

McPherson County Board of Commissioners

Minutes of Proceedings

April 5th, 2018

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, April 5th, 2018 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Feickert called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members present were Delmar Metzger, Rick Beilke, Jeff Neuharth, and Anthony Kunz. Also present: Austin Hoffman.

Kunz moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the minutes of the March 8th, 2018 meeting of the Board of Commissioners and the road tour minutes. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 18-4

“PLAT APPROVAL”

“Be it resolved by the board of County Commissioners of McPherson County, South Dakota, that the Plat showing; Rott sisters outlots in the SW ¼ of Section 6-T126N-R67W of the 5th P.M., McPherson County, South Dakota, having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3, and any amendments thereof.”

Dated this 5th day of April, 2018 at Leola, SD

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller
McPherson County Auditor

Sid Feickert
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Neuharth moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 18-4, Kunz seconded the foregoing motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried and Resolution Number 18-4 was declared duly adopted.

CLAIMS APPROVED:

3D Specialties, Highway Supplies, \$297.46; AT&T, Cell Phones, \$385.60; A & B Business Solutions, Sheriff Supplies, \$430.00; Dave Ackerman, Postage Reimbursement, \$8.20; AgTegra Leola Shop, Highway Supplies, \$9,189.21; American Life Insurance, 4-H Insurance, \$275.00; AmeriPride Services, Linen Services, \$719.20; Artz Equipment, Highway Supplies, \$396.27; Auto Value, Highway Supplies, \$265.92; Lanette Butler, Reimbursement, \$32.00; Butler Machinery, Highway Supplies/Equipment, \$648.44; C&B Operations, Highway Supplies, \$5120.00; Connecting Point, Sever Maint./Updates and Offsite Backup, \$85.00; C&R Supply, Highway Supplies, \$159.45; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, Highway Supplies, \$1626.56; Dakota Country Store, Highway Supplies, \$33.99; Dakota Fluid Power, Highway Supplies, \$99.54; Dean Schaeffer Court Reporting, Mental Health Hearing, \$12.00; Digital Ally, Sheriff Repairs, \$1265.00; Diesel Machinery, Highway Supplies, \$5299.33; Ron Ehresman, Weed Board Mileage, \$17.64; Eureka City, Highway Utilities, \$41.61; Eureka Manufacturing, Highway Supplies, \$1862.67; FEM Electric Association, Utilities, \$445.87; Galls Inc., Sheriff Supplies, \$59.80; Gene’s Oil Company, Supplies, \$1,902.43; Gailen Hauck, Mileage, \$12.60; Heartland Waste, Highway Utilities, \$35.00; Heppers, Weed Control Supplies, \$35.99; Austin Hoffman, Reimbursement, \$293.07; Homestead Building Supplies, Highway Supplies, \$287.40; Lindley Howard, Postage Reimbursement, \$19.25; George Hulscher, Mileage, \$58.80; Alvin Kallas, Mileage, \$21.00; Donald Kallenberger, Reimbursement, \$335.30;

Kary's Service Station, Supplies, \$193.36; Ken's Food Fair, Highway Supplies, \$9.98; Kimball Midwest, Highway Supplies, \$702.07; Richard Kolb, Mileage, \$5.88; Lakeside Lumber, Highway Supplies, \$52.53; Leola City, Courthouse Utilities, \$81.50; Leola City, Utility Assistance, \$240.00; McPherson Co. Reg. of Deeds, Postage Reimbursement, \$7.25; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$494.91; Montana Dakota Utilities, Utilities, \$724.67; Microfilm Imaging, Equipment Rent, \$369.40; National Assoc. of Engineers, Supplies, \$645.00; North Star Energy, Highway Utilities, \$1674.32; Northern Safety Technology, Highway Supplies, \$310.71; Northwest Blade, Publishing, \$527.83; PERU, Inmate Medical Insurance, \$30.69; Praxxair Distribution, Highway Supplies, \$1057.02; Premier Equipment, Highway Supplies, \$1307.65; Quill Corp., Supplies/Equipment, \$891.34; Ramkota Hotel, DOE Hotel Room, \$101.00; Ronayne & Cogley, Court Appointed Attorney, \$4292.00; Conayne & Cogley, Court Appointed Attorney, \$350.20; Ronayne & Cogley, Court Appointed Attorney, \$710.00; Harvey Schaible, VSO Reimbursement, \$528.49; SD Federal Property Agency, Highway Supplies, \$2555.00; SDACC, Spring Workshop Registration, \$750.00; Kris Jacobsen, Catastrophic Legal, \$1733.00; SD VSO, 2018 Dues, \$150.00; Share Corp., Courthouse Supplies, \$660.61; Streicher's Inc., Sheriff Supplies, \$184.97; Ten-45 Grocery & Café, Supplies, \$354.20; Transource Truck & Equipment, Highway Supplies, \$58.54; Valley Telco, Phone/Internet, \$747.17; VISA, VISA bill, \$907.39; Warne Chemical & Equipment, Weed Control Supplies, \$114.30; Web Bottling Company, Courthouse Water, \$93.00; Zylstra Investigations, Court Appointed Investigator, \$1930.00; SDACC M&P, January Fees, \$80.00; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$44,270.03; State Treasurer, Sales & Excise Tax, \$169.35; Avera Health, Dependent Insurance, \$606.39; Guardian, Cobra Vision Insurance, \$187.98

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

SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

Commissioners, \$6,198.05; Auditor, \$6,056.82; Treasurer, \$6,974.82; State's Attorney, \$5,861.34; Government Building, \$3,618.17; Director of Equalization, \$5,965.28; Register of Deeds, \$6,755.82; Veteran Service Officers, \$3,066.32; Sheriff, \$6,315.65; Extension, \$2,816.50; Road & Bridge, \$35,858.56; Snow Removal, \$4,458.77; 911, \$11.00; Eureka Joint Law, \$4,040.14; Leola Joint Law, \$1,500.00; Weed, \$417.42; Planning & Zoning, \$90.00

McPherson County's Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$7,661.24

Insurance: American Family, \$422.79 Avera Health, \$7,360.25; Vision Care, \$237.44; MetLife, \$174.25; South Dakota Retirement System, \$5,617.61

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:

Jackie Hoffman

Jackie Hoffman requested some information from the board about the McPherson County Bus. Contact information for the organization in charge of the bus was given to Jackie. Also discussed was the newly formed Leola Arts Committee. They would like to hold a craft fair in conjunction with the fall consignment sale this fall. Jackie inquired if the courthouse grounds could be use for the event. Auditor Guthmiller will do some checking with the county insurance company regarding liability. Deputy States Attorney Hoffman told Jackie to check into getting some private event liability insurance. More discussion will take place at the May meeting.

DemKota Beef Plant

Kunz moved and Neuharth seconded to extend the 5-mile manure variance that was granted to DemKota Beef Plant at the May 2017 meeting until October 1st, 2018. The following conditions will continue: (1) DemKota must travel the route that was discussed and approved by the McPherson County Highway Superintendent (2) approval must be obtained from Wachter and Weber Townships in McPherson County and also from Brown County and Dickey County if the approved route includes any of their county roads. Roll call vote was taken: Aye: Neuharth, Kunz, Metzger, Beilke, Nay: Feickert. Motion carried. The board requested updates from DemKota on their progress on finding other sites to haul manure.

Sheriff Department

Kunz moved and Beilke seconded the sign the Salamander tracker agreement. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Sheriff Ackerman informed the board that the City of Leola donated to McPherson County the following: the Leola police car, a rifle, binoculars, handcuffs and ammunition. The board of commissioners and Sheriff Ackerman would like to thank the City of the Leola for their generous donation.

Lanette Butler

Lanette informed the board that she has passed her CAA test and is now certified. Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to increase her wage now that she is certified. The new monthly wage effective April 1st will be \$3781.41. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Becky Wolff

Becky discussed with the board the following: boiler parts, lights, and doorknobs. No action was taken.

Executive Session

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to go into executive session at 11:40AM to discuss employment matters. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to exit executive session at 11:45AM. All voted in favor. Motion carried. As a result of the executive session Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to extend job offers to both Brandon Pickell and Marcus Wolff as full-time Equipment operators/welders for the Leola location. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

Beilke moved and Metzger seconded to surplus an Etnyer chip spreader Serial #3619 on purple wave. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The 644K Hybrid loader we ordered from John Deere has been shipped and we should be receiving it soon.

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to approve a \$17.00 per hour wage for Highway Secretary Dawn Jenner if she does any road work with the crew; her office salary remains the same as was approved in January. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on roads conditions on some county roads due to the heavy snow. The heavy snow caused soft tops on many roads. Glenn closed two roads North of Leola. The roads were becoming impassable due to the semi traffic that was traveling on the soft roads.

Glenn asked for permission to attend some retirement parties on Friday April 6th which would usually be his scheduled day off. He will donate his time but would like permission to take his work vehicle. Beilke moved

and Neuharth seconded to allow him to attend the parties and to take his work truck. All voted in favor. Glenn also asked if he would be able to transport his family in his work vehicle to the NACE Conference he is attending in Wisconsin Dells. Deputy States Attorney Hoffman told him he needs to take his personal vehicle if his family will be riding with due to liability issues.

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to transfer \$29,636.40 from unorganized to county road and bridge. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Right of Way Permits

Metzger moved and Kunz seconded to approve a right of way permit submitted by FEM to plow or bore power cable between Sections 25 and 26 of 126-68. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Authorizations

Neuharth moved and Kunz seconded to approve the following meeting authorizations: Austin Hoffman for the States Attorney Conference; Jennifer Guthmiller, Donna Breitag and Vicki Geffre for the Spring County Officials Conference; Lanette Butler for the Director of Equalization Spring Conference. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Items and Reports

The following miscellaneous items and reports were approved: Veteran Service Officers Quarterly Reports, Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of March 2018 for the amount of \$4126.00, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of March 2018 for the amount of \$675.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of March 2018 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$168,742.12; total amount of actual cash, \$966.80; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$25,185.50; CD's, \$997,487.02; Super savings, \$1,559,561.93; total, \$2,751,943.37.

At 2:35PM PM Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller
McPherson County Auditor

Sid Feickert
Chairman of Board of Commissioners