

McPherson County Zoning Board
Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2021

The McPherson County Zoning Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Neuharth at 1:00 PM. Members present included Alvin Kallas, Richard Kolb, Dan Mettler and George Hulscher. Also present were members of the Eureka City council Dennis Schwingler and Dennis Heilman, member of the Leola City council, Jackie Rau. Also present were Austin Hoffman, McPherson County State's attorney, Eric Senger, NECOG and Lanette Butler, McPherson County Zoning Administrator.

Motion to approve the November 3, 2021 meeting minutes as published was made 1st by Richard Kolb and 2nd by George Hulscher. Motion passed.

No conflicts of interest were brought forward for today's agenda.

Discussion of joint jurisdiction with the cities of Eureka and Leola took place. Discussion on who is ultimately going to be responsible for zoning within one mile of the cities and how best to represent those constituents. The cities of Eureka and Leola agreed that the county should be responsible for anything up to the city limits. In the 1-mile jurisdiction, both cities request that they be notified of any building permits as well as any variances or conditional use permits so that they have the opportunity to participate in the hearings. Eureka and Leola will need to provide maps of the 1-mile jurisdictional boundaries that they have on record. Language will be updated in the ordinance to reflect what was discussed.

Discussion continued on bylaws for the zoning board. At the next meeting, board members need to be prepared to discuss in further detail.

The next meeting will be January 11, 2022 at 9 AM.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made 1st by Alvin Kallas and 2nd by Richard Kolb. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by
Lanette Butler
Zoning Administrator