

McPherson County Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Proceedings
May 11th, 2021

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, May 11th, 2021 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Anthony Kunz called the meeting to order at 9:00AM. Members' present were: Rick Beilke, Delmar Metzger, Sid Feickert, and Jeff Neuharth. Also, present: Austin Hoffman.

Beilke moved and Metzger seconded to approve the agenda of the May 11th meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried. No conflicts were declared.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to approve the minutes of the April 6th, April 13th Equalization and Special Meeting and April 27th Special meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 21-11
"PLAT APPROVAL"

"Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of McPherson County, South Dakota, that the Plat "Plat of Lots 1 and 2 of Hoops Addition, in the NE1/4 and the E1/2 E1/2 NW1/4 of Section 27, Township 128 North, Range 73 West of the 5th P.M., McPherson County, South Dakota" having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL, Chapter 11-2-3, and any amendments thereof."

Dated this 11th day of May, 2021 at Leola, SD

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard
McPherson County Auditor

Anthony Kunz
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Neuharth moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 21-11, Beilke seconded the foregoing motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried and Resolution Number 21-11 was declared duly adopted.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

Commissioners, \$3,254.75; Auditor, \$6,787.02; Treasurer, \$4,975.01; 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, \$150.00; Extension, \$3,099.20; Planning & Zoning, \$240.00; Road & Bridge/Secondary Roads, \$53,214.15; 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: \$7,819.86

Insurance: American Family, \$511.96, Avera Health, \$10,615.30; Guardian Vision, \$171.54; MetLife, \$178.71; South Dakota Retirement System, \$6,118.78; Colonial Life Vision, \$66.71.

CLAIMS APPROVED:

Dave Ackerman, Postage Reimbursement, \$7.70; Agtegra-Leola Shop, Hwy/Courthouse Supplies, \$18,699.00; Amazon, Supplies, \$584.46; American Income Life Insurance, 4-H Insurance, \$309.50; Aramark, Courthouse/Hwy Supplies, \$740.18; Art's Body Shop, Windshield Repair, \$50.00; Auto Value, Hwy Supplies, \$84.92; Avera Occupational Medicine, Hwy Random Test, \$82.25; Black Hills Ammunition, Sheriff Supplies, \$329.50; Samantha Boshard, VSO Reimb., \$227.00; Jerry Bossert, Clothing Reimb., \$79.86; Butler, Hwy Supplies/Equipment/Rental, \$365,892.44; Cartney Bearing, Hwy Supplies, \$103.89; Century Business Products, Printer Contract, \$23.16; CHS, Hwy Propane, \$501.28; Cole Papers, Courthouse Supplies, \$224.10; Crawford Trucks & Equip., Hwy Supplies, \$188.66; Curt's Repair, Oil Change/Hwy Supplies, \$75.52; Dakota Doors, LLC, Hwy Supplies-Shop Door, \$4,670.37; Dakota Electronics, Hwy Supplies-Radio, \$494.00; Dependable Sanitation, Garbage, \$252.00; Dept of Legislative Audit, Audit, \$16,390.00; Trisha Erdmann, Supplies Reimb., \$11.46; Eureka City, Utilities, \$61.90; Eureka MFG INC, Hwy Supplies, \$145.28; Galls Incorporated, Sheriff Supplies, \$314.23; Gappa Electric LLC, Cameras, \$2009.72; Dean Geffre, Clothing Reimb., \$42.59; Vicki Geffre, Conference Meals, \$32.00; Gene's Oil, Fuel, \$2,117.34; Brooke Graves, Batteries, \$2.93; Austin B Hoffman, Copies/Miles, \$127.20; Lindley Howard, Meals/Basket, \$58.67; George Hulscher, 4/8 & 4/29 Zoning MTG Miles, \$58.80; Inman Irrigation, Hwy Supplies, \$149.29; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware, Hwy Supplies, \$3,238.60; Dawn Jenner, Meals, \$20.00; Alvin Kallas, 4/8 & 4/29 Zoning Mtg Miles, \$21.00; Kimball Midwest, Hwy Supplies, \$359.28; Richard Kolb, 4/8 & 4/29 Zoning MTG Miles, \$5.88; Lakeside Lumber, Hwy Supplies, \$117.32; Leola City, Utilities, \$188.86; Lewis & Clark Behavioral, Mental Health, 184.00; Lucy Lewno, Mental Health, \$81.50; Loiseau Construction INC, 63,276.00; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$289.91; Menard's, Hwy Supplies, \$667.76; Dan Mettler, 4/8 Zoning Mtg Miles, \$21.00; Microfilm Imaging, ROD/M&P Equip. Rent, \$439.40; Nelson Sales and Services LLC, Hwy Supplies, \$907.24; Northern Plains Machine, Hwy Supplies, \$54.00; Performance Oil, Hwy Supplies, \$4.99; Peru, Inmate Insurance, \$31.20; Premier Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$1,481.07; Quill, Supplies, \$388.31; Ramkota Hotel-Pierre, Conference Hotel, \$303.00; Jackie Rau, Registration Reimb., \$10.00; DRN Readitech, Server Maint/Backup, \$143.94; David Roggenkamp, Coroner Miles, \$9.24; Michael Schwingler, Clean Air Cert., \$20.00; SD Game Fish & Parks, \$3,300.51; SD Public Assurance Alliance, Equip Addition, \$187.37; Share, Hwy Supplies, \$120.47; Stan Houston Equip CO INC, Hwy Supplies, \$612.24; Craig Steinley, USPAP Course Registration, \$300.00; Streicher's, Sheriff Equip, \$1,018.99; Truenorth Steel, Hwy Supplies, \$58,543.60; USPS, Aud Postage, \$220.00; Valley Telco, Phone/Internet, \$836.95; Warne Chemical & Equip Co, Weed Supplies-Gloves, \$106.90; Web Water Bottling, Courthouse Water, \$132.00; Tiffany Weiszhaar, Conference Meals, \$32.00; Yankton County Treasurer, Mental Health, \$50.00; ATT, Cellphone Service, \$404.36; FEM, Utilities, \$351.12; MDU, Utilities, \$653.19; Premium Quality Lighting

INC, Courtroom Lights, \$655.05; Visa, Mail/Sub/Supplies, \$344.03. Avera Health, Dependent Insurance, \$866.42; Guardian, COBRA Vision, \$32.11, State Treasurer, Sales Tax, \$309.06; SDACC M&P, March Fees, \$144.00; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$63,881.66; March Amount Remitted to Cities/Schools/Townships/Fire Districts, \$431,212.79; CorTrust Bank, Deliq. Tax, \$498.14; Clayton Bertsch, Tax Refund 21-01, \$757.43.

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

ADDED SALARIES:

Beilke moved and Feickert seconded to add the following salary: Heather Mehlhaff, State's Attorney Secretary beginning May 27th at 16.33/hour for 20 hours per week. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

BIDS:

At 9:30AM the following bids were received and reviewed by the commission:

John Deere 644K Hybrid Loader:

RDO Butler CAT – \$199,600

Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to accept the bid from RDO and to surplus the John Deere 644K Loader. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Double Cell Precast Reinforced Concrete Box Culvert with the following specs: an opening span of 28' by 4' rise (2-14'x4') with straight wing walls and a 3-sided precast concrete drop structure; Drop structure shall have a concrete base with a span on 34' and a width of 6'- 8', side walls shall be 6' high; County anticipates ordering 54' of culvert barrel, 1 end section and 1 drop structure.

Forterra – \$89,508.20

Engineered Concrete Products- \$122,300

CemCast Pipe & Precast - \$173,133.05

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to accept Forterra's low bid. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:

DemKota Permit

Demkota representatives Dan DeHaan and Adam Bode joined the meeting. A secondary site for solid manure has been secured pending state permit approval. The centrifuge system is operational.

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to extend the 5-mile manure variance permit that was granted to DemKota Beef Plant at the February 2021 meeting until September 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.

Drainage Board

At 10:30AM Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to forgo meeting as the McPherson County Drainage Commission for the month of May. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

Feickert moved and Metzger seconded to sign the SDDOT road striping agreement for approximately 30 miles of road to be striped and McPherson County's share of the cost will be \$12,540.38. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to sell scrap steel. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to surplus the 2003 Genie Lift Z80160 and sell on purplewave; salvage an old unusable sander with no value. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Feickert moved and Beilke seconded to call for bids for spray foam insulation for the Leola shop, to be opened at 10AM on July 6th, 2021. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Right of Way Permits

Beilke moved and Feickert seconded to approve the following right of way permit FEM to knife 2-inch power cable between Section 32 and Section 29 of T127-R66 and Section 32 and Section 33 of T126-R66. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to approve the following permit pending payment: East River Electric to run overhead electric line with 477 ACSR cable from the substation in Section 34 of T127-R67 across 111th Street in the right of way along 365th Ave through sections 27,22,15, and 10 crossing 110th and 108th streets; crossing 365th ave and running along 107th street in the right of way through sections 11 and 12 of T127-R67 crossing 366th Ave and through sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of T127-R66 crossing 368th Ave and 371st Ave. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Jacki Hoffman – Leola ArtsC

Jacki Hoffman representing Leola ArtsC spoke with the commission about the upcoming Mollie B concert to be held in Leola on June 26th.

Public Concerns

The board discussed resolutions the commission could enact in opposition of action taken at the federal level against the second amendment and the proposed 30x30 land grab issued in Executive Order 14008. Resolutions will be considered at the next meeting.

Director of Equalization

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the GIS license agreement addendum with

CoreLogic. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

A zoning ordinance update was given. The zoning meeting is June 3rd beginning at 9AM.

Paige Brown

Paige Brown, Steven Reid, and James Croshaw approached the board about the property valuation, and corresponding tax bill of record #7720 if the property were to sell and no longer be considered tax exempt.

Abatements

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded to approve the following abatements:

1. 21-02 Finance All - Record #8637 property was taken for tax deed in 2017 and didn't sell, property is in the County's name and currently tax exempt: Abate years PAY 2019- PAY 2017: Total County portion \$9.39.
2. 21-03 USA (Fish & Wildlife) - Record #2824 property is tax exempt: Abate current year PAY 2021: County portion \$16.32; Secondary Road portion \$3.62
3. 21-04 Robert Hritz (City of Eureka) - Record #7895. Property sold to the City of Eureka in January 2020 property is tax exempt. Abate current year PAY 2021: County portion \$30.87.
4. 21-05 Leola Housing & Redevelopment - Record #7281 property was deemed tax exempt: Abate year PAY 2020: County portion \$102.68

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Veterans Service Officer

Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to approve the 2021 VetraSpec Quote for \$357.97/yr and to allow the Veterans Service Officer to participate in the EurekaFest July 3rd and Rhubarb Days June 27th parades with a float. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Beilke moved and Feickert seconded to enter into executive session at 11:45AM to discuss legal matters. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Metzger moved and Neuharth to exit executive session at 12:05PM. All voted in favor. Motion carried. No action taken.

Meeting Authorizations

Neuharth moved and Beilke seconded the following meeting authorizations: Glenn Spitzer to attend the CAT tour/Safety training May 12-14; Brooke Graves to attend the USPAP training in Pierre, June 17-18; Lanette Butler, Brooke Graves and Sharon Guthmiller to attend a Vanguard User meeting and close the Equalization Office on July 7th and July 8th. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

HB1259 the funding for small structure inventory was discussed. Signing project has begun. An update on road maintenance was given

Miscellaneous Items and Reports

The 2022 Budget process has begun; brief discussion was held on revenue and a 1st draft will be discussed at the next meeting. The following miscellaneous items and reports were reviewed and approved: Veteran's Service Officer April 2021 hours, Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month of April 2021 for the amount of \$4,515.75, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected during month of April 2021 for the amount of \$455.00, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of April 30th, 2021 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$337,063.30; total amount of actual cash, \$1,146.88; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$309,001.31; Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts in the Treasurer's possession over three days, \$0.00; CD's, \$1,163,082.49; Super savings, \$3,693,260.10; total, \$5,503,554.08.

At 12:25PM Metzger moved and Beilke seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The next commission meetings are scheduled for June 1st, 2021 beginning at 9AM and July 6th, 2021 beginning at 9AM. The zoning board will meet on June 3rd, 2021 beginning at 9AM.

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard

McPherson County Auditor

Anthony Kunz

Chairman of Board of Commissioners