

**McPherson County Board of Commissioners**  
**Minutes of Proceedings**  
**January 3rd, 2017**

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Beilke called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members present were Rick Beilke, Jeff Neuharth, Sid Feickert, and Anthony Kunz. Also present was Don Kallenberger and Austin Hoffman.

Oaths of office were given to Beilke and Kunz.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to approve the minutes of the December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Commissioners and drainage board. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Beilke relinquished the Chair to the Auditor for the purpose of reorganizing the board for the year 2017. Nominations for chairman were requested. Metzger nominated Feickert for chairman. Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Feickert. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

The Auditor relinquished the Chair to Chairman Feickert.

**BIDS:**

The following bids were submitted for the 2017 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

Dyed Diesel Fuel

Gene's Oil Company- \$.05 at Leola; \$.08 at Eureka; \$.08 in Long Lake

Propane:

North Star Energy- \$.369 at Leola; \$.389 at Eureka; \$.389 at Long Lake

Westside Heating-\$.39 at Leola; \$.39 at Eureka; \$.38 at Long Lake

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to accept the bids submitted by Gene's Oil for unleaded or ethanol gasoline and dyed diesel fuel; North Star Energy for the Leola and Eureka location for propane; and Westside Heating & Propane for the Long Lake location for propane. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION 17-1  
"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 3rd day of January, 2017 at Leola, SD

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller  
McPherson County Auditor

Sid Feickert  
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Beilke moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 17-1, Neuharth seconded the foregoing motion. Upon roll call vote, thereon, all vote, "AYE". Motion carried and Resolution Number 17-1 was declared duly adopted.

**2017 SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:**

The following annual salaries are in effect for McPherson County officers and employees for the year 2017: David Ackerman, \$48,758.88; Ted Smith, \$37,972.20; Steven Lipke, \$37,972.20; Donald Kallenberger, \$44,986.32; Austin Hoffman, \$22,500.00; Glenn Spitzer, \$47,452.20; Jennifer Guthmiller, \$43,751.88; Donna Breitag, \$43,751.88; John Hilgemann, \$43,751.88; Susan Hoffman, \$43,751.88; Nicole Kempf, \$27,657.72; Vicki Geffre, \$27,657.72; Tiffany Weiszhaar, \$27,657.72; Dawn Jenner, \$27,657.72; Sharon Guthmiller, \$31,479.72; Jackie Rau, \$32,400.00; Becky Wolff, \$33,007.80; Darrell Pfeifle, \$8,478.36; Harvey Schaible, \$8,478.36; Rick Beilke, \$6,683.67; Sid Feickert, \$6,683.67; Delmar Metzger, \$6,683.67; Jeff Neuharth, \$6,683.67; Anthony Kunz, \$6,683.67.

The following hourly salaries are in effect for 2017: Jack Geffre, \$18.40; Jerry Bossert, \$17.41; Josh Flemmer, \$18.04; Rick Rau, \$18.22; Lee Geffre, \$18.00; Brandon Leeper-Duquette, \$17.59; Perry Thompson, \$18.31; Michael Schwingler, \$17.68; Dean Geffre, \$17.55; Greg McCulloch, \$17.68; Cletus Imberi, \$17.28. 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:**

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

**Weed Board**- Sid Feickert, 2 years remaining; Trevor Zantow and Ron Ehresman, 4 years remaining; Galen Hauck and Curtis Hoff, 1 year remaining

**Northeast Council of Governments**- Sid Feickert, Anthony Kunz, Lloyd Miller, and Glenn Spitzer

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

**Zoning Board**-Jeff Neuharth, 3 years remaining; Alvin Kallas and George Hulscher, 4 years remaining; Dan Mettler, 2 years remaining; Richard Kolb, 2 years remaining.

**Housing and Redevelopment Committee**- Jeff Neuharth, 3 years remaining; Alvin Kallas and George Hulscher, 4 years remaining; Dan Mettler, 3 years remaining; Richard Kolb, 1 year remaining.

**North Central E-911 Board:** Anthony Kunz 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, Jackie Rau, Kent Weiszhaar, Jeff Jenner, Alan Adam, Doug Hatlewick, 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:**

A&B Business, Supplies, \$267.00; Ameripride, Linen Services, \$383.35; Butler Machinery Co., Highway Supplies, \$167.18; Dakota Country Store, Highway Supplies, \$12.99; Dakota Fluid Power, Highway Supplies, \$596.85; Daren Fischer Painting, Courthouse Repairs, \$2594.09; Dakota Supply Group, Courthouse Supplies, \$173.80; Eureka City, Highway Supplies, \$5.00; FEM, EM Utilities, \$296.67; G & R Controls, Courthouse Supplies, \$609.42; Gene's Oil Company, Travel/Supplies, \$1414.34; Jennifer Guthmiller, Insurance Deductible Reimbursement, \$66.68; Homestead, Courthouse Supplies, \$41.47; JP Lumber, Highway Supplies, \$34.14; Donald Kallenberger, St. Attorney Reimbursement, \$470.90; Nicole Kempf, Insurance Deductible Reimbursement, \$189.16; Kimball Midwest, Highway Supplies, \$69.95; Leola Ambulance Service, Ambulance Mileage, \$3451.50; Leola City, Courthouse Utilities, \$81.00; Mid-American Research Chemical, Courthouse Supplies, \$699.20; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$383.01; MDU, Utilities, \$265.37; North Central Farmers Elevator, Highway Supplies, \$185.21; Jeff Neuharth, Mileage, \$437.64; North Star Energy, Highway Utilities, \$865.22; Praxair, Highway Supplies, \$45.35; Premier, Highway Supplies, \$519.42; Quill, Supplies, \$393.64; SD State's Attorney's Assoc., 2017 States Attorney Member Dues, \$664.00; Share Corp.,

Courthouse Supplies, \$55.50; Sheehan Mack, Highway Supplies, \$111.91; SD Weed and Pest Conference, Weed & Pest Conf. Registration, \$235.00

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

**OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:**

Drainage Board

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to enter into drainage at 10:30am. All voted in favor. Their minutes are listed in a separate section.

Extension Memorandum of Understanding

Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to sign the 2017 Extension memorandum of understanding with South Dakota State University. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

Highway superintendent, Glenn Spitzer, presented to the board information on what surrounding counties got for 2017 raises and also presented his personal feelings on raises for 2017. There was discussion held on what equipment and shop projects Spitzer would like updated within the next couple years. Spitzer informed the board if needed he will utilize Stanton Spitzer again for part-time help.

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded for the highway department to purchase a Dodge Ram 2500 off of South Dakota State bid for the price of \$28,831.00. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Authorizations

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded for Jennifer Guthmiller to attend Annual Report Training on January 25<sup>th</sup> and for Michael Schwingler and another weed board representative to attend training in February. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Sheriff Department

Sheriff Ackerman informed the board that Deputy Smith will be on active duty during the months of February and April. He also let the board know that McPherson County came through the ice storm and power outages with no big emergencies.

Beilke moved and Kunz seconded to sign the 2017 Edmunds County Jail and Mutual Aide Agreement and the 2017 Walworth County Jail Agreement. All voted in favor.

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded for the sheriff department to purchase a Dodge Ram 1500 off of South Dakota State bid for the price of \$31,040.00. All voted in favor.

### 2017 Raises

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to give all employee's except the Commissioner's and Veteran Service Officer's a \$900.00 a year raise effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to give the Veteran Service Officers a \$200.00 a year raise effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 to pay \$500.00 a month towards employee only Wellmark health insurance premiums, any employee premiums above and beyond the \$500.00 and all dependent premiums will be the employee's responsibility. The county will reimburse employee's \$250.00 per month if they provide proof that they have their own insurance policy. This reimbursement will be paid quarterly. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### Miscellaneous Items and Reports

The projected end of year figures for 2017 were handed out to the board, they will be discussed more in depth at the February meeting. The following miscellaneous items and reports were approved: Veteran Service Officers quarterly and yearly reports; Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of December 2016 for the amount of \$6,605.25, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of December 2016 \$510.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of December 31st, 2016 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$44,216.43; total amount of actual cash, \$647.50; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$14,022.38; CD's, \$995,506.40; Super savings, \$1,920,557.81; total, \$2,974,950.52.

At 11:50 PM Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller  
McPherson County Auditor

Sid Feickert  
Chairman of Board of Commissioners