

# McPherson County Board Minutes

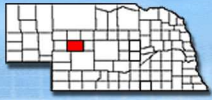


## MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

OCTOBER 13, 2021

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of September 15, 2021, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated October 7, 2021. 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. Members John Bryant, Brett Nason and Jeffrey Arensdorf were present. Also present were Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Road Worker Ed Black and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant moved to excuse the County Attorney, Whitney Lindstedt, who was absent but available by phone, if needed. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the September 15th Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request, the Budget Hearing and the Special Meeting to Adopt the Budget and Set the Final Tax Request, 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.

<b>GENERAL</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>
Payroll	Wages	25,698.86
Ace Hardware	Park Supplies	14.99
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,408.15
Jeffrey Arensdorf	Mileage	95.20
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	5,255.52
John E. Bryant	Mileage	87.92
Central Plains Valuation LLC	Appraisal Fees	12,000.00
Richard Cook	Mileage	56.56
Cornhusker State Ind.	Picnic Table	535.00
Custer Public Power	Utilities	746.68
DAS St. Accounting	Computer Expense	190.64
Eakes Office Supplies	Maintenance Agreement	3.50
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	516.99
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgnt	61.99
Ideal Linen	Supplies	102.59
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,919.81
Karen Licking	Supplies	2.97
Lincoln County Treasurer	Extension Contract	1,737.74
Whitney Lindstedt	Child Suppt Atty /Mileage	212.36
Loup Basin RC&D	Printing/Fuel	32.00
Mid-States Org. Crime Info.	Dues	25.00

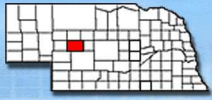


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MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,035.00
Shareen Munson	Contract wages	207.39
Musser Well Drilling	Well Maintenance	482.28
Brett Nason	Mileage	76.16
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	216.00
Rox the Roof Construction	Repairs	683.05
Staples Credit	Supplies	23.45
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	612.10
Thomas County Library	Bookmobile	2,119.00
TruGreen	Grounds Supplies	130.00
US Bank	Supplies	118.87
Verizon	County Court Phone	279.92
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.26
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00
West Central NE Area Aging	Dues	312.32

<b>ROAD</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>
Payroll	Wages	12,340.50
Ace Hardware	Supplies	12.99
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	765.48
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,095.96
Croell Inc.	Gravel/Rock	11,334.07
Croell Paving	Asphalt	2,925.18
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	101.93
IRS	County Share SS/Med	941.68
JM Parts and Equip	Repairs	500.43
Knapp Electric	Shop Tools	458.58
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	4,406.30
Michael Todd & Co.	Signs/Post	101.04
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	5,190.08
Nebraska Truck Center	Equipment	7.26
NMC Exchange	Equipment	697.88
Powerplan	Grader Blades	574.22
RS Hydraulic Solutions	Equipment	303.07



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TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Titan Machinery	Parts	174.00

## **FAIR**

Custer Public Power	Lights	747.45
Blaire Gibbens	Judge	490.08
Rosalea Gift	Judge	143.32
Pam Hamilton	Judge	240.36
Ideal Linen	Supplies	33.41
MJ Hart	Judge	180.28
Arlan Paxton Treasurer	Fair Expenses	701.25
Aksel Wiseman	Judge	252.64

## **SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM**

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,102.50
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County Roads were discussed with Ed Black. The road department has been fixing holes on gravel roads and patching pavement on paved roads.

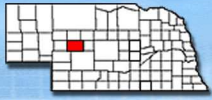
Jack Tucker was present and addressed the board. He thanked the road department for the patching they have done on Soddy Road. Mr. Tucker inquired about the possibility of working on the Bull Ranch Road. The surface water is currently too high to take equipment into the area. The roads in the area need to dry out before repairs can be completed. There were other options discussed.

Ed Black informed the commissioners that Adam Kramer, from Logan County, has some clay on his place that McPherson County can have if they haul it. The commissioners are interested and will have the road department haul the clay and disperse it where needed.

The commissioners reviewed a Request for Road Work, submitted for placement of an auto-gate at the intersection of Highway 97 and Moore Road. The project was discussed and added to the road plan.

The board examined a Project Bid which was presented to them by the Nebraska DOT for informational purposes. This project will continue the construction on Highway 97, North of Tryon.

The commissioners examined and signed an "Agreement for Right of Way Easement for Roads". The agreement is made between land owners, Ronald A Paxton QTIP Trust, Linda K Paxton Trustee, and McPherson County. The easement and right- of- way shall consist of a strip of land 66 feet in width, with 33 feet on either side of Hall Church Road at the East Right of Way line of Highway 97. Brett Nason, McPherson County Board Chairman, also signed an "Application to Construct Access" for the State of Nebraska. This easement and application for an access will allow the intersection of Hall Church Road and Highway 97 to be moved North of the current location. The purpose of this project is to correct a safety issue.



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Bryant moved to approve the October Road Plan as presented by Arensdorf. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

There was a Safety Meeting held. Tom Werblow gave flyers and information about Machine Safety and Emergency Equipment. Those present were, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeffrey Arensdorf, Kathy Hoberg and Ed Black.

The board signed the Quarterly Fee Reports presented by the County Sheriff and County Clerk.

The commissioners received a letter of approval of their "Robert F. Hanich Charitable Trust Grant Application". McPherson County had applied for grant money needed for the "Soddy Road Safety Improvements and Flood Protection Project". The County received a check for \$100,000.00. This is the first of five payments that will be made over the next five years.

At 10:40 AM, Brett Nason adjourned the regular commissioner's meeting to meet as the Board of Equalization.

At 10:41 AM, the Board of Equalization meeting was called to order by chairman Jeffrey Arensdorf, who noted the Open Meetings poster which is located in the court room.

The minutes of the previous meeting had been approved by motion of the board at 9:00 AM.

The purpose of the meeting was to examine the 2021 Subdivision Levies for McPherson County.

Bryant made a motion to adopt Resolution # 2021-23 Setting the following 2021 Levies for McPherson County. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

<b>MCPHERSON COUNTY</b>	
GENERAL FUND	0.163538
ROAD FUND	0.074386
FAIR FUND	0.000880
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.238804</b>

<b>MCPHERSON COUNTY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT</b>	
GENERAL FUND	0.005887
SINKING FUND	0.001792
<b>TOTAL FIRE</b>	<b>0.007679</b>
<b>TOTAL COUNTY &amp; FIRE</b>	<b>0.246483</b>
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<b>MID PLAINS COMMUNITY COLLEGE</b>	
GENERAL FUND	0.054560
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	0.020000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.074560</b>

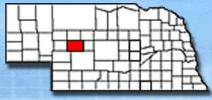
<b>UPPER LOUP NRD</b>	
GENERAL	0.009694
GROUND WATER	0.003835
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.013530</b>

<b>MCPHERSON COUNTY SCHOOL</b>	
GENERAL	0.665599
QUALIFIED CAPITAL PURPOSE	0.008726
SPECIAL BUILDING FUND	0.006488
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.680813</b>

<b>TWIN PLATTE NRD</b>	
GENERAL	0.011840
GROUND WATER	0.010000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.021840</b>

<b>ARTHUR COUNTY SCHOOLS</b>	
GENERAL	0.818202
BUILDING FUND	0.020200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.838402</b>

<b>STAPLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS</b>	
GENERAL	0.659000
BOND FUND	0.094529
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.753529</b>



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**EDUCATIONAL SERVICE**

**UNIT 16**

**GENERAL**

**0.014999**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM. They will meet again on Tuesday, November 10, 2021, at 9:00 AM for their next regular meeting. This meeting will be held in the courtroom of the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

Katherine E. Hoberg  
McPherson County Clerk

Brett W. Nason  
McPherson County Board Chairman