

McPherson County Board Minutes



MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

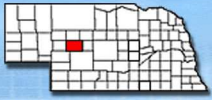
JANUARY 8, 2020

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of December 9, 2019, for the annual Statutory Meeting & Regular Monthly Meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated January 2, 2020. Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM. Board Members John Bryant, Carl Rundback and Brett Nason were present. Also present were the County Attorney Whitney Lindstedt, Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Weed Superintendent Rich Cook, County Sheriff Tom Burch, Road Worker Edd Black and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. The Chairman noted the Public Meetings law which is posted in the meeting room. Rundback moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback , Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None. Rundback moved to appoint John Bryant as Board Chairman for 2020. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved to appoint Brett Nason, vice chairman for 2020. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Rundback and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Rundback made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL

AMOUNT

Payroll	Wages	24,394.90
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,348.05
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	5,083.64
John Bryant	Mileage	145.00
Central NE Mortuary	Autopsy Expenses	1,495.00
COBRA - Vision	Vision Insurance	16.73
Richard Cook	Weed Expenses	51.04
Custer Public Power	Utilities	638.02
DAS St. Accounting	Computer Expense	84.32
Jodi Dudley	Mileage	156.60
Fastenal	Supplies/ Maintencance	84.54
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	440.41
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgnt	61.99
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage/Meals	173.30
Ideal Linen	Services	87.96
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,844.62
Lincoln County Treasurer	Extension Contract	1,720.16
Whitney Lindstedt	Child Suppt/Mileage	215.00
MIPS	Data Processing	904.21
Brett Nason	Mileage	205.32
NE Clerks District Court	Dues	50.00
NE Institute Forensic Science	Autopsy	2,000.00
Neal Oil	Heating/Supplies/Fuel	136.89
Donald Nicholson	Prior Service	132.00
Quality Inn Kearney	Convention	825.00
Staples Credit Plan	Supplies	394.06
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	235.89



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US Bank	Supplies	360.31
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	9,763.28
Ace Hardware	Supplies	24.98
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	591.52
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,027.44
Croell Inc.	Gravel/Rock	9,523.01
Front Street Auto	Repairs	280.00
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	99.69
Inland Truck Parts	Repairs	699.78
IRS	County Share SS/Med	737.64
K&C Feeds	Salt	6.70
McPherson Co. Inheritance	Grader/Pickup/Trailer	3,453.03

Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel	3,084.63
NE Truck Center	Repairs	129.84
Powerplan	Grader Blades	2,313.08
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Troyer Enterprises	Supplies	137.32

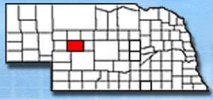
FAIR		
Ideal Linen	Supplies	32.12

SENIOR MEAL FUND		
Mavericks Café	Senior Meals	1,130.50

The Board reviewed bids for replacement of the furnace in the courthouse. Nason made a motion to accept a bid from Cloudfire Services to replace both of the current gas furnaces which have heat pumps. These will be replaced with new 95% gas furnaces and air-conditioners. The thermostats will be replaced with programmable Honeywell thermostats. Rundback seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None. Richard Cook presented an annual weed report to the commissioners. Rundback moved to appoint Richard Cook as McPherson County Weed Superintendent for 2020, at a wage of \$12.00 per hour. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Continued progress on road repairs, and plans for roads in 2020 were discussed with Edd Black.

The rotating schedule for road overseer in 2020 was set. The schedule will continue in the current order with the overseer changing each quarter.



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Rundback made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION#2020-1** setting prices-to-pay for road labor and machine hire in 2020, with the resolution raising the wages for road employees, with at least two years' experience, by 2.8 percent. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

PRICES SET TO PAY...WITH PRIOR BOARD APPROVAL

COUNTY EMPLOYEE

PERSON, SINGLE HANDED.....	\$16.70 PER HOUR
PERSON, SINGLE HANDED (TWO YEARS' COUNTY EMPLOYMENT)	\$18.15 PER HOUR
TRACTOR OR BLADE OPERATOR.....	\$16.70 PER HOUR
TRACTOR OR BLADE OPERATOR (TWO YEARS' COUNTY EMPLOYMENT) ...	\$18.15 PER HOUR
FARM TRACTOR AND IMPLEMENT WITH OPERATOR.....	\$60.00
FARM TRACTOR WITH OPERATOR (100 H.P. OR MORE FOR SNOW REMOVAL.....)	\$80.00

PRICES SET TO CHARGE.....WITH PRIOR BOARD APPROVAL---MINIMUM OF ONE HOUR

PATROL WITH OPERATOR.....	\$185.00 PER HOUR
WHEEL LOADER WITH OPERATOR.....	\$185.00 PER HOUR
JOHN DEERE TRACTOR WITH OPERATOR.....	\$100.00 PER HOUR
(WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT IF HIRED FOR ANY GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIZED PROJECT, THAT THE PRICE WOULD HAVE TO BE NEGOTIATED BEFORE STARTED.)	

The commissioners reviewed the current holiday policy for the road department and no holidays were added to the policy.

Bryant moved to appoint Kathy Hoberg as the DOT Drug and Alcohol Testing Clearinghouse administrator for the county. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Rundback and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Nason made a motion to give Tom Werblow the authority to let bids for one mile of armor coat on the Ringgold Road. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

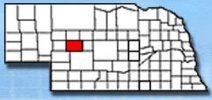
The commissioners set the date and time for the Annual One and Six Year road plan hearing at 10:00 AM on February 12, 2020. Tom Werblow will publish an official notice of the meeting.

Bryant made a motion to approve the January Road Plan as presented by Nason. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Rundback and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Nason moved to appoint Tom Werblow, Edd Black and John Bryant as the 2020 Safety Committee. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Nason also moved to name John Bryant as Chairman of the committee. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant moved to approve **RESOLUTION #2020-2** appointing Tom Werblow as the Highway



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Superintendent for 2020 at a salary of \$9000.00 per year. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Rundback. Voting Nay: None.

Nason moved to approve **RESOLUTION #2020-3** designating the following depositories for McPherson County in 2020. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Adams Bank and Trust, First National Bank, Nebraskaland National Bank, Western Nebraska Bank of North Platte, Community First Bank of Stapleton and the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Rundback moved to approve **RESOLUTION #2020-4** giving the McPherson County Treasurer the authority to invest funds for the year of 2020. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Rundback made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION#2020-5** appointing Whitney Lindstedt as the McPherson County Attorney with the hourly wage being set at \$11.00 per hour for 100 hours per pay period, plus expenses, with the same insurance benefits which are offered to all full time McPherson County Employees. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant moved to approve **RESOLUTION # 2020-6** appointing Bonnie Edwards of North Platte, Nebraska, to act in the capacity of McPherson County Surveyor for the year 2020. There will be no fees charged to McPherson County under the terms of this employment. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Rundback. Voting Nay: None.

Rundback moved to approve **RESOLUTION # 2020-7** authorizing the County Attorney and the County Sheriff to consult with Jon S. Schroeder on a per case basis to represent the County when the County Attorney is unavailable or unable to represent the County. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Nason made a motion to appoint Tom Burch as the McPherson County representative to the Keith County 911 Advisory Board and Edd Black as alternate. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant moved to appoint Mike Krull, Kelly Ward and Vernon Waits to the Planning Commission for a 3-year term expiring in 2023. Rundback Seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Rundback and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant made a motion to appoint Jeff Arensdorf and John Haller to the Board of Adjustments with Randy Fisher as alternate. These are 3-year terms to expire in 2023. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Rundback. Voting Nay: None.

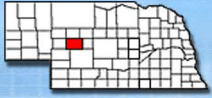
Rundback moved to appoint Arlis Blake, Dan Arensdorf and Arlan Paxton to the Fairboard for a 3- year term to expire in 2023. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Motion was made by Bryant to appoint Carl Rundback as board member to the Sandhills RC&D with Scott Hoberg appointed as County Member. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Rundback. Voting Nay: None.

Nason made a Motion to appoint Carl Rundback as the County Representative to the West Central District Health Department Board for 2020 with Lana Watson as the County Spirited Leader. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Rundback. Voting Nay: None.

Nason moved to appoint John Bryant as the McPherson County Representative to the Lexington Area Solid Waste Management Board for 2020, with Carl Rundback as alternate. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Rundback made a motion to appoint Brett Nason as the County Representative to the Area Aging Board, Region II Mental Health Board and West Central District Weed Management Board for 2020. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Rundback, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.



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Nason moved to appoint Carl Rundback as the County Representative to the West Central Development District for 2020, with John Bryant as Alternate. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Rundback. Voting Nay: None.

The following appointments were approved with one motion, made by Nason and seconded by Rundback. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

2020 County Physician: Dr. Margaret Boyer, 2020 Official Means of Publication: Stapleton Enterprise and McPherson County Website, www.mcpherson.ne.gov, Collateral Receipts were approved, County Burial Fees were set at \$1500.00, the monthly board meeting dates were set for the second Wednesday of each month at 9:00 AM.

Nason moved to appoint Leo Dailey as Miller Park Caretaker at a salary of \$1150.00 per year. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant Voting Nay: None

Nason made a motion to appoint Thomas Burch as the McPherson County Emergency Manager for 2020, with a salary of \$1050.00 per year. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Nason moved to appoint Kathy Hoberg as the McPherson County Zoning Administrator for 2020, with a salary of \$1800.00 per year. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

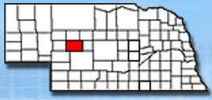
Nason moved to appoint Carl Rundback as the 2020 Chairman of the Board of Equalization, with John Bryant as Vice-Chairman. Rundback seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Rundback and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

The quarterly reports from the County Clerk and County Sheriff were examined and approved.

The Annual Report of County Officers, Signatures & Seals, was signed by the officials.

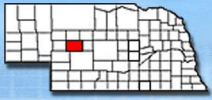
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM. The board will meet again on February 12, 2020, for their regular monthly meeting.

Attest: Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk



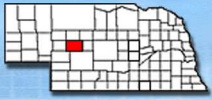
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