

McPherson County Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Proceedings
August 6th, 2013

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 6th, 2013 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Metzger called the meeting to order at 9:00AM. Members present were: Jeffrey Neuharth, Sid Feickert, Jim Schumacher, and Rick Beilke. Others present were Don Kallenberger.

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to approve the agenda and the minutes from the July 2nd, 2013 meeting of the Board of Commissioners and Drainage Board. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED:

A&B Business Solutions, Supplies, \$339.56; Aberdeen Asphalt, Highway Supplies, \$8,118.07; Ameripride Linen, Supplies, \$385.40; Art's Body Shop, Sheriff Pickup Decal, \$515.00; AT&T Mobility, Cell Phones, \$819.62; Bureau of Information & Telecommunications, Teletype Services, \$2250.00; Butler Machinery, Highway Supplies, \$436.38; Carlsen Funeral Home, Indigent Cremation, \$900.00; Connecting Point, Networking, \$115.00; Connecting Point, Conference Registration, \$50.00; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, Highway Supplies, \$12,288.16; Curt's Repair, Highway Supplies, \$113.54; Dakota Electronics, Radio Repair, \$77.10; Dependable Sanitation, Garbage, \$249.00; DMI, Highway Supplies, \$215.87; Edmunds County Sheriff, Prisoner Care, \$1100.00; Edmunds County, Hotel Room Reimbursement, \$70.36; Eureka City, Water & Sewer, \$44.86; Eureka Community Hospital, Community Nursing Services, \$7000.00; Eureka Fire Department, Fire Tax Distribution, \$5142.31; Eureka Plumbing & Heating, Highway Supplies, \$44.10; FEM Electric, Electric Bill, \$153.86; Fischer's Plumbing, Highway Supplies, \$38.10; Flint Hills, Highway Supplies, \$80,837.70; GCR Tire Control, Highway Supplies, \$2145.60; Dean Geffre, Clothing Reimbursement, \$94.98; Gene's Oil Company, Fuel, \$13,460.43; Heartland Waste, Garbage, \$50.00; Hedahl's, Highway Supplies, \$10.37; Homestead Building Supplies, Supplies, \$92.39; Hosmer Fire Department, Fire Tax Distribution, \$649.05; Jebro, Highway Supplies, \$5174.24; Dawn Jenner, Mileage, \$109.15; JP Lumber, Highway Supplies, \$416.88; K & A Implement, Highway Supplies, \$357.64; Donald Kallenberger, Reimbursements, \$1048.90; Ken's Food Fair, Highway Supplies, \$33.77; Kimball Midwest, Highway Supplies, \$685.07; Patricia Larman, Blood Alcohol Test, \$50.00; Leola City, Water & Sewer, \$460.80; Leola Fire Department, Fire Tax Distribution, \$5385.86; Leola Grocery, Supplies, \$88.99; Long Lake Town, Sewer & Water, \$144.00; Long Lake Fire Department, Fire Tax Distribution, \$1185.59; Mac's Inc., Highway Supplies, \$92.15; Mac's Electric, Repairs, \$628.90; Jenna Malsam, Mileage & Meals, \$182.92; MARC, Supplies, \$358.50; McPherson

County Treasurer, Postage, \$19.80; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$198.12; MDU, Electric Bill, \$640.96; Microfilm Imaging Systems, Rental Equipment, \$85.00; NCFE, Oil Change & Highway Supplies, \$1668.35; ND Sheriff & Deputy Association, Conference Registration, \$75.00; Neve's Uniform & Equipment, Joint Law Boots, \$299.90; North Star Energy, Propane, \$900.78; Northwest Blade, Publishing, \$247.63; Northern Plains Coop; Highway Supplies, \$85.52; PERU, Inmate Medical Insurance, \$48.80; Pro Ag Supply, Repairs, \$139.91; Quill Corp., Supplies, \$425.78; Sid Schaible, Tire Caesings, \$100.00; SDAAO, Conference Registration, \$340.00; SDACO, June M & P Fee, \$90.00; Linda Shank, Assistance, \$190.00; Share Corporation, Highway Supplies, \$384.30; Stanley Spitzer, Supply Reimbursement, \$66.16; State Treasurer, July Sales & Excise Tax, \$30.89; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$79,445.82; Stan Houston Equipment, Highway Supplies, \$92.41; State Property Management, Highway Supplies, \$1000.00; Taser International, Taser Cartridges, \$294.36; Tools Plus Industries, Highway Supplies, \$235.71; Tri-State Water, Courthouse Water, \$164.60; USPS, Postage, \$230.00; Valley Telco, Phone & Internet, \$670.03; VISA, Highway Visa Bill, \$576.81; Ricardo Weisbeck, New Shop in Eureka, \$28,133.27; West McPherson EMS, Ambulance Reimbursement, \$4463.00; Becky Wolff, Supply Reimbursement, \$10.59

Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to approve the foregoing claims. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

Commissioners, \$3700.00; Auditor, \$4980.20; Treasurer, \$5207.42; State's Attorney, \$3298.06; Government Building, \$2476.96; Director of Equalization, \$5207.42; Register of Deeds, \$4406.73; Veteran Service Officer, \$1238.58; Sheriff, \$4380.97; Extension, \$1999.25; Weed, \$642.72; Road & Bridge, \$31,966.79; Emergency & Disaster, \$635.06; Joint Law, \$2773.33

McPherson County Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$5800.33

Insurance: American Family, \$426.33; Wellmark, \$7600.00; Vision Care, \$166.25;

Metlife, \$150.71

Retirement: South Dakota Retirement System, \$4524.24

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:

Northeastern Mental Health

A representative from Northeastern Mental Health came and gave an annual report on the services that Northeastern Mental Health offers and explained how the allocation that McPherson County gives them annually helps to provide these services to the residents of McPherson County.

2014 Provisional Budget

Beilke moved and Feickert seconded to approve the 2014 provisional budget for McPherson County with expenditure apportions in the amount of \$3,805,964. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Surplus Property

Schumacher moved and Neuharth seconded to surplus the extension office copy machine. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Authorizations

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to approve the following meeting authorizations: Dawn Jenner, Emergency Manager Conference, September 9th-12th; Darrell Pfeifle and Harvey Schaible, Veteran Service Officer Training, August 26th-28th; Lindsey Gill, State Fair, August 28th. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Firewall and Trend Renewal

Schumacher moved and Feickert seconded to upgrade to a Sonicwall TZ 105 Totalsecure router and to renew the trend anti-virus for 17 computers. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Beilke moved and Feickert seconded to extend our health plan and rates and to have our renewal plan-year date for Wellmark products changed to December 1st, 2013 locking in our plan and rates through November 30th, 2014. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Pioneer Museum

Representatives from Pioneer Museum presented their financial information and asked if McPherson County would be willing to give them some financial support. No action was taken on this matter.

NECOG Appointment

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to appoint Glenn Spitzer to the NECOG Board to replace Neil Geffre. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Drainage Board

At 10:30AM Feickert moved and Metzger seconded to meet as the McPherson County Drainage Commission. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The commission met concurrently with the Board of Commissioners, and their minutes are listed in a separate section.

Executive Session

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to enter into executive session at 10:50AM to discuss personnel and indigent matters. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Beilke moved and Neuharth seconded to exit executive session at 11:40PM. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion followed concerning current litigation involving the discharge of a former employee and that notwithstanding the employee's status as an "at-will" employee Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to authorize the county's attorney to enter into negotiations in an attempt to settle the matter within

the parameters discussed with the State's Attorney while in executive session. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

The construction of the cold storage shed in Eureka is about complete, the highway superintendent estimates that the highway employees will be able to have it completed with another full day of work on the building. The road work that the highway superintendent has scheduled for this year is being completed on time. Representatives from RDO Equipment and Butler Machinery were present and discussed McPherson County purchasing a new Motor Grader. Neuharth moved Beilke seconded to purchase a 2014 Caterpillar Model 140M2AWDB for \$258,240.00 from Butler Machinery. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The 2014 Motor Grader will be delivered and paid for after January 1st, 2014.

Miscellaneous Items and Reports

Becky Wolff will get quotes for cutting down some of the dead trees at the courthouse. The following items and reports were approved. The second quarter reports for Harvey Schaible and Darrell Pfeifle, Register of deeds statement of fees collected during the month of July 2013 for the amount of \$4206.25. Register of deeds modernization and preservation fees collected during the month of July 2013 \$370.00. Auditor's Account with the Treasurer: Total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$115,103.83; Total amount of actual cash, \$858.27; Total amount of checks and drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$2,163.36; Miscellaneous cash, \$19.80; CD's, \$992,452.51; Super Savings-Leola, \$971,417.93.

At 3:15 PM Beilke moved and Feickert seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jenifer Guthmiller
McPherson County Auditor

Delmer Metzger
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners