

**Unapproved McPherson County Board of Commissioners**  
**Minutes of Proceedings**  
**June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017**

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 in the commissioner's chambers to discuss the public concern of the burn ban. Chairman Feickert called the meeting to order at 8:30AM, this meeting was done my teleconference. Members present were Jeff Neuharth, Rick Beilke, Delmar Metzger, and Anthony Kunz. Others present were Dave Ackerman. Rick Beilke left the call at 8:33AM due to a bad connection.

Neuharth moved and Kunz seconded to approve the agenda of the special meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The public concern of the burn ban that was passed on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 was discussed. As a result of that discussion the following resolution was made.

**RESOLUTION 17-9**  
**"RESOLUTION BANNING OPEN BURNING"**

Resolution 17-9 replaces Resolution 17-6 that was passed at the June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting.

WHEREAS, McPherson County is currently experiencing extreme dry conditions; and

WHEREAS, McPherson County desires to protect the health and safety of all residents and all property within the county boundary; and

WHEREAS, an emergency situation exists:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the McPherson County Commission declares that an emergency situation does exist and as such the County Commission hereby imposes a ban on open burning with the exception of the following: the use of outdoor fireplaces, charcoal and liquid fuel grills, burn barrels 55 gallons or less equipped with a screen or barbeque cooking grills, and fireworks. Regarding the use of fireworks be sure to follow individual city ordinances. While fireworks are not banned, the McPherson County Commission asks residents to use caution as the conditions in the area are still very dry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that this ban shall remain intact until such time as conditions improve and a subsequent resolution by the McPherson County Commission is enacted removing said ban, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that any violation of this resolution will result in criminal charges against the individual or individuals that initiate the fire.

Dated at Leola, South Dakota this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2017.

ATTEST:

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Neuharth moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 17-09. Kunz seconded the forgoing motion. Upon roll call vote, thereon, all voted in favor. Motion carried, and Resolution Number 17-09 was declared duly adopted.

The County Auditor was instructed to get a media release out to all media sources to inform the public of the change in the burn ban.

At 8:36AM Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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