

McPherson County Board Minutes

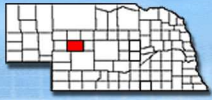


MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

JULY 14, 2021

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of June 9, 2021, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated July 8, 2021. The Agenda for the meeting was posted in the courthouse and on the county website. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted in the meeting room. Board Members Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf and John Bryant were present. Also present were, Weed Superintendent Rich Cook, Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, road worker Ed Black and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant made a motion to excuse Whitney Lindstedt, county attorney, due to a sick child. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting and Board of Equalization meeting as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Arensdorf made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	25,419.39
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,415.87
Jeffrey Arensdorf	Mileage	152.32
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	5,255.52
John E. Bryant	Mileage	140.00
Richard Cook	Mileage	115.92
Custer Public Power	Utilities	609.42
DAS ST Accounting	Data Processing/Computer	190.64
Jodi Dudley	Mileage	39.20
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	518.34
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgnt	61.99
Hampton by Hilton	Clerk Workshop	196.00
Holiday Inn Kearney	Board Workshop	229.90
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	110.04
Ideal Linen	Supplies	102.59
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,898.43
Lincoln County Treasurer	Veteran's Service Contract	225.00
Whitney Lindstedt	Mileage/Child Suppt Att	212.36
Loup Basin RC&D	Weed/Postage	30.34
McPherson County Court	Court Fees	51.00
Mid-States Org. Crime Info	Sheriff Dues	100.00
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	978.75



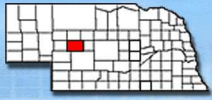
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Brett Nason	Mileage	198.24
NE Assn County Officials	Dues/Assessor Workshop	1,093.84
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	489.89
Region II Human Services	Annual Share	2,069.40
Region II Services	Annual Share	1,067.00
Rox on the Roof	Building Repairs	4,133.61
Sandhills Area Sheriff's Assn	Dues	100.00
Staples Credit	Supplies	40.20
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	203.02
TruGreen	Grounds Supplies	80.00
US Bank	Supplies	460.90
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.38
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	12,673.50
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	787.96
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,095.96
Carhart Lumber	Supplies	70.40
Croell Inc.	Gravel/Rock	16,646.42
Croell Paving	Asphaltic	1,770.75
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	102.69
Inland Truck Parts	Repairs	3,815.70
IRS	County Share SS/Med	967.16
Level LLC	Autogate Sills	1,100.00
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	4,406.30
Michael Todd & Co.	Road Sign	59.02
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	6,746.72
Powerplan	Grader Blades	557.31
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00

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Ideal Linen	Supplies	33.41
Sandhills Catering	Supplies	1,000.00
SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM		
Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,068.50

Weed Superintendent, Rich Cook, presented the commissioners with the current weed report and answered questions about weeds in the county.

County roads and equipment were discussed with Ed Black. The road department will be repairing Paxton Drive which had severe damage and was washed out during a recent rain storm.

The commissioners received an estimate of cost from Inland Truck for repairs on the 1998 Freightliner Dump Truck. The repairs include removing and replacing a tag axle and brackets, an air lift kit and relay valve. The estimate is \$9774.74. The commissioners approved the estimate and the truck will be repaired. Bryant made a motion to approve the July Road Plan as presented by Nason. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

There were several members of the public present for discussion about the condition of Soddy Road. They thanked the board and the road department for the patching which was recently done on the road. There was much discussion about future plans for repairing Soddy Road. Several options continue to be discussed and the highway superintendent will continue to inquire about costs of materials needed for repairs.

The commissioners signed an Agreement for Right-Of-Way Easement for Roads between McPherson County and Laura and Steve L. Barger Trust and Steve Barger Trust.

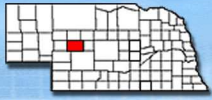
There was a Safety Meeting Held. Present were, Tom Werblow, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Kathy Hoberg and Ed Black. Tom Werblow handed out flyers and gave information about Culvert Installation Safety.

At 10:00 AM Bryant made a motion to recess the regular meeting and convene as Board of Equalization. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Chairman of BOE, Arensdorf, called the meeting to order and recognized the Open Meetings Poster on the wall. The minutes of the last meeting were included with the previous regular meeting minutes and were approved at 9:00 AM. There were no protests filed for this hearing.

The assessor presented the BOE with a report of Overvalued Property. Parcel #600001725 owned by C&N L.L.C. c/o Don McCasland, was put into the CREP Program in October, 2020. The change was reported to the assessor after the March 19, Abstract date. The land is no longer being irrigated and the value was lowered to dryland values.

There being no further business for the Board of Equalization, Nason moved to adjourn the meeting and reconvene as Board of Commissioners. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.



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Bryant made a motion to approve **Resolution #2021-15** Authorization/Reauthorization of Petty Cash Funds. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The board reviewed and signed the Quarterly Fee Reports from the Sheriff and Clerk.

The commissioners were given copies of the County Treasurer's Six-Month Report for January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

Chairman Brett Nason signed the 2021 Region II Human Services Interlocal Participation Agreement.

The board reviewed and signed the 2021-2022 propane contracts with Neal Oil & Auto Center.

The commissioners reviewed the preliminary budget sheets and a budget workshop was scheduled to take place with the next regular commissioner's meeting on August 11, 2021.

A new application for funds from the Hanich Trust was discussed. Tom Werblow will prepare a new application and send it to board members for review and approval.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 AM. The board will meet again at 9:00 AM on August 11, 2021, for their next regular monthly meeting. This meeting will be held in the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board chairman