

McPherson County Board Minutes



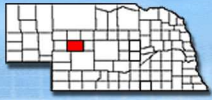
MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS

AUGUST 10, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of July 13, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting and Budget Workshop. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated August 4, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. Members Brett Nason, Jeffrey Arensdorf and John Bryant were present. Also present were the Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Road employee Ed Black and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant made a motion to excuse the County Attorney, Whitney Schroeder, who was absent due to illness. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The following claims were examined and approved as presented:

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	25974.27
Ace Hardware	Supplies	12.95
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,454.05
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense	691.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	6,147.38
Bridge of Hope	Annual Support	115.00
John Bryant	Mileage	115.63
Richard Cook	Mileage/Weed	165.00
Custer Public Power	Utilities	904.99
Consolidated Electrical		
Dist.	Tower Repair	450.00
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	106.32
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	531.10
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgnt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	50.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	113.94
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,929.61
Lincoln County Clerk	Probation Officer	737.58
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,027.36
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	329.88
Ringgold Auto Body	Door Refinish	441.00
Sandhills Area Sheriff's		
Assn	Dues	100.00
Sandhills Septic &		
Trenching	Park Maintenance	75.00
Whitney Schroeder	Mileage	97.50
NE Secretary of State	Election Supplies	5.00



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Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	48.37
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	465.55
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	300.18
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.91
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00

ROAD

		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	10,857.25
Ace Hardware	Supplies	39.96
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	665.36
Beveridge Inc.	Crushed Concrete	1,116.70
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	6,892.94
Fastenal Company	Supplies	40.74
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	106.55
Inland Truck Parts Co.	Repairs	493.26
IRS	County Share SS/Med	828.23

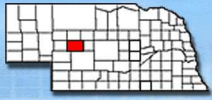
JM Parts and Equip. McPherson Co.	Shop Supplies	92.99
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Medical Enterprises Inc	Drug /Alcohol Test	75.00
Midlands Occupational Med.	Drug /Alcohol Test	55.00
Mullen Auto & Diesel	Repairs	865.43
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	5,305.69
Powerplan	Maintenance	99.27
T&S Repair LLC	Repairs	780.83
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Troyer Enterprises	Repairs	1,578.29
Weavers Tree Service	Tree Removal	1,500.00

FAIR

Hooker County Tribune	Fair Paper	50.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	37.11
Stapleton Enterprise	Fair Schedule	285.00

PRESERVATION & MOD

Government Forms &	Labels/Paper	343.59
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SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	2,947.05
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COVID ARPA

FYR-TEK	Power Load	23,600.00
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Roads were discussed with Ed Black. The road crew has been maintaining roads and repairing soft spots throughout the county. Ed also reports that the shoulder work on the Soddy Road Project has begun. The board reviewed a *Request for Roadwork* which was submitted by Colton and Kathleen Craig. The request is for an access road to a new home. John Bryant will contact the landowners concerning cost-sharing the cover material for the road. The matter was tabled until the September meeting. Bryant made a motion to approve the August Road Plan as submitted by Arensdorf. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

There was a Safety Committee Meeting held. Those present were Tom Werblow, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Kathy Hoberg and Ed Black. Tom Werblow gave flyers and information about *Flammable Liquids-Gasoline and Fueling Operations & Static Electricity*.

Arensdorf made a motion to approve and adopt **Resolution #2022-11** Authorizing and Directing the County Treasurer to transfer funds from the Highway Buyback fund to the General Road Fund. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant made a motion to approve and adopt **Resolution #2022-12** Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

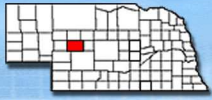
Arensdorf moved to approve and sign a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Nebraska Department of Veteran's Affairs and McPherson County. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The board reviewed a Contract for Property Appraisal between Central Plains Valuation and McPherson County which was presented by the Assessor. Central Plains Valuation will assist with data entry and depreciation tables to be used for property valuation beginning in 2023. The contract also includes inspection of new homes, buildings, and additions. Bryant moved to approve and sign the contract. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

County Office Inventories for 2022 were examined and signed.

The board reviewed a request for payment assistance for Elm Tree Removal submitted by Harold Arensdorf. The trees were located within the county road easement. Nason made a motion to approve payment of one-half of the bill for the removal of the Elm trees. Total amount to be paid by county \$750.00.

Propane Contract Bid Proposals for 2022-2023 were submitted by Neal Oil. The McPherson County Courthouse bid is for an Estimated 2000 Gallons with a Bid Price of \$1.92. The McPherson County Road Department bid is for an Estimated 2000 Gallons with a Bid Price of \$1.92. Arensdorf made a motion to approve and sign both bids. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.



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Brett Nason reported that he has contacted two companies regarding bids for the purchase of new generators for the Courthouse, Fire Hall, and Fair Building. The board previously voted to designate money from the ARPA Fund to the purchase of the three generators. Bryant made a motion to advertise for bids in the Stapleton Enterprise. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

At **10:30 AM**, a Budget Workshop was held. Caleb Johnson was present and presented the board with the preliminary budget information. The budget request for each fund was reviewed and discussed.

The meeting was recessed at 12:20 PM for a lunch break.

The meeting resumed at 1:20 PM.

Bryant made a motion to approve and adopt **Resolution # 2022-13** Tax Allocation to Miscellaneous Districts. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf made a motion to approve and adopt **Resolution #2022-14** Allowable Increase of Restricted Funds (1%). Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant moved to approve and adopt **Resolution #2022-15** Authorization/Reauthorization of Petty Cash Funds. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf moved to adopt and approve **Resolution #2022-16** Transfer of Funds from the STOP Fund 2356 to the Law Enforcement Fund 2960.

There being no further business, the budget workshop and the meeting were adjourned at 3:30 PM.

The board will meet again at 9:00 AM on September 14, for the 2022 Budget Hearing. The regular monthly meeting of the Commissioners will be held immediately following the hearing. These meetings will be held in the McPherson County Courthouse and are open to the public.

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk