

McPherson County Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Proceedings
April 2nd, 2019

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 2nd, 2019 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Neuharth called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members present were, Delmar Metzger, Rick Beilke, Anthony Kunz, and Sid Feickert. Also present: Austin Hoffman, Glenn Spitzer, and Lanette Butler.

Kunz moved and Beilke seconded to approve the agenda of the April meeting and the minutes of the March 6th and March 18th Board of Commissioners Meetings and the minutes of the March 6th Drainage Commission meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED:

A&B Business, Ext. Copier Supplies, \$130.15; Agtegra- Leola Shop, Hwy/Sec Rd Supplies, \$31,009.51; American Income Life Insurance, 4-H Insurance, \$276.00; AmeriPride Services, Linen Services, \$557.91; Art's Body Shop, Hwy/Sheriff Supplies, \$86.00; AT&T, Cell Phones, \$413.86; Lanette Butler, DOE Mileage, \$29.40; Butler Machinery Co., Hwy Supplies/Equipment Rental, \$17,525.42; Cartney Bearing, Hwy Supplies, \$155.23; Connecting Point, Supplies/Treasurer Equip., \$868.30; Crady's Radiator, Hwy Supplies, \$890.00; Crawford Trucks & Equip., Hwy Supplies \$978.80; Curt's Repair, Sheriff/Leola JL/Hwy Supplies, \$455.10; Edmunds Co Sheriff, Prisoner Care, \$65.00; Ron Ehresman, Weed Board Mileage, \$17.64; Eureka City, Hwy Utilities, \$43.50; Eureka MFG, Hwy Supplies, \$411.16; Farm and Home Publishing, Plat Books, \$930.00; FEM Electric, Utilities, \$467.08; Vicki Geffre, Mileage, \$12.60; Gene's Oil Company, Supplies, \$2,254.25; Gailen Hauck, Weed Board Mileage, \$12.60; Heartland Waste, Hwy Utilities, \$35.00; Curtis Hoff, Weed Board Mileage, \$23.52; Homestead Building Supplies, Janitor/Hwy Supplies, \$28.55; Don Kallenberger, States Attorney Rent/Supplies/Mileage, \$636.80; Kens Food Fair, Hwy Supplies, \$2.69; Kimball Midwest, Hwy Supplies, \$441.60; Lakeside Lumber, Hwy Supplies, \$78.88; Leola City, Courthouse Utilities, \$131.00; Les's Standard, Courthouse Repairs, \$1,124.05; Light and Siren, 2019 Sheriff Vehicle Equipment, \$2,368.00; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$579.16; MDU, Utilities, \$899.66; Menards, Hwy Supplies, \$291.70; Midwest Pump and Tank, Hwy Supplies, \$143.64; Northern Bag, EM Supplies – Sandbags, \$1,450.00; NorthStar Energy, Hwy Utilities, \$1,896.47; Darrell Pfeifle, VSO Postage Reimb., \$5.90; Pomp's Tire Service, Inc., Hwy Supplies, \$3,037.02; Praxair Distribution, Hwy Supplies, \$47.85; Premier, Highway Supplies, \$683.81; Quill Corp., Supplies/Equipment, \$1,579.82; Ramkota Hotel-Aberdeen, Court Appearance Hotel Rooms, \$171.00; RDO Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$39.62; Sanitation Products, Hwy Supplies, \$14,193.36; Harvey Schaible, VSO Reimb., \$514.74; Michael Schwingler, Hwy Supplies Clothing Allowance, \$154.39; Weed and Pest Conference, 2019 Dues, \$150.00; Kris Jacobsen, CCPR Admin, Catastrophic Poor Relief, \$400.00; SDACC, Spring Workshop Registrations, \$525.00; Kris Jacobsen CLERP Admin, 1st QTR Catastrophic Legal, \$1,333.00; SDAE4-HP, Extension Registration, \$55.00; SDVSO Association, 2019 VSO Memberships, \$200.00; Share Corporation, Hwy Supplies, \$352.52; Siegel, Barnett & Schutz LLP, Court Appointed Attorney, \$3,063.89;

Sioux Falls Two Way, 2019 Sheriff Vehicle Equipment, \$1,339.00; Spring Creek H.B., Snow Removal Equipment, \$52,530.00; Taliaferro Law Firm PC, Mental Health Hearing, \$94.00; Ten-45, Courthouse/Hwy/Jury Supplies, \$135.02; Tools Plus, Hwy Supplies, \$160.00; Valley Telco, Phone/Internet, \$801.55; VISA, Equipment/Supplies, \$1,194.36; Western Communications Inc., EM Supplies, \$353.34; Avera Health, Dependent Insurance, \$645.54; Guardian, Cobra Insurance, \$264.00, Mike Varilek, Hotel/Courtroom Supply Reimb., \$75.77; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$30012.55; State Treasurer, Sales Tax, \$7.38; SD Sheriff's Association, Sheriff Registration, \$85.00; SDACC M&P, February Fees, \$132.00; Peru, Inmate Medical Insurance, \$58.41.

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

SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

Commissioners, \$6153.05; Auditor, \$3,900.63; Treasurer, \$7,141.91; State's Attorney, \$6,782.59; Government Building, \$3,702.86; Director of Equalization, \$6,382.08; Register of Deeds, \$7,041.91; Veteran Service Officers, \$3,113.32; Sheriff, \$8,030.18; Extension, \$2,900.41; Weed Control, \$530.28; Road & Bridge/Secondary Roads, \$21,474.69; Snow Removal, \$18,494.56; Emergency Management, \$833.35; Eureka Joint Law, \$4,133.66; Leola Joint Law, \$3,383.66.

McPherson County's Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$8,831.78

Insurance: American Family, \$394.07, Avera Health, \$7,118.99; Vision Care, \$233.74; MetLife, \$169.13; South Dakota Retirement System, \$6,766.20

ADDED SALARIES:

Kunz moved and Metzger seconded to add the following salaries: Trisha Erdmann, Deputy Auditor, \$2291. per month and Rodney Malsam, Highway Employee, \$17.00 per hour. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:

DemKota Beef Plant

Discussion was held on DemKota's progress toward obtaining additional site permits. Complaints received, current route and the additional costs of road maintenance involved in keeping the route open this winter were discussed. It was requested that Demkota provide the Highway Department with their monthly load sheets. The cost per load was also discussed.

Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to extend the 5-mile manure variance permit that was granted to DemKota Beef Plant at the October 2019 meeting until July 1st, 2019. An additional 6-month extension will be considered in June if the county receives reasonable compensation for the additional snow removal expenses from the permitholder. The following conditions will

continue: (1) To lessen road wear DemKota will travel the original route - hwy 10, north on C23, west on C2 and south on C21 to location for approximately 50% of the loads, the other 50% of the load will be hauled on the alternative route - enter McPherson County going west on C2, south on C21 to location, (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 and/or alternate route includes any of their county roads. Roll call vote was taken: Aye: Neuharth, Kunz, Metzger, Beilke, Nay: Feickert. Motion carried.

Drainage Board

At 10:30AM Feickert moved and Metzger seconded to meet as the McPherson County Drainage Commission. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The commission met concurrently with the Board of Commissioners and their minutes are listed in a separate section.

Director of Equalization

Butler updated the board on Vanguard Appraisal's answers to several questions that were posed at the last meeting. The best time of year to make a software switch was discussed. The board instructed Butler to visit another county's DOE office currently on Vanguard. More discussion will be held at the next meeting.

Deputy Assessor candidates were discussed and interviews for the top candidates were scheduled.

Butler has a few appeals for Equalization Board on April 9th, the board reviewed the appeal process and duties of the Equalization Board.

A conditional use permit has been received and will be heard by the zoning board of adjustment on April 16th.

Highway Department

Beilke moved and Kunz seconded to sign the road striping agreement from the State of South Dakota Department of Transportation. Approximately 28 miles of road will be striped and McPherson County's share of the cost will be \$17,955.14. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Spitzer updated the board on road conditions and the issues associated with snow removal after the March 14th blizzard. Additional contractors and equipment were brought in to help.

Costs of equipment wear/repairs associated with snow removal and flooding were also discussed. Spitzer is documenting any repairs that are performed as a result of the blizzard and Sheriff Ackerman will send in for reimbursement consideration.

SDDOT may need to use some county roads as a detour route for the 2020 season. Spitzer will keep the board updated.

Gravel crushing for the Leola area was discussed along with pit locations, prices and additional options. Feickert moved and Kunz seconded to call for bids for gravel crushing and for stockpiled reseal material. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to extend a job offer to Brandon Lehmann contingent upon pre-employment screenings. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Beilke moved and Metzger seconded to approve the transfer of \$153,165.46 from unorganized to county road and bridge for the 1st quarter of 2019. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Permit to Land Aircraft

A request for a permit to land aircrafts on county roads was presented. Beilke moved and Metzger seconded to deny the permit and instructed Spitzer to inform Agtegra that McPherson county doesn't offer this type of permit. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Sheriff Department

Ackerman updated the board on the status of the new sheriff pickup and the Zurcher system. Gun safes were purchased and distributed to the sheriff and deputies for the safe storage of their firearm while off duty.

Becky Wolff

Kunz moved and Feickert seconded to accept the presented quote for the automatic boiler chemical pump. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Wolff informed the board that the courthouse pickup and van batteries are dead. The board approved purchase of a battery charger for courthouse use.

Wolff would like to have the boiler company replace additional boiler valves and parts necessary to get all the registers working properly. The board instructed her to get a quote. Wolff would also like a company replace door handles on the second floor. The board instructed her to get a quote.

Signature Card

Kunz moved and Metzger seconded to add Trisha Erdmann to the signature card at CorTrust Bank. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting Authorizations

Beilke moved and Metzger seconded to approve the following meeting authorizations: Don Kallenberger States Attorney Conference in Deadwood; Lindley Howard, Donna Breitag and Vicki Geffre for the Spring County Officials Conference in Pierre. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Items and Reports

Beilke moved and Kunz seconded to add Tyanna Wolf to the West McPherson EMT roster; to remove Jon Mardian and add Trevor Zantow to the Leola Fire roster. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The following miscellaneous items and reports were reviewed and approved: Veterans Service Officers Quarterly Reports, Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of March 2019 for the amount of \$2,424.25, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of March 2019 for the amount of \$315.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of April 2nd, 2019 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank,

\$589,871.85; total amount of actual cash, \$928.80; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$54,111.68; Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts in the Treasurer's possession over three days, \$5,944.46; CD's, \$1,151,055.56; Super savings, \$1,306,170.92; total, \$3,108,083.27.

At 1:00PM Metzger moved and Kunz seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The county road tour is scheduled for April 4th. Those interested should meet at the county shop in Eureka at 10am. The commission will meet in special session April 9th beginning at 9:30AM and meet as the Equalization Board on April 9th, beginning at 10AM.

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard
McPherson County Auditor

Jeff Neuharth
Chairman of Board of Commissioners