taken Neuharth moved and Kunz seconded to advertise for the position of Director of Equalization. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

At 9:20AM Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters. All voted in favor. Motion carried. At 9:35AM Kunz moved and Neuharth seconded to exit executive session. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The following action was taken Neuharth moved and Kunz seconded to place Dean Geffre on a six-month probationary period. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Doug Hatlewick

Doug Hatlewick came before the board to discuss with the board about starting a Jr. firefighting program in Leola. He questioned if there would be workman comp coverage for the individuals. The county Auditor get some information from the SDML.

Highway Department

The highway superintendent has the cement, spray foam, and plumbing contractors all lined up to finish the work on the Leola Shop. The highway superintendent is working on getting a hydrology study done at the Leola Dam and has been working with the South Dakota School & Public lands to figure out funding for the needed improvements. Discussion was held on the possible bike path trail that the City of Leola is working on.

Maintenance Department

Metzger moved and Kunz seconded to order the needed parts to repair the lift. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Discussion was held on propane for the courthouse.

At 9:55AM Kunz moved and Metzger seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller  
McPherson County Auditor

Sid Feickert  
Chairman of Board of Commissioners