

McPherson County Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Proceedings
February 2nd, 2021

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 2nd, 2021 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Kunz called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members present were Rick Beilke, Delmar Metzger, Sid Feickert, and Jeff Neuharth. Also present: Austin Hoffman.

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the agenda of the February meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried. No conflicts were declared.

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the minutes of the December 29th and January 5th commissioners' meetings. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 21-3
"PLAT APPROVAL"

"Be it resolved by the board of County Commissioners of McPherson County, South Dakota, that the Plat showing Woehlhoff Subdivision in the E1/2 SE1/4 of Section 27-126N-R72W of the 5th P.M., McPherson County, South Dakota" having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof."

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2021 at Leola, SD

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard
McPherson County Auditor

Anthony Kunz
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Metzger moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 21-3, Beilke seconded the foregoing motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried and Resolution Number 21-3 was declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION 21-4
"PLAT APPROVAL"

"Be it resolved by the board of County Commissioners of McPherson County, South Dakota, that the Plat showing Pudwill Subdivision in the N1/4 of Section 11-7126N-R68W of the 5th P.M., McPherson County, South Dakota" having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof."

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2021 at Leola, SD

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard
McPherson County Auditor

Anthony Kunz
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Metzger moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 21-4, Beilke seconded the foregoing motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried and Resolution Number 21-4 was declared duly adopted.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

Commissioners, \$3,254.75; Auditor, \$6,737.02; Treasurer, \$6,787.02; State's Attorney, \$3,975.17; Government Building, \$3,224.00; Director of Equalization, \$9,839.01; Register of Deeds, \$6,587.02; Veteran Service Officer, \$1,669.06; Sheriff, \$4,901.63; Coroner, \$450.00; Extension, \$3,099.20; Weed Control, \$20.90; Road & Bridge/Secondary Roads, \$46,294.80; Snow Removal, \$895.43; Emergency Management, \$666.68; Eureka Joint Law, \$3,166.67; Leola Joint Law, \$3,598.02.

McPherson County's Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$7,449.94

Insurance: American Family, \$511.96, Avera Health, \$10,773.95; Guardian Vision, \$171.54; MetLife, \$163.17; South Dakota Retirement System, \$6,115.89; Colonial Life Vision, \$76.24.

CLAIMS APPROVED:

Aberdeen Area Radiator, LLC, New Radiator, \$735.00; Aberdeen Chrysler Center, Hwy Parts, \$62.40; Agtegra-Leola Shop, Hwy Supplies, \$3,281.48; Amazon, Supplies, \$728.24; Aramark, Courthouse/Hwy Supplies, \$591.26; ATT, Cellphone Service, \$400.96; Auto Value, Hwy Supplies, \$247.96; Avera St. Luke's, Mental Health Hold, \$727.82; BlueTarp Financial, Inc, Hwy Supplies, \$4.02; Samantha Boshard, VSO Reimb., \$168.20; Butler, Hwy Supplies, \$2,191.23; CentralSquare Technologies LLC, Maintenance Fee, \$297.68; Century Business Products, Printer Contract, \$56.20; Christopher A. Haar, Court Appointed Attorney, \$1540.56; CHS, Courthouse/Hwy Propane, \$4,683.15; Cole Papers, Courthouse Supplies, \$250.95; Crawford Trucks & Equip., Hwy Supplies, \$19,421.91; Curt's Repair, Oil Change/Supplies, \$312.80; Joshua Lee Halsey, Sheriff Repairs, \$99.50; Trisha Erdmann, Misc Reimbursement, \$127.34; Eureka City, Utilities, \$63.70; Eureka MFG, Hwy Supplies, \$730.08; FEM, Utilities, \$437.10; Gene's Oil, Fuel, \$1,265.88; Glacial Lakes & Prairie Tourism, 2021 Allocation, \$300.00; Grow SD, 2021 Allocation, \$3,000.00; Heartland Waste, Hwy Utilities, \$70.00; Austin Hoffman, Rural Attorney Tuition Reimb. 20&21, \$8759.52; Austin Hoffman, Rent/Miles/Reimb, \$4853.69; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware, Supplies, \$266.91; Kary's Service Station, Sheriff Tires, \$880.00; Kimball Midwest, Hwy Supplies, \$636.82; Lakeside Lumber, Hwy/VSO Supplies, \$84.34; Leola City, Utilities, \$174.36; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$253.52; MDU, Utilities, \$650.47; Menards, Hwy Supplies, \$630.70; Microfilm Imaging, ROD/M&P Equip. Rent, \$404.40; Mid-American Research Chemical, Courthouse Supplies, \$175.43; City of Mobridge, 2021 Maintenance Fees, \$2,013.14; National 4-H Council, 4-H Supplies, \$295.55; National Business Furniture, Treasurer's Desks, \$2,088.20; Jeff Neuharth, Commissioner Miles, \$280.98; Northern Safety Technology, Hwy Supplies, \$534.61; Northwest Blade, Publishing, \$324.26; Overhead Door Brown County, Highway Supplies, \$66.00; Peru, Inmate Ins, \$64.48; Pomp's Tire Service, Hwy Supplies, \$2,154.07; Praxair Distribution, Hwy Supplies, \$127.73; Premier Equipment, Hwy

Supplies, \$8,774.27; Quill, Courthouse/Hwy Supplies, \$1,087.59; RDO Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$3,594.58; DRN Readitech, Server Maint/Backup, \$143.94; David Roggenkamp, Coroner Miles, \$29.40; Ron's Service Center, Hwy Supplies, \$11.06; Runnings, Hwy Supplies-Grease Gun, \$249.99; Ryan Sanborn, Shooting Sports Reimb., \$583.48; South Central Crime Conference, Dues, \$50.00; Michael Schwingler, Hwy Supplies, \$27.64; SD Assoc. of County Officials, Conference, \$330.00; SD Public Health Laboratory, Alcohol Test, \$40.00; Share, Hwy Supplies, \$278.24; Stanley Spitzer, Hwy Tools, \$150.00; Thee Glass Doktor LLC, Hwy Window Supplies, \$1,021.11; Transource Truck & Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$1,449.35; USPS, ROD Stamps, \$387.00; Valley Telco, Phone/Internet, \$761.61; Visa, Postage/SUBS/Supplies, \$257.34; Warne Chemical & Equipment CO, Weed & Pest Supplies, \$245.62; Web Water Bottling, Courthouse Water, \$80.00; Westside Heating AC, Hwy Propane, \$351.29. Avera Health, Dependent Insurance, \$866.42; Guardian, COBRA Vision, \$32.11, State Treasurer, Sales/Excise Tax, \$921.06; SDACC M&P, December Fees, \$120.00; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$35,297.31; December Amount Remitted to Cities/Schools/Townships/Fire Districts, \$87,933.24, CorTrust Bank, Deliq. Tax, \$89,327.58; Harold Scherff, Refund, \$102.67.

Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the forgoing claims. 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 operational. January loads into McPherson were down and should go down further once the additional site for solid manure in Edmunds County is accepting loads. Permit fee was discussed with no action taken at this time.

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to extend the 5-mile manure variance permit that was granted to DemKota Beef Plant at the November 2020 meeting until June 1st, 2021 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.

Micheal Binder – National Grid Renewables/Geronimo Energy

Micheal Binder met with the board to give them a brief overview of Geronimo Energy's plans for developing a wind farm in the northern part of McPherson County.

Drainage Board

At 10:30AM Neuharth moved and Feickert 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.

State's Attorney

Beilke moved and Neuharth seconded to reimburse Austin Hoffman \$50/month for his West Law Subscription and \$50/month for his cellphone for the year 2021. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Director of Equalization

Lanette Butler presented other counties fees for the companies purchasing the GIS shape file. A recommendation will be presented at the next meeting for approval.

4-H Shooting Sports/SDSU Memorandum of Understanding

Coaches from 4-H Shooting Sports presented bills for building materials purchased to implement the COVID shooting sports guidelines set forth by SDSU. Extension agent Jackie Rau disagreed with the expenses being reimbursed from the Extension budget. Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to reimburse Ryan Sanborn for the necessary building materials that were purchased. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Achievement days were also briefly discussed.

Feickert moved and Bielke seconded to sign the 2021 SDSU Memorandum of Understanding. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to go into executive session at 11:35AM to discuss legal matters. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to exit executive session at 11:55AM. All voted in favor. Motion carried. No action taken.

Treasurer – Tax Deed Properties

A list of tax deed properties with Treasurer's Tax Deed ready to be filed were presented to the commission, concerns and questions were discussed with Hoffman. Sheriff Ackerman will post 'no trespassing signs' on the structures with Treasurer's Tax Deeds filed on them. Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to withhold filing Treasurer's Tax Deed on tax sale #3 (\$ 150' of Lot L of SW1/4 of Section 17, T126-R67, except the West 68', unplatted City of Leola, McPherson County, South Dakota) and give the current tenant of the aforementioned property 60 days' notice. All voted in favor.

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to have the Treasurer begin the tax deed process on the following property previously withheld:

- A. Tax Sale #104 - South Ninety-Two (92') of Lot Two (2); Lot Three (3) less West Seven (7') of North Twenty-Eight (28); Lot Four (4) Block Fourteen (14) Original Plat to Long Lake Town, McPherson County, South Dakota.

- B. Tax Sale #105 - Lots Three (3), Four (4) and Five (5) Block Twenty-Four (24) Original Plat of Long Lake Town, McPherson County, South Dakota.
- C. Tax Sale #106 – Lots Six (6) through Sixteen (16) Block Twenty-Four (24) Original Plat of Long Lake Town, McPherson County, South Dakota.
- D. Tax Sale #107 – Lots One (1), Two (2), Five (5) and Six (6) Block Twenty- Five (25) Original Plat of Long Lake Town, McPherson County, South Dakota.
- E. Tax Sale #108 – Lots Three (3) and Four (4) Block Twenty-Five (25) Original Plat of Long Lake Town, McPherson County, South Dakota.

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to call for gravel, road oil and hot mix bids to be opened at 10AM on March 2nd, 2021. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Glenn Spitzer updated the board on the Leola Dam project and the County Road 7 grinding project. A buyback option on the 644K Hybrid loader was discussed. Condition of equipment and equipment needs were also discussed.

Right of Way Permits

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the following right of way permits:

- 1: WEB Water to bore a potable water line in Section 34 of T127-R73
- 2: WEB Water to bore a potable water line in Section 33 of T127-R73
- 3: WEB Water to bore a potable water line in Section 32 of T127-R73
- 4: WEB Water to bore a potable water line in Section 32 of T127-R73

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Authorizations

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded the following meeting authorizations: Jackie Rau to attend any SDSU Extension/4-H meetings that are required in 2021; Austin Hoffman to attend a conference in North Dakota; Lindley Howard, Vicki Geffre and Tiffany Weiszhaar to attend the New Officials Conference in Pierre on March 17th and 18th with the Treasurer's office closing for those two days; Lindley Howard to attend the Welfare Workshop in Pierre on March 10th; Michael Schwingler to attend a Weed Conference in February. All voted in favor. Motion carried

Miscellaneous Items and Reports

The following miscellaneous items and reports were reviewed and approved: Veteran's Service Officer January 2021 hours, Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of January 2021 for the amount of \$3549.00, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of January 2021 for the amount of \$290.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of January 31st, 2021 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$394,263.08; total amount of actual cash, \$871.42; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$21,254.02; Itemized list of all items, checks

and drafts in the Treasurer's possession over three days, \$735.95; CD's, \$1,163,082.49; Super savings, \$1,449,051.78; total, \$3,029,258.74.

At 2:50PM Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on March 2nd, 2021 beginning at 10AM. The Road Tour is scheduled for March 5th, 2021 at 9AM leaving from the Eureka Highway Shop.

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard

McPherson County Auditor

Anthony Kunz

Chairman of Board of Commissioners