

## McPherson County Board of Commissioners

### Minutes of Proceedings

July 7th, 2016

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday July 7th, 2016 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Beilke called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members present were Jeff Neuharth, Sid Feickert, and Jim Schumacher. Absent: Delmar Metzger

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to approve the agenda of the July meeting and to approve the minutes of the June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting of the Board of Commissioners All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### **CLAIMS APPROVED:**

4DK Electric, Repairs, \$34.23; A&B Business, Supplies, \$138.90; Aberdeen Asphalt, Highway Supplies, \$34,708.44; Aberdeen Chrysler, Highway Supplies, \$474.58; Access Elevator & Lifts, Lift Maintenance, \$750.00; Ameripride, Linen Services, \$252.52; AT&T Mobility, Cell Phone, \$381.93; Rick Beilke, Commissioner Mileage, \$151.20; Leland Berreth, Zoning Mileage, \$2.52; Best Western Ramkota, Lodging, \$290.97; Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance Premium, \$508.97; Butler Machinery, Highway Supplies, \$141.92; Connecting Point, Offsite Backup/Server Work/Contract Renewals, \$9459.01; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, Supplies, \$997.13; Credit Collection Bureau, Collection Commission, \$17.00; D-Ware, Highway Supplies, \$1000.00; Dakota Electronics, Supplies, \$122.35; Dakota Fluid Power, Supplies, \$325.40; Dakota Oil, Supplies, \$45.80; Edmunds County Sheriff, Prisoner Care, \$200.00; Election Systems & Software, Election Supplies, \$1952.06; Eureka City, Utilities, \$38.72; Eureka Senior Center, 2016 Allocation, \$3120.00; FEM Electric, Utilities, \$343.74; Flint Hills Resources, Highway Supplies, \$249,682.36; Gall's Incorporated, Supplies, \$8.63; Dean Geffre, Conference Meals, \$53.00; Vicki Geffre, Mileage/Meals, \$169.24; Gene's Oil Company, Supplies, \$11,004.12; Guardian Dental, Cobra Insurance, \$49.92; Kristen Gonsoir, Horse Show Wages/Mileage, \$96.20; Homestead, Supplies, \$6864.61; George Hulscher, Zoning Mileage, \$29.40; Jensen Rock & Sand, Highway Supplies, \$37,079.91; Alvin Kallas, Zoning Mileage, \$10.08; Nicole Kempf, Conference Meals, \$36.00; Ken's Food Fair, Highway Supplies, \$26.22; Kimball Midwest, Highway Supplies, \$343.40; Richard Kolb, Zoning Mileage, \$2.94; Leola Ambulance, Ambulance Mileage, \$2203.50; Leola City, Utilities, \$74.00; Leola Grocery, Supplies, \$167.40; Leola Senior Center, 2016 Allocation, \$800.00; Steven Lipke, Prisoner Care Reimbursement, \$42.72; Mac's Inc., Highway Supplies, \$16.97; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$531.59; MDU, Utilities, \$554.37; Microfilm Imaging, Equipment Rental, \$215.40; Midstates Group, Treasurer Supplies, \$337.00; Midwest Pump & Tank, Highway Supplies, \$24.99; NCFE, Supplies, \$370.83; Newman Traffic Signs, Highway Supplies, \$247.86; North Star Energy, Utilities, \$421.97; Northwest Blade, Publishing, \$816.13; Petal Pusher Flower Shop, Funeral Flowers, \$53.25; Darrell Pfeifle, VSO Reimbursement, \$45.57; Praxair, Highway Supplies, \$47.31; Premier, Highway Supplies, \$2505.70; Pro Ag Supply, Highway Supplies, \$6.46; Quill, Supplies, \$640.47; Jackie Rau, Extension Reimbursement, \$244.96; Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Court Appointed Attorney, \$1093.25; Pat Schaffner, Tree Trimming, \$600.00; Harvey Schaible, VSO Reimbursement, \$684.30; Share, Supplies, \$297.91; State Property Management, Highway Equipment, \$6500.00; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$55,136.21; State Treasurer, Sales & Excise Tax, \$319.60; SDACC, M&P May Fees, \$90.00;SDACO, Conference Registration, \$60.00; Streicher's, Supplies, \$672.00; USPS, Postage, \$600.00; Valley Telco, Phone/Internet Utilities, \$745.11; Visa, Supplies, \$490.45; Walworth County Treasurer, TV Translator District, \$5632.00; Web Water, Supplies, \$184.00; Tiffany Weiszhaar, Conference Meals, \$36.00; West McPherson EMS, Ambulance Mileage, \$2094.50

**SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:**

Commissioners, \$5184.85; Auditor, \$5800.80; Treasurer, \$6400.80; State's Attorney, \$3673.86; Government Building, \$3275.65; Director of Equalization, \$6400.80; Register of Deeds, \$6400.80; Veteran Service Officers, \$2579.72; Sheriff, \$6973.41; Extension, \$2625.00; Road & Bridge, \$40,007.07; Joint Law, \$3689.35; Weed, \$479.78, Planning & Zoning, \$120.00

McPherson County Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$7204.71

Insurance: American Family, \$422.25; Wellmark, \$7761.89; Vision Care, \$207.48; MetLife, \$150.69; South Dakota Retirement System, \$5519.73

**ADDED OR INCREASED SALARIES:**

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to add the following salaries: Doug Casey part-time at the rate of \$15.00 per hour, Jared Neuharth part-time at the rate of \$15.00 per hour and Sharon Guthmiller part-time fill-in janitor \$10.61 per hour. Feickert, Neuharth and Beilke voted in favor. Neuharth abstained from voting. Motion carried.

**OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:**Eureka Museum

Jean Bertsch and Barry Lapp requested an annual allocation from McPherson County for the purpose of helping run the Eureka Museum. The board will keep the request in mind for the upcoming 2017 budget.

Drainage Board

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to enter into drainage board at 10:30am. All voted in favor. Motion carried. A discussion was held on possible drainage litigation as well as a landowner dispute over a drainage project that was done before the drainage board was formed. No formal action was taken. At 10:40am Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to exit drainage board. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

The highway Superintendent had a couple of part-time employee's help out for a few days due to some unexpected projects that needed to be taken care of right away. Feickert moved and Schumacher seconded to hire the part-time help of Doug Casey and Jared Neuharth. Feickert, Schumacher and Beilke voted in favor. Neuharth abstained from voting. Motion carried.

The highway superintendent gave the following report: he purchased a state truck for parts for \$6500.00 and plans to use the parts to repair an existing truck. He would like to purchase a new chip spreader in 2017. The activity has started on the pipeline he had a few minor issues with them but believes he has them all traveling the correct roads now. The main reseal for the year has been finished the only resealing that remains is patches and city work. Some asphalt repair will take place later in July. The bridge that was replaced by Nathan Hoffman's is complete and he believes this will be a long term fix. The highway department will be starting to work on culverts and other miscellaneous projects next week.

### Right-Of-Way Permits

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to approve the following right of way permits: Midco to plow fiber optics on 326<sup>th</sup> Ave, for FEM Electric to bore or blow power cable between Sections 11 & 14 and Sections 14 & 23 of 125-72, and for Valley Telco to bore fiber optics starting in Section 7 of 125-68 and boring west across 355<sup>th</sup> Ave into Section 12 of 125-69. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### LeAnn Schwann

LeAnn Schwann requested the board to reduce or release a lien that McPherson County has against her residence in Leola. Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded that no lien reduction or release will be granted. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### Meeting Date Change

Feickert moved and Schumacher seconded to move the July meeting from August 2nd to August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 9am due to Achievement Days. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### Executive Session

Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to enter into executive session at 1pm with the 4-H Leaders, 4-H Advisor, Glenn Spitzer, and Kristi Spitzer present. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

At 1:55PM Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to exit executive session. All voted in favor. No action was taken.

### Fund Transfer

Feickert moved and Schumacher seconded to transfer \$5,000.00 from the General Fund to the Emergency Management Fund. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### 2017 Budget

The departmental requests for the 2017 budget were reviewed. Further discussion on the budget will take place at the August meeting.

### Part-Time Janitorial Help

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to hire Sharon Guthmiller to be the fill in part-time janitor at the rate of \$10.61 per hour. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

### Miscellaneous Items and Reports

A notice that was received from the IRS was discussed. Who all would like to attend the fall SDACO convention was discussed. The following miscellaneous items and reports were approved: Veteran Service Officers Quarterly Reports, Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of June 2016 for the amount of \$3681.25, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of June \$500.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of June 2016 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$14,409.69; total amount of actual cash, \$875.30; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$8,893.17.; CD's, \$994,850.28; Super savings, \$2,403,604.18; total, \$3,422,632.62.

At 1:55 PM Neuharth moved and Schumacher seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller  
McPherson County Auditor

Rick Beilke  
Chairman of Board of Commissioners