

McPherson County Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Proceedings
January 6th, 2015

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 6th, 2015 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Metzger called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members present were Jeff Neuharth, Sid Feickert, and Jim Schumacher. Absent: Rick Beilke. Others present were Don Kallenberger.

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to approve the minutes of the December 2nd meeting of the Board of Commissioners. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The chairman relinquished the Chair to the Auditor for the purpose of reorganizing the board for the year 2015. Nominations for chairman were requested. Neuharth nominated Beilke for chairman. Feickert moved and Schumacher seconded that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Beilke. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

The Auditor relinquished the Chair to Vice Chairman Feickert.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 15-1
“RESOLUTION IMPOSING SPEED LIMITS AND WEIGHT PER AXLE LIMITS”

WHEREAS, the County of McPherson, South Dakota, is responsible for the maintenance of certain highways under its jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, it appears said highways, by reason of deterioration, rain, snow or other climatic conditions will be seriously damaged or destroyed unless the use of vehicles thereon is prohibited or restriction as to the weight of vehicles are imposed

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: Pursuant to SDCL 32-14-6 and any laws amendatory, thereto, that the load limits on all McPherson County oil roads be posted at 6 ton per axle. McPherson County oil roads will be posted at 40 mph for trucks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That there shall be erected and maintained signs designating the provision of this resolution as provided by state law, and that this resolution shall not be effective until or unless such signs are erected and maintained.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the County of McPherson shall request the South Dakota Highway Patrol to enter the County of McPherson to ensure compliance with State Laws pertaining to vehicle weight and with the weight laws established by this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the speed limit for trucks on all county oil roads within McPherson County, South Dakota, shall be 40 MPH. McPherson County requests South Dakota Highway Patrol to enter the County of McPherson to enforce the speed limit of 40 MPH for trucks on all McPherson County oil roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the effective dates of the provisions of this resolution shall start the same time that the State of South Dakota starts their restrictions and shall end 1 week after the State lifts their limits.

Dated this 6th day of January, 2015 at Leola, SD

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller
McPherson County Auditor

Sid Feickert
Vice Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Neuharth moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 15-1, Metzger seconded the foregoing motion. Upon roll call vote, thereon, all vote, "AYE". Motion carried and Resolution Number 15-1 was declared duly adopted.

BIDS:

The following bids were submitted for the 2015 supply of products to McPherson County. Bid amounts shown are the total bid margin and freight cost which the vendors are adding to the cost of the products shown on the State of South Dakota website.

Unleaded or Ethanol Gasoline:

Gene's Oil Company- \$.04 at Leola; \$.08 at Eureka
North Central Farmer's Elevator-\$.055 at Leola

Dyed Diesel Fuel

Gene's Oil Company- \$.04 at Leola; \$.08 at Eureka; \$.08 in Long Lake
North Central Farmer's Elevator-\$.086 at Leola; \$.09 at Eureka, \$.088 in Long Lake

Propane:

North Star Energy- \$.36 at Leola; \$.37 at Eureka; \$.37 at Long Lake

Westside Heating-\$.41 at Leola; \$.41 at Eureka; \$.40 at Long Lake

Northern Plains- \$.40 at Leola; \$.425 at Eureka; \$.41 at Long Lake

Schumacher moved and Metzger seconded to accept the bids submitted by Gene's Oil for unleaded or ethanol gasoline and dyed diesel fuel and North Star Energy for propane. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

2015 SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

The following annual salaries are in effect for McPherson County officers and employees for the year 2015: David Ackerman, \$45,579.84; Ted Smith, \$35,306.88; Donald Kallenberger, \$41,986.92; Glenn Spitzer, \$44,335.44; Jennifer Guthmiller, \$40,811.28; Donna Breitag, \$40,811.28; John Hilgemann, \$40,811.28; Susan Hoffman, \$40,811.28; Nicole Kempf, \$23,551.80; Vicki Geffre, \$25,483.56; Tiffany Weiszhaar, \$25,483.56; Dawn Jenner, \$29,372.28; Sharon Guthmiller, \$25,483.56; Lindsey Gill, \$25,483.56; Becky Wolff, \$30,578.88; Darrell Pfeifle, \$7,884.12; Harvey Schaible, \$7,884.12; Rick Beilke, \$6,365.40; Sid Feickert, \$6,365.40; Delmar Metzger, \$6,365.40; Jeff Neuharth, \$6,365.40; Jim Schumacher, \$6,365.40.

The following hourly salaries are in effect for 2015: Margaret Heider, \$10.61; Jack Geffre, \$17.03; Jerry Bossert, \$16.09; Josh Flemmer, \$16.58; Rick Rau, \$16.85; Curtis Schumacher, \$16.76; Lee Geffre, \$16.63; Sidney Maier, \$16.67; Perry Thompson, \$16.94; Stanley Sptizer, \$17.48; Dean Geffre, \$16.18; Greg McCulloch, \$15.81; Cletus Imberi, \$15.50. Election official's salaries are \$10.00.

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. 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 Metzger seconded to make the following appointments and designations.

Weed Board- Sid Feickert, 4 years remaining; Trevor Zantow and Ron Ehresman, 2 years remaining; Galen Hauck and Curtis Hoff, 3 years remaining

Northeast Council of Governments- Sid Feickert, Jim Schumacher, Lloyd Miller, and Glenn Spitzer

Five County Television Translator District-Delmar Metzger

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

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

Ameripride Linen, Supplies, \$1079.26; DMI, Supplies, \$503.02; Eureka City, Sewer & Water, \$40.05; Eureka Community Hospital, Community Nursing, \$7,125.00; Eureka Manufacturing, Supplies, \$328.04; Farm & Home, Plat Books, \$554.00; FEM, Utilities, \$565.68; Gene's Oil Company, Supplies, \$8299.16; Homestead Building Supplies, Supplies, \$21.63; JP Lumber, Supplies, \$15.08; Leola Ambulance Service, Ambulance Travel, \$2140.00; Leola City, Utilities, \$486.00; Leola Grocery, Supplies, \$101.03 Long Lake Town, Utilities, \$144.00; Jenna Malsam, Reimbursement, \$342.72; McPherson County Herald, Publishing \$435.58; NCFE, Supplies, \$114.81; NECOG, 2015 Allocation, \$6904.86; Northstar Energy, Utilities, \$403.97; Premier, Supplies, \$288.33; Safety Service, Supplies, \$311.33; Theodore Smith, Coroner Fees, \$150.00; Tri-State Water, Supplies, \$81.80; Valley Telco, Utilities, \$789.76

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

DECEMBER SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

Commissioners,\$5575.00; Auditor, \$5207.36; Treasurer, \$6463.65; State’s Attorney,\$3497.00; Government Building, \$3366.72; Director of Equalization, \$5863.65; Register of Deeds, \$5218.32; Veteran Service Officer, \$2489.74; Sheriff, \$4733.02; Extension, \$2061.78; Weed, \$513.64; Road & Bridge, \$39,805.21; Snow Removal, \$82.65; Emergency & Disaster, \$95.06; Joint Law, \$3100.00

McPherson County Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$6532.91

Insurance: American Family, \$418.34 Wellmark, \$6956.12; Vision Care, \$183.30;

Metlife, \$140.19

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:

Drainage Board

Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to forego a drainage board meeting for the month of January due to no new drainage permits submitted. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

4-H Department

4-H Advisor, Jenna Malsam, updated the board on the 4-H office plans for when the secretary is out on maternity leave. She also updated the board on her possibility of getting a state car to drive instead of her personal vehicle.

HKG Architects

Scott from HKG came and discussed the proposed regional jail that Walworth County is looking at building.

Pay Increases

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to rescind the motion from the December 30th meeting to give all employees a 3% raise. All in favor. Motion carried.

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to give all salaried and non-highway hourly employees a 3% raise and the highway department hourly employees a \$.50 per hour raise. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Schumacher moved and Neuharth seconded to enter into executive session at 11:10AM to discuss personnel matters. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to exit executive session at 11:20AM. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Permit to Occupy Right of Way

Metzger moved and Schumacher seconded to approve an application to occupy right of way submitted by Valley Telco to plow and bore fiber optic cable in Section 34 of 126-70. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

Discussion was held on implementing a permit process for road approach access.

Schumacher moved and Neuharth seconded to raise the overweight/overwidth permit fees to \$100.00 per load with a max of 12 loads and for the haul use agreement fee to be raised to \$500.00. All voted in favor. Motion carried

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to forgive a bill to Eureka City for \$8149.93. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to exchange McPherson County's federal surface transportation program (STP) allocated funds for state funds for the federal fiscal year 2015. These funds will be used for reseal oil. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Authorizations

Schumacher moved and Metzger seconded the following meeting authorizations: Jennifer Guthmiller to attend secretary of state meet and greet on January 22nd, annual report training on January 28th and Payroll law training on February 27th. Dave Ackerman to attend the spring and fall Sheriff's convention. Two weed board members to attend a state weed board meeting February 18-20. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Items and Reports

The outstanding poor liens were discussed with the board. The following miscellaneous items and reports were approved: Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of December 2014 for the amount of \$1,931.50, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of December \$255.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of December 31st, 2014 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$29,544.95; total amount of actual cash, \$618.00; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$9,310.21; CD's, \$993,317.40; Super savings, \$1,064,445.81; total, \$2,097,236.37.

At 3:10 PM Metzger moved and Schumacher seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller
McPherson County Auditor

Sid Feickert
Vice Chairman of Board of Commissioners