

McPherson County Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Proceedings
December 1st, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, December 1st, 2022 in the Commissioners chambers. Chairman Anthony Kunz called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Members' present were Sid Feickert, Delmar Metzger and Jeff Neuharth. Absent: Rick Beilke.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to approve the agenda of the December 1st, 2022 meeting. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. No conflicts of interest were declared.

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to approve the minutes of the November 14th commissioners meeting. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

At 10:45AM, no public comments or concerns were heard by the board.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

Commissioners, \$3,368.65; Election, \$150.00; Auditor, \$7,191.23; Treasurer, \$7,191.23; State's Attorney, \$6,136.48; Government Building, \$3,380.00; Director of Equalization, \$10,527.90; Register of Deeds, \$7,141.23; Veteran Service Officer, \$1,769.14; Sheriff, \$8,100.70; Extension, \$3,291.01; Weed, \$221.10; Road & Bridge/Secondary Roads, \$38,372.78; Snow Removal, \$7,532.57; Emergency Management, \$166.67; Eureka Joint Law, \$3,533.34; Leola Joint Law, \$4,066.46.

McPherson County's Share of the following:

Social Security and Medicare: CorTrust Bank: \$8,097.92

Insurance: American Family, \$409.29, Avera Health, \$11,844.33; Guardian Vision, \$142.95; MetLife, \$166.54; South Dakota Retirement System, \$6,600.58; Colonial Life Vision, \$66.71.

INCREASED SALARIES:

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to increase Kyra Mosers salary by \$50/month as of December 1st (2-year increase). All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED:

Agtegra-Leola Shop, Hwy/Conservation Supplies, \$318.32; Amazon, Supplies, \$387.99; Aramark, Courthouse/Hwy Supplies, \$990.40; ATT, Cellphone Service, \$450.06; Auto Value, Hwy Supplies, \$180.92; Avera Occupational Medicine, Pre-employment, \$95.25; Samantha Boshard, VSO Reimb., \$35.70; Jerry Bossert, Clothing Reimb., \$200.00; Ivy Bossert, Election Wages, \$7.50; Butler, Hwy Supplies, \$1,855.47; Century Business Products, Printer Contract, \$10.07; CHS, Propane, \$1,734.15; Crawford Trucks & Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$2,127.60; Curt's Repair, Oil Change/Hwy Supplies, \$98.00; Joshua Lee Halsey, Install of Equip, \$3,090.00; D-Ware Inc, 2023 Fees, \$4,350.00; Brandon Duquette, Clothing Reimb, \$199.95; Eureka City, Utilities/Bulk Water, \$117.60; FEM, Utilities, \$432.47; Dean Geffre, Clothing Reimb, \$69.17; Gene's Oil, Fuel, \$7,124.78; G&R Controls, Start Up/Repairs/Parts, \$7,027.38; George Hulscher, Zoning Miles, \$35.70; Alvin Kallas, Zoning Miles, \$12.75; Danny Kempf Estate, Tool Box, \$300.00; Kimball Midwest, Hwy Supplies, \$747.26; Richard Kolb, Zoning Miles, \$3.57; Lakeside Lumber, Hwy Supplies, \$1,271.17; Leola City, Utilities, \$202.58; Les'sandard, Repair, \$525.83; Linde Gas & Equipment INC, Hwy Supplies, \$112.39; Greg McCulloch, Clothing Reimb, \$170.39; McPherson County Herald, Publishing, \$196.33; MDU, Utilities, \$843.74; MARC, Supplies, \$615.36;

National 4-H Council, 4-H Supplies, \$222.86; CRS, Inmate Insurance, \$33.00; Plastic Works, Hwy Supplies, \$13,427.00; Pomp's Tire Service, Hwy Supplies-Tires, \$5,876.32; Popp Binding & Laminating, Ext Supplies, \$145.62; Premier Equipment, Hwy Supplies, \$11,763.08; Quill, Supplies, \$196.24; Jackie Rau, Reimb, \$26.07; Dickey Rural Telephone Coop, Server Main/Backup/Fix, \$452.14; Duane Rogers, Rocks & Royalty, \$26,340.25; SD Assoc of Co Hwy, 2023 Dues, \$350.00; SD DOT, Cutting Edge, \$782.37; SD Sheriffs' Assoc, Dues, \$572.33; SDML Worker's Comp Fund, 39,247.00; SD Public Assurance Alliance, Insurance, \$68,097.15; Share Corporation, Hwy Supplies, \$253.19; Henry Spitzer, Reimb, \$35.05; Streicher's Inc, Supplies & Equip, \$3,040.47; Visa, Hotel, \$131.99; Visa, Supplies, \$206.45; Visa, Supplies/Sub/Hotel, \$1,307.53; WM D Scepaniak Inc, Rental/Crush Gravel, \$107,032.58; Yankton County Treasurer, Mental Health, \$50.00; Avera Health, Dependent Insurance, \$679.42; McPherson Co Clerk of Courts, Overpayment Refund, \$1,019.00; Avera LTC Pharmacy, Inmate Meds, \$1,290.49; Prime Time, Election Meals, \$76.64; State Treasurer, Sales/Excise Tax, \$164.15; SDACC M&P, October Fees, \$112.00; State Treasurer, Money Due to State, \$46,957.27; October Amount Remitted to Cities/Schools/Townships/Fire Districts, \$1,804,017.38; CorTrust Bank, Deliq. Tax, \$91.15; Lamb Motor Company, New Patrol Vehicle, \$37,431.00.

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

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN:

Ordinance 22-01

At 10AM a second reading was held for ordinance 22-01 an ordinance authorizing a joint cooperative agreement for North Central Regional 911 Center and establishing nine county positions for the committee members. Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the second reading and adopt ordinance 22-01. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Lorne Serr – Mark Mehlhaff

Lorne Serr spoke with the commission about the proposed 2023 county health plan.

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to accept the proposed plan and to pay 100% of the premium for fulltime employees on the group policy, if the employee's premium is less than \$600 up to \$600 can be rolled over for a dependent on the county policy; for employees not on the group policy the county will reimburse \$600/month for elected officials and full time employees (working 35 hours a week or more) and \$300/month for part time employees (working 34 hours a week or less) for proof of other health insurance coverage. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Drainage Board

At 10:30AM Feickert moved and Metzger seconded to forgo meeting as the McPherson County Drainage Commission for the month of December due to no new permits. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Department

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to call for propane, fuel, gasoline, and ethanol bids to be opened on December 29th at 10AM. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to transfer the budgeted \$304,019 from General Fund to Highway Road and Bridge. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to approve the Rural Access Infrastructure 5-year plan. All

present voted in favor. Motion carried. The 5-year plan is on file in the Auditor or Hwy office. Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to release the \$1000 road bond to Boulder Colony pending fine payment. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Discussion was held on road conditions so far this winter, tractors, and staffing concerns.

Auditor's Office

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to have chairman Kunz sign the NECOG Joint Cooperative Agreement and the SDML Intergovernmental contract for SDML Workers Compensation. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 2022 budget, contingency transfers for the end of December and the cash on hand estimate.

Sheriff's Department

Discussion was held on a jail concept being proposed by Mobridge City. Motor issues have taken the 2015 Dodge sheriff's pickup off the road. There is an opportunity to purchase a 2023 Ford from Lamb Motors. Ackerman will explore this option.

Director of Equalization

US Fish and Wildlife has requested that the county waive the fee for US Fish and Wildlife to obtain the county's GIS Shapefile. No action taken.

Executive Session

Neuharth moved and Feickert seconded to enter executive session at 12PM to discuss personnel matters. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Metzger moved and Feickert seconded to exit executive session at 12:15PM. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. No action taken.

Executive Session

Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to enter executive session at 1:15PM to discuss personnel matters. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to exit executive session at 1:45PM. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. No action taken.

Meeting Authorizations

Metzger moved and Feickert seconded to approve the following meetings: Lindley Howard to attend SDSOS meeting in Pierre on December 12th. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Items and Reports

Feickert moved and Metzger seconded to grant December 23rd as a holiday. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. The following miscellaneous items and reports were reviewed and approved: Veteran's Service Officer November 2022 hours, November 2022 Register of Deeds statement of fees collected during the month, \$2,732.50, Register of Deed's Modernization and Preservation fees collected November 2022, \$205, Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer as of November 30th, 2022 as follows: total amount of deposits in Leola Bank, \$291,508.85; total amount of actual cash, \$1,160.20; total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days, \$23,284.01; Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts in the Treasurer's possession over three days, \$715.05; Miscellaneous cash, \$0.00; CD's, \$1,165,545.35; Super savings, \$2,183,466.10; total, \$3,665,679.53.

At 2:00PM Feickert moved and Neuharth seconded to adjourn the meeting. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be held Thursday December 29th beginning at 10AM and Tuesday, January 3rd beginning at 10AM.

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard

McPherson County Auditor

Anthony Kunz

Chairman of Board of Commissioners