

MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of **August 9, 2023**, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated September 7, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Arensdorf, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. Members Brett Nason, John Bryant and Jeff Arensdorf were present. Also present were the County Attorney Whitney Schroeder, Road Worker Ed Black, Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg.

Nason made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	28,083.89
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,638.56
Applied Connective Tech	IT Consultant	776.60
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	7,676.16
Comfort Inn Kearney	Assessor Workshop	464.80
Custer Public Power	Utilities	804.27
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	172.00
D12 Industries	Generator Inspection	600.00
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	529.16
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgnt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	97.60
Ideal Linen	Supplies	132.84
IRS	SS/Medicare	2,094.68
Chelsey McNutt	Park Maintenance Contract	287.50
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,152.78
NE Assn County Officials	Workshop/Convention	700.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	281.65
Sandhill Septic & Trenching	Park Maintenance	147.00
Whitney Schroeder	Mileage	102.18
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing/Publishing	306.49
Trugreen	Grounds Supplies	130.00
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	252.01
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	82.52
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,728.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	13,484.50
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	842.70
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,549.22
Croell Inc.	Gravel	34,240.71
Croell Inc.	Asphaltic	1,271.65
Dawson Tire & Wheel	Equipment Repairs	827.68
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	105.45
Inland Truck Parts Co	Equipment Repairs	987.06
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,029.20
JM Parts and Equip	Equipment	208.74
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	2,076.35
Michael Todd Ind. Supply	Signs	993.78
NAPA Auto Parts	Equipment Repairs	228.03
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	8,665.71
Nebraska Truck Center	Equipment Repairs	881.78
Powerplan	Equipment Maintenance	539.31
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00

FAIR

Dry Creek Western Wear	Fair Expenses	705.88
Tim Gibbens	Fair Judge	250.00
Cindy Gregg	Fair Supplies	55.45
James Griffin	Fair Judge	102.50
Ideal Linen	Supplies	38.61
Tayton Lucas	Fair Judge	253.13
Margaret Ann Neal	Fair Judge	97.50
Dennis Pace	Fair Judge	118.75
Robert Ryland	Fair Supplies	513.36
Sandhill Catering	Meat/Seasoning	48.00
Melissa Smith	Fair Judge	126.25
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing	285.00

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	4,230.00
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Jon Cannon, Executive Director of NACO (Nebraska Association of County Officials) was present and gave a NACO update to the Board. Highlights of his presentation include: the benefits of membership with the National NACO organization, the current progress, and details of the NACO West building which is being built in Ogallala, and an overview of Legislative Bills affecting County Government, which were passed in the recent Legislative session. Cannon also encouraged communication with our State Senator, Mike Jacobson.

John Tucker and Jack Tucker were present and addressed the board concerning the progress of The Soddy Road Project. The commissioners will begin the process of requesting bids for pulverizing asphalt on the flats, at the October Board meeting. The Hanich Trust grant money will be used for the cost of pulverizing and other materials to cover the road.

The commissioners discussed roads with Ed Black. The road department has been doing maintenance and repairs on roads throughout the county.

The Case IH Farmall 120A Tractor Warranty was discussed. Brett Nason will contact the dealership for details on the cost of extending the warranty. The matter will be on the October meeting agenda.

Nason made a motion to approve the September Road Plan as presented by Bryant.

Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

There was a Safety Committee Meeting held. Those present were Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Whitney Schroeder, Ed Black, and Kathy Hoberg. Tom Werblow gave flyers and information about *Knife Safety*.

The commissioners received and reviewed the Fund Balance Listing for August 31, 2023, which was provided by the Treasurer.

The commissioners received and reviewed the 2023 Permissive Exemption Report for McPherson County. The Board of Equalization will publish this report by September 30, 2023.

The commissioners discussed an updated policy for the Miller Park Camp site and hookups. The County Attorney was asked to compose a list of updated policies to be approved by the commissioners at the October Board meeting. These policies will be posted for the public at that time.

Bryant made a motion to approve and sign the Village of Stapleton Interlocal Agreement for Solid Waste Collection Service. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

Nason made a motion to approve and sign the Sandhills Weed Management Area Interlocal Cooperation Agreement. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM.

The next regular board meeting will be held on October 11, 2023, at 9:00 AM. This meeting will be held in the courtroom of the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

Jeffrey J. Arensdorf
McPherson County Board Chairman

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk