

**McPherson County Board of Commissioners**  
**Minutes of Proceedings**  
**January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 8th, 2013 in the Commissioners chambers. Vice-chairman Delmar Metzger called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members present were Jeff Neuharth, Rick Beilke, Sid Feickert, and Jim Schumacher. Others present were Don Kallenberger. The oath of Office was administered to Schumacher.

Beilke moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the minutes of the December 4th meeting of the Board of Commissioners and Drainage Board with the change of the wording in the drainage minutes from Motion carried to Motion denied where Beilke moved to terminate the drainage board. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**REORGANIZATION OF BOARD:**

The Vice-chairman relinquished the Chair to the Auditor for the purpose of reorganizing the board for the year, 2013. Nominations of chairman were requested. Feickert nominated Metzger for chairman. Beilke moved and Neuharth seconded that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Metzger. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Nominations for vice-chairman were requested. Metzger nominated Beilke for vice-chairman. Schumacher moved and Feickert seconded that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Beilke. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The Auditor relinquished the Chair to Chairman Metzger.

**ADDED OR INCREASED SALARIES:**

Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to increase the hourly salary of Dean Geffre by \$.54, effective January 1, 2013. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**2013 SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:**

The following annual salaries are in effect for McPherson County officers and employees for the year 2013: David Ackerman, \$42,963.36; Scott Warzecha, \$33,280.00; Donald Kallenberger, \$39,576.72; Glenn Spitzer, \$39,848.64; Jennifer Guthmiller, \$38,468.44; Donna Breitag, \$38,468.44; John Hilgemann, \$38,468.44; Susan Hoffman, \$38,468.44; Sheila Vescovi, \$20,394.00; Vicki Geffre, \$24,020.63; Tiffany Weiszhaar, \$24,020.63; Dawn Jenner, \$27,216.72; Sharon Guthmiller, \$24,020.63; Lindsey Gill, \$21,321.00; Becky Wolff, \$28,823.52; Darrell Pfeifle, \$7431.45; Harvey Schaible, \$7431.45; Rick Beilke, \$6000.00; Sid Feickert, \$6,000.00; Delmar Metzger, \$6,000.00; Jeff Neuharth, \$6,000.00; Jim Schumacher, \$6,000.00.

The following hourly salaries are in effect for 2013: Margaret Heider, \$10.00; Jack Geffre, \$15.57; Jerry Bossert, \$15.35; Douglas Casey, \$15.35; Josh Flemmer, \$15.35; Rick Rau, \$15.35; Curtis Schumacher, \$15.35; Lee Geffre, \$15.35; Sidney Maier, \$15.35; Perry Thompson, \$15.57; Stanley Sptizer, \$16.00; Dean Geffre, \$14.81; Brett Campbell, \$12.88; Cletus Imberi, \$12.88. Election official's salaries are \$8.00.

Members of the Zoning Board, Weed Board, and Local Emergency Planning Committee are paid \$30.00 per meeting. Highway Department employees are paid time-and-half for overtime hours and \$.50 more per hour for scrapper hours. Full time employees who have worked for the county for 11 years or more are paid a longevity pay at the end of the year, with the amount of payment varying according to the number of years employed.

**APPOINTMENT AND DESIGNATIONS:**

Schumacher moved and Neuharth seconded to make the following appointments and designations.

**Weed Board-** Sid Feickert, 2 years remaining; Trevor Zantow and Ron Ehresman, 4 years remaining; Curtis Hoff and Charles B. Hoffman, 1 year remaining.

**Northeast Council of Governments-** Sid Feickert, Jim Schumacher, Lloyd Miller, and Neil Geffre.

**Five County Television Translator District-**Delmar Metzger

**Zoning Board-**Jeff Neuharth, 3 years remaining; Alvin Kallas, 4 years remaining; Leland Berreth, 2 years remaining; Richard Kolb, 1 year remaining; and George Hulscher; 4 years remaining.

**Housing and Redevelopment Committee-** Jeff Neuharth, 3 years remaining; Alvin Kallas, 4 years remaining; Leland Berreth, 2 years remaining; Richard Kolb, 1 year remaining; George Hulscher; 4 years remaining

**North Central E-911 Board:** Jim Schumacher and Sharon Guthmiller

**Community Health Board-** Rick Beilke

**Northeast South Dakota Community Action Program Board-**Rick Beilke

**Local Emergency Planning Committee:** Delmar Metzger, John Hilgemann, Valerie Geffre, Kent Weiszhaar, Jeff Jenner, Robert Dockter, Lloyd Breitag, Tim Serr, Dave Ackerman, and Dawn Jenner.

**Official Depositories:** Great Plains Bank and CorTrust Bank

**Official Newspapers:** Northwest Blade, Inc. and McPherson County Herald

**Foreclose Sale Sites:** Leola County Highway Shed, Eureka County Highway Shed, and the first floor lobby of the Courthouse.

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:**

3D Specialties, Supplies, \$219.92; A&B Business Solutions, Supplies, \$143.97; Ameripride Linen, Supplies, \$61.54; Art's Body Shop, Supplies, \$150.00; Leland Berreth, Mileage, \$2.22; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, Supplies, \$2,077.58; Diesel Machinery, Supplies, \$432.42; Eureka City, Sewer & Water, \$62.73; Eureka Community Hospital, Community Nursing, \$6,750.00; Eureka Community Development Committee, 2012 Reimbursement, \$831.15; Eureka MFG, Supplies, \$51.88; FEM Electric, Utilities, \$152.85; Fischer's Plumbing, Repairs, \$796.90; Earl Grueble, Mileage, \$25.90; Hedahls, Supplies, \$212.25; Homestead Building Supplies, Supplies, \$56.62; Dawn Jenner, Insurance Reimbursement, \$826.30; JP Lumber, Supplies, \$44.30; K & A Implement, Highway Supplies, \$296.39; Alvin Kallas, Mileage, \$8.88; Kansas State Bank, Asphalt Zipper Down Payment, \$16,747.00; Kary's Service Station, Supplies, \$462.19; Kens Food Fair, Supplies, \$28.00; Richard Kolb, Mileage, \$2.59; Leola City, Water and Sewer, \$455.20; Long Lake City, Water & Sewer, \$79.00; Montana Dakota Utilities, Utilities, \$262.26; Microfilm Imaging, Equipment Rental, \$85.00; NCFE, Supplies, \$76.27; NECOG, 2013 Allocation, \$6,682.52; Northstar Energy, Propane, \$4719.72; PERU, Inmate Medical Insurance, \$24.80; Poms Tire Service, Supplies, \$2,066.96; Quill, Supplies, \$122.45; SDACO, M&P Fees, \$182.00; SDEMA, 2013 Dues, \$30.00; Share Corporation, Supplies, \$413.99; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$33,826.31; State Treasurer, Sales & Excise Tax, \$53.04; Tri-State Water, Supplies, \$82.80; USPS, Postage, \$135.00; Valley Telco, Phone & Internet, \$603.90; West & Pest Conference, Conference Fee, \$170.00

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to approve the forgoing claims. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:**

Meeting Authorization

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded for Sheriff Dave Ackerman to attend the 2013 Spring & Fall Sheriff's Conferences, Highway Superintendent Glenn Spitzer to attend Highway Safety Conference and Highway Superintendent Short Course, and for Auditor Jennifer Guthmiller to attend New Official & Welfare Workshop. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### Dave Ackerman

Sheriff Dave Ackerman thanked the board for the raises. He explained how the State radio system works and what towers McPherson County gets reception off of. He informed the board that the state is looking into adding additional State towers and will keep the board informed as to where they decide to locate them.

Dave discussed with commissioners the new Sheriff pickup that was budgeted into the 2013 budget. The board told Dave to see what is available and to bring them the information next meeting.

### Credit Collections Buearu

Auditor Jennifer Guthmiller explained the collection process that Credit Collections Bureau has been using to collect on delinquent poor liens and the number of payment plans that have been set up.

### 2013-2014 Walworth Jail Agreement

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to sign the 2013-2014 Walworth jail agreement for \$50.00 per day for adults and \$125.00 per day for juveniles. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### 2013 SDSU Agreement & Extension Secretary

Extension secretary Lindsey Gill informed the board that she will be going on maternity leave sometime in April. She discussed the different 4-H activities that take place during that time frame .The board discussed the different options for getting office duties taken care of while Lindsey is on maternity leave.

The 2013 SDSU agreement was discussed and some research will be done to determine what McPherson County's options are.

### Drainage Board

At 10:30 AM Feickert moved and Schumacher 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.

### Highway Department

Highway Superintendent Glenn Spitzer discussed his concern of traffic driving too fast on County road17. He is going to discuss the issue with the parties that drive the road on a regular basis.

Glenn discussed the amount of miles that he has on his pickup and that he will need a new one soon. The board told him to get some information on what is available and present to the board next meeting.

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to forgive the bill to Leola City for \$3644.24 for tearing down houses in 2012. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to approve \$150.00 per year for each highway worker for work clothing.

#### Manure Management and Operation Plan Ordinance Change

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded the first reading of the proposed ordinance change to the Manure Management and Operation Plan.

#### Original Ordinance:

The Board of Adjustment may require manure to be injected or incorporated into the soil.

#### Proposed Changed Ordinance:

The Board of Adjustment shall require manure to be injected or incorporated into the soil within 48 hours of open air application of the manure. Violation of the ordinance of manure injection or incorporation, thereof, shall be a class 2 misdemeanor and may be punishable by a fine up to two hundred dollars for each load of manure that fails to comply with the provisions of this ordinance.

The second reading and adoption of the proposed changed ordinance will take place February 5<sup>th</sup> during the next commissioners meeting.

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### Eureka Ambulance

Terry Schutz and Steve Oster gave an update on the Eureka Ambulance. They also discussed the different steps that they need to take to become Medicare and IRS compliant.

#### Miscellaneous Items and Reports

Feickert moved and Schumacher seconded to approve Treasurer Donna Breitag to get new desktops for her office. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The following miscellaneous items and reports were approved: Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of December 2012 for the amount of \$20,968.75, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of December \$455.00,

Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of December 31st, 2012 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$21,724.67; total amount of actual cash, \$603.50; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$4,236.83; CD's, \$992,165.02; Super savings, \$565,918.00; total, \$1,584,648.02.

At 3:30 PM Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller  
McPherson County Auditor

Delmar Metzger  
Chairman of Board of Commissioners