

**McPherson County Board of Commissioners**  
**Minutes of Proceedings**  
**September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Neuharth called the meeting to order at 9:00AM. Members present were Rick Beilke, Delmar Metzger, Anthony Kunz and Sid Feickert. Others present: Don Kallenberger.

Beilke moved and Kunz seconded to approve the agenda of the September 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried. No conflicts of interest were declared.

Kunz moved and Feickert seconded to approve the minutes of the August 4<sup>th</sup> Commissioner's meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:**

Aberdeen Chrysler Center, Hwy Fuel Pump Repair, \$1014.00; Agtegra-Leola Shop, Hwy/Soil Dist./Sheriff Supplies, Courthouse Supplies, \$10,010.96; Amazon Capitol Services, Supplies/Equipment, \$622.78; Ameripride, Linen Services, \$441.02; Artistic Custom Badges & Coins, Sheriff Supplies, \$441.50; ATT, Cellphones, \$406.58; Auto Value, Hwy Supplies, \$434.71; Avera Occupational Medicine, HWY Random Test, \$159.60; Avera St. Luke's, Mental Health, \$713.54; Bluetarp Financial, Inc, HWY-Hose & Cupplers, \$636.83; Samantha Boshard, VSO Reimb., \$274.88; Jerry Bossert, Clothing Reimb., \$130.97; Lanette Butler, DOE Supplies-Bug Spray, \$4.79; Butler Machinery, Hwy-North Central Rental, \$5,400.00; Central Square, Field Ops Subscription, \$226.32; Century Business Products, Copier Service Contract, \$14.49; CHS, Inc, Hwy Propane, \$342.61; Crawford Truck & Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$115.97; Curt's Repair, Oil Change, \$61.00; Joshua Lee Halsey, Custom Installation Solutions, New Vehicle & Repair, \$2,303.75; Dakota Oil, Hwy Gear Lube, \$117.60; Dependable Sanitation, Utilities, \$252.00; Diesel Machinery Inc, Hwy Parts, \$2898.00; Dollar General, VSO Supplies, \$40.00; Election Systems & Software, Thumb Drives, \$542.31; Trisha Erdmann, Reimbursement, \$31.94; Eureka City, Hwy Utilities, \$63.35; Eureka Comm Health Services, Pre-employment & Blood Draw, \$75.75; Eureka Comm Health Services, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, \$7,125.00; Eureka Ready Mix Concrete, Hwy Supplies, \$5,264.00; FEM, Utilities, \$391.20; Flint Hills Resources, Hwy Supplies, \$73,071.10; Gene's Oil, Fuel, \$2,168.69; Brooke Graves, Reimb., \$53.76; Heartland Waste, Hwy Utilities, \$35.00; George Hulscher, Zoning Mtg Mileage, \$29.40; Jensen Rock & Sand, Hwy Supplies, \$79,746.66; Alvin Kallas, Zoning Mtg Mileage, \$10.50; Don Kallenberger, SA Rent/Mileage/Supply Reimb., \$327.15; Kens Food Fair, VSO Supplies, \$74.37; Kimball MidWest, Hwy Supplies, \$438.01; Richard Kolb, Zoning Mtg Mileage, \$2.94; Lakeside Lumber, Supplies, \$258.48; Leola City, Utilities, \$89.50; Lien Funeral Home, Indigent Cremation, \$1,200.00; Light & Siren, New Vehicle Equip, \$1,719.26; Long Lake Town, Utilities, \$244.00; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$344.000; MDU, Utilities, \$665.34; Travis Mehlhaff, LEPC Mtg Miles, \$2.10; Menards, Supplies, \$43.33; Dan Mettler, Zoning Mtg Mileage, \$21.00; MARC, Supplies, \$282.88; Mobile Binders, ROD Books, \$651.90; National 4-H Council, Awards, \$162.51; Northwest Blade,

Publishing, \$330.98; Peru, Inmate Ins, \$32.24; Pomp's Tire Service, Hwy Supplies/Repairs, \$1,465.99; Praxair Distribution, Hwy Supplies, \$70.23; Premier Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$1,366.86; Jackie Rau, LEPC Mtg Miles, \$29.40; Dickey Rural Telephone Coop, Server Maint./Backup, \$143.94; Safe Harbor, Marriage License Fees-Jan to July, \$120.00; SD Sheriffs Association, Sheriff Registration, \$60.00; SDAAO, DOE School, \$350.00; Glenn Spitzer, Clothing Allowance, \$159.74; Streicher's, Eureka JL Supplies, \$219.99; Kalen Thomas, Reimb., \$13.99; Truenorth Steel, Hwy Supplies, \$60,206.70; ValleyTelco, Phone/Internet, \$758.96; VISA, Supplies/Postage, \$324.86; Walworth County, Prisoner Care, \$380.00; Web Water, Courthouse Water, \$99.50; SDACC, M&P June Fees, \$126.00; State Treasurer, Money due to State, \$57,674.94; State Treasurer, Sales Tax, \$11.26; June amount remitted to Cities/Schools/Townships/Fire Districts, \$40,862.75; Ipswich Lumber, Courtroom Work, \$9.99; Leola City, Hwy Utilities, \$80.00; SD Assoc Of County Officials, Conference Registration, \$740.00; Avera Health, Dependent Insurance, \$747.45; CorTrust, Hwy Vehicle License, \$21.20; CorTrust, Deliq. Tax Payments, \$28.73.

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

#### **SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:**

Commissioners, \$3,200.35; Auditor, \$6,491.64; Treasurer, \$6,591.64; State's Attorney, \$6,248.09; Government Building, \$3,024.00; Director of Equalization, \$9,579.64; Register of Deeds, \$6,591.64; Veteran Service Officers, \$1,317.33; Sheriff, \$8,275.62; Extension, \$3,006.42; Planning and Zoning, \$240.00; Road & Bridge/Secondary Roads, \$54,407.96; E911, \$14.00; Emergency Management, \$1,013.35; Eureka Joint Law, \$3,000.00; Leola Joint Law, \$3,496.91.

McPherson County's Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$8,254.00

Insurance: American Family, \$545.01, Avera Health, \$11,345.69; Guardian Vision, \$190.60; MetLife, \$176.90; South Dakota Retirement System, \$6,223.55; Colonial Life Vision, \$76.24.

#### **INCREASED SALARIES:**

Kunz moved and Beilke seconded to increase Trisha Erdmann's salary \$50.00/month for her 18 month increase effective September 1<sup>st</sup>. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### **OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:**

##### DemKota Permit

Demkota representatives Dan DeHaan and Adam Bode joined the meeting. The centrifuge system is on site and scheduled to be installed. Two additional sites are secured for the dry manure the centrifuge system will produce. Loads into McPherson County are expected to be reduced by 1/3<sup>rd</sup> soon. The Wachter Township board has expressed concerns to Glenn Spitzer about the route the driver has been taking. Spitzer will have Wachter Township contact Demkota with any future complaints. The county also requested a copy of the load sheet to be sent with the payment each month.

Feickert moved and Metzger seconded to extend the 5-mile manure variance permit that was granted to DemKota Beef Plant at the July 2020 meeting until December 1st, 2020 with the price per load staying at \$200/load. 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. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### Charlie Hoffman District 23 Representative

The commission discussed their concerns and areas that they would like Hoffman to focus on while reviewing and supporting bills this upcoming session in Pierre. Jail space, costs of county infrastructure projects, school and county funding were all mentioned.

#### Highway Department

Glenn Spitzer updated the board on the highway department's current schedule for culvert replacement, graveling and mowing.

#### Right of Way Permits

Kunz moved and Beilke seconded to approve the following right of way permits: ValleyTelco, to bore fiber optic cable between Section 26 and Section 25 of T125-R67. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### Drainage Board

At 10:30AM Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to forego a drainage meeting for the month of August due to no new drainage permits. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### Director of Equalization

Lanette Butler updated the board on the GIS project completion date and website costs. Questions on building permits and if the discretionary formula can be applied to a structure where no building permit is present. The State's Attorney will look into the issue and discussion will continue at the next meeting.

#### VSO Office Sign

Beilke moved and Metzger seconded to order an outdoor sign from Fordham Signs for the exterior of the Eureka office space. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### County Health Nurse – Jaci Eberhart and Taylor Deurmier

Jaci Eberhart met with the commission along with Taylor Deurmier who will be taking over the role of County Health Nurse after Jaci Eberhart's retirement coming up in October. Eberhart

gave a report on the services provided. The commission thanked Jaci for her years serving as the county health nurse and wish her the best in her retirement.

#### Sheriff's Office/Emergency Management

The Walworth County regional jail was discussed. A new proposal involving renovating an existing building in Mobridge instead of building a jail structure in Selby was discussed. Costs and alternative options for McPherson County prisoners were discussed.

McPherson County's Covid-19 plan was discussed along with the quotes for an overnight dropbox and security cameras. Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to accept the security camera system quote from Gappa Electric and the overnight drop box quote from House of Glass. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### Budget 2021

At 11:30AM a hearing was held on the 2021 provisional budget. No changes were made. More discussion and the final budget adoption will take place on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 at 9AM.

#### Meeting Authorizations

Beilke moved and Kunz seconded for Vicki Geffre, Lindley Howard, Tiffany Weiszhaar and Glenn Spitzer to attend the SDACO Fall County Convention in Sioux Falls on September 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### Miscellaneous Items and Reports

The following miscellaneous items and reports were reviewed and approved: Veterans Service Officer August Report, Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of August 2020 for the amount of \$2,639.00, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of August 2020 for the amount of \$325.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$164,581.16; total amount of actual cash, \$1,712.29; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$11,935.29; CD's, \$1,161,542.72; Super savings, \$1,308,331.96; total, \$2,648,104.07.

At 1:30PM Kunz moved and Beilke seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The next regular 2021 budget adoption meeting will be held on Tuesday September 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 9AM and the next regular meeting will be on October 6<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9AM.

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard

McPherson County Auditor

Jeff Neuharth

Chairman of Board of Commissioners