McPherson County Board of Commissioners and McPherson County Zoning Board Minutes of Proceedings August 23rd, 2022

A special joint meeting of the McPherson County Board of Commissioners and the McPherson County Zoning Board was called to order by Chairman Anthony Kunz on August 23rd, 2022 at 9:07AM. Commissioners present were: Delmar Metzger, Sid Feickert, and Jeff Neuharth. Absent: Rick Beilke. A quorum of McPherson County Board of Commissioners was established. Zoning Members present: Jeff Neuharth and Dan Mettler. Absent: Richard Kolb, George Hulscher and Alvin Kallas. A quorum of McPherson County Zoning Board members was not established.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to approve the agenda of the August 23rd meeting, noting the following correction: the next regularly scheduled zoning meeting is October 13th beginning at 9AM. All commissioners present voted in favor. Motion carried. No conflicts of interest were declared.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to have Chairman Kunz sign the Domina Law Professional Services Agreement for County Assistance. All commissioners present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Approximately 30 citizens joined the meeting and discussion was held on the Emmons County, ND industrial conditional use permits recently passed requiring 100% voluntary easements and a permit fee of 3% the total project cost. Discussion and public input was heard on several topics including: zoning permit fee structure, requiring voluntary easements, if the Summit Carbon Solutions pipeline qualifies as a common carrier, eminent domain, requiring 3rd party highway and agriculture land inspections for zoning permits, hiring a zoning enforcer, future green energy requirements, having an agriculture exclusion for certain zoning permits, and SD School and Public Land.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to recommend that the McPherson County Zoning Board include in the zoning ordinance rewrite that the Summit Carbon Solutions CO2 pipeline obtain 100% voluntary easements in McPherson County for the project. All commissioners present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Notice of a quorum per SDCL 1-25-1, a quorum of county commissioners may be present at the Glacial Lakes Energy Open House on August 31st, 2022 from 11am-1pm, this event is hosted by a nongovernmental entity to which a quorum of the public body is invited and public policy may be discussed but the public body does not control the agenda.

At 10:35AM Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to adjourn the meeting. All commissioners present voted in favor. Motion carried. The next regular commissioners meeting is scheduled for September 6th, 2022 beginning at 9AM. The next regular zoning meeting is scheduled for October 13th beginning at 9AM.

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard McPherson County Auditor Anthony Kunz Chairman of Board of Commissioners