

McPherson County Zoning Board and Board of Adjustment
Minutes of Proceedings
November 12th, 2025

Call to Order

The McPherson County Zoning Board was called to order by Chairman Mike Mardian at 8:57 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers. Members present included George Hulscher, Logan Heupel, Dan Mettler, and Richard Kolb. Also present was Hunter Heinrich from Zoning Administration and several people from the public.

Agenda

Dan Mettler moved, and Richard Kolb seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

Dan Mettler moved, and Logan Heupel seconded to approve October 21st, 2025, meeting minutes as published. Motion carried.

Conflicts of Interest

Mike Mardian and Richard Kolb had a conflict of interest with 25-V-02.

Public Comments

No public comments were heard.

Board of Adjustment

George Hulscher moved, and Richard Kolb seconded to go into the Board of Adjustments at 9:00 A.M. Motion Carried.

George Hulscher made a motion and Dan Mettler seconded to put Jeff Neuharth and Glenn Spitzer as alternates. Motion carried. Discussion was had on Variance Permit 25-V-02 with Gordon Petrich. They would like to add a pole barn addition less than 150 feet from the center of the road. Jeff Neuharth made a motion and George Hulscher seconded to approve 25-V-02 with the stipulation that if snow build up becomes an issue, that he would have to clear it himself. Motion carried. After further discussion with the McPherson County States Attorney, this vote was not declared legally binding because an alternate chairperson was not appointed. This matter will be taken up at a later date.

Logan Heupel made a motion and Jeff Neuharth seconded to reinstate Richard Kolb and Mike Mardian and to move out of the Board of Adjustment at 9:04 AM. Motion carried

Public Hearing

Public Hearing was had on #2025-2 and #2025-3. Public comments were asked for #2025-2, and no comment was heard. Public comments were asked for #2025-3, and Layne Lux commented that moving the distance of hauling manure from 5 to 10 miles would help his farming operation. After some discussion, Dan made a motion and George seconded to make a recommendation of approval of #2025-2 and #2025-3 to the County Commissioners. Motion carried.

New Business

State's Attorney Austin Hoffman gave the annual review of open meeting laws per SDCL 1-25-13. Mention was made that the Commissioners signed a contract with NECOG to help create an updated Comprehensive Plan for McPherson County. Eric Odenbach sent information from the State of South Dakota regarding information on airports. Discussion was made to table this topic until more information was brought forward.

Building Permits

Building Permits 25-32 – 25-37 were discussed. 25-32 – Bieber Red Angus LLC – Hoop Building; 25-33 – Pat Lapka – Used Grain Bin; 25-34 – Pat Lapka – Used Grain Bin; 25-35 – Gordon Petrich – Pole Barn Addition; 25-36 – Mike Kallas – Detached Garage; 25-37 – Kunz Northern Kross Ranch – Pole Barn.

The next meeting will be on December 2nd, 2025.

Adjournment

Logan Heupel moved, and Mike Mardian seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:29 A.M.

Hunter Heinrich
Zoning Administrator

Mike Mardian
Chairman of the Zoning Board