

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

JULY 12, 2023

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of **June 12, 2023**, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the *Stapleton Enterprise*; issue dated July 6, 2023. The agenda for the meeting was posted in the courthouse and on the county website. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 AM by Chairman Arensdorf who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. Board Members Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf and John Bryant were present. Also present were Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, County Attorney Whitney Schroeder, County Clerk Kathy Hoberg, road worker Ed Black, and Sheriff Tom Burch.

Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting and Board of Equalization meeting with the following correction: *The minutes state that Nason moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting and seconded the motion. The minutes are corrected to state that **Bryant** seconded that motion.* Nason seconded the motion and correction. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

Nason made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	27,190.90
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,538.09
Applied Connective Tech	IT Consultant	1,553.20
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	7,676.16
Bridge of Hope	Annual Fee	125.00
Comfort Inn Kearney	Workshop	119.95
Custer Public Power	Utilities	787.48
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	70.48
Eakes Office Plus	Office Supplies	317.86
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	529.08
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Ideal Linen	Supplies	127.74
IRS	SS/Medicare	2,026.36
K&C Feeds	Weigh Fee	20.00
Loup Basin RC&D	Weed Postage	25.33
Menards	Supplies	104.99
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,085.78
NE Assn County Officials	Workshop/Dues	1,153.81
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	201.20
North Platte Hardware	Supplies	16.78
Region II Services	Annual Fee	830.00
Sandhill Septic & Trenching	Park Maintenance	120.00
Whitney Schroeder	Mileage/Child Suppt Enforce	222.50
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing/Publishing	1,085.51
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	248.86
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	82.50
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,728.00
 ROAD		 AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	11,865.00
Ace Hardware	Supplies	19.98
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	733.40
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,549.22
Croell Inc.	Gravel	30,702.01
Croell Inc. Paving	Asphalt	2,041.60
Dawson Tire & Wheel	Equipment Repairs	1,116.49

Fastenal Co.	Supplies	4.12
Front Street Auto Glass	Back Glass	100.00
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	105.41
Inland Truck Parts Co	Equipment Repairs	7.56
IRS	County Share SS/Med	905.31
JM Parts and Equip McPherson Co.	Equipment	205.66
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	2,076.35
NAPA Auto Parts	Supplies	60.40
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	12,084.32
Powerplan	Grader Maintenance	757.21
T and S Repair LLC	Equipment Repairs	5,848.21
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Titan Machinery	Equipment Maintenance	380.00
US Bank	Supplies	241.28
FAIR		
Ideal Linen	Supplies	38.61
SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM		
Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,646.20

The replacement of the Sandhills RC&D member was tabled until the August meeting.

Kylie Joyce, from Region II Services was present and gave a presentation to the board. Region II Services supports people with developmental disabilities. They currently serve 17 counties in Southwest Nebraska. They provide services to 161 individuals region wide as of 6/5/2023. Region II Services is certified by the State of Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Developmental Disabilities Division. The Region II governing board is comprised of one county commissioner from each of the 17 counties, formed under an Interlocal Agreement. Brett Nason is currently on the governing board from McPherson County. Region II Services is a political subdivision receiving state, federal, county, and local funds.

The commissioners discussed lighting upgrades needed in the county road shop. They also discussed fascia damage on the shop. Brett Nason will contact a contractor and electrician concerning these matters.

The board reviewed a Request for Road Work which was submitted by Don Moore. The needed work on the described roads was determined to be maintenance and was not added to the Road Plan.

The board revisited the Request for Road Work on Tupper Drive. The county has not received an Easement from the landowner where the road is located. The county attorney was asked to send another letter asking for a response from the landowner.

Ed Black reported that the road department has been repairing roads and fixing holes throughout the county. Two projects from the road plan were completed last month. Nason made a motion to approve the Road Plan presented by Bryant, as modified, removing the two projects mentioned above. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

There was a Safety Committee meeting held. Those present were, Tom Werblow, Whitney Schroeder, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Kathy Hoberg, Ed Black, and Tom Burch. Werblow presented flyers and information on *Important Tips on Sun Protection and Heat Illnesses and First Aid Measures*.

10: 00 AM – Arensdorf recessed the regular meeting to convene as Board of Equalization.

Chairman of BOE, Nason, called the meeting to order and recognized the Open Meetings Poster on the North wall of the court room. The minutes of the last meeting were included with the previous regular meeting minutes and were approved at 9:05 AM. There were no protests filed for this hearing.

The hearing was open for public comment for 15 minutes. There were no members of the public present to comment.

There being no further business for the Board of Equalization, Nason adjourned the meeting at 10:15 and the regular meeting resumed.

Motion made by Nason, seconded by Bryant to review, and sign the Second Quarter Fee reports from the County Sheriff and the County Clerk. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

The Board reviewed and signed the County Assessor's *Three-Year Plan of Assessment for 2024, 2025 and 2026*.

The commissioners were given several reports from the treasurer, including the Fund Balance Listing for 6/30/2023, the Fund Balance Six Month Accumulated Report, the Fund Balance 12 Month Accumulated Report, the County Treasurer's Balance Six Month report for January through June 2023 and the Tax Remaining Report.

The commissioners designated the State Print Shop for the 2023 postcard printing as described in NRS 77-1633 (3g).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

The board will meet again at 9:00 AM on August 9, 2023, 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

Jeffrey J. Arensdorf
McPherson County Board Chairman