

MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S AND
BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 11, 2026

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of **January 14, 2026**, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated February 5, 2026, and at www.mcphersoncounty.ne.gov. Chairman John Bryant called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Board members John Bryant, Jeff Arensdorf and Brett Nason were present. Also present were Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, County Attorney Whitney Schroeder, County Sheriff Lawrence Stump, County Treasurer Kerri Kramer, County Clerk Kathy Hoberg, and road department employee Ed Black. Chairman Bryant noted the Open Meetings Law which is posted on the North wall of the courtroom. Arensdorf moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

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

| GENERAL | | AMOUNT |
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| Payroll | Salary and Wages | 28767.39 |
| Ameritas | Retirement | 1695.62 |
| Applied Connective | IT Consultant | 9851.56 |
| AT&T Mobility | Sheriff Phone | 172.84 |
| | Law Enforcement | |
| Axon Enterprises Inc | Equipment | 702.00 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield | Health Insurance | 8375.43 |
| John Bryant | Mileage | 134.13 |
| Central Plains Valuation | Appraisal Fees | 2790.25 |
| Colonial Life | Insurance | 18.00 |
| Custer Public Power | Lights/Electricity | 721.69 |
| Datashield | Shredding | 122.00 |
| Eakes Office Plus | Equipment/Supplies | 49.99 |
| First Concord Benefits | Deductible Buy-Down | 45.00 |
| Great Plains Comm | Telephone/Internet | 446.87 |
| Great Plains Comm | Emergency Mngmt | 57.96 |
| Ideal Linen | Janitorial Supplies | 138.16 |
| IRS | SS/Medicare | 2,128.00 |
| Lincoln County Sheriff | Paper Service | 18.00 |
| Loup Basin RC&D | Weed Dues | 200.00 |
| MIPS | Data Processing/Computer | 1,289.44 |
| NE Assn Co. Clerks | Dues | 50.00 |
| Neal Oil & Auto | Fuel/Supplies | 688.87 |
| Scott Salisbury | Park Maintenance | 600.00 |
| Sandhills RC&D | Dues | 100.00 |
| Whitney Schroeder | Mileage | 109.20 |
| Stapleton Enterprise | Printing/Publishing | 768.90 |
| US Bank | Supplies/Expenses | 899.92 |
| Village of Stapleton | Garbage Disposal | 3,000.00 |
| ROAD | | AMOUNT |
| Payroll | Salary and Wages | 11147.20 |
| Ameritas | Retirement | 684.94 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield | Health Insurance | 2781.58 |
| Colonial Life | Insurance | 4.00 |
| Croell Inc. | Gravel | 8,987.74 |
| Fastenal Co. | Supplies | 43.82 |

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| First Concord Benefits | Deductible Buy-Down | 30.00 |
| Floyds Truck Center | Equipment Repairs | 8.16 |
| Great Plains Comm | Phone/Internet | 107.87 |
| IRS | County Share SS/Med | 850.41 |
| JM Parts and Equipment | Supplies | 253.38 |
| McPherson Co. | | |
| Inheritance | Reimburse Funds | 2,791.40 |
| Michael Todd Industrial | Signs & Supplies | 936.35 |
| Neal Oil & Auto | Fuel/Supplies | 2,280.81 |
| NMC Exchange | Equipment Repairs | 2,565.33 |
| Powerplan | Equipment Repairs | 8,788.26 |
| TC Engineering | Highway Supt | 750.00 |
| Troyer Enterprises | Supplies | 741.49 |

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| Ideal Linen | Supplies | 44.17 |
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Jordan Gardner with Murphy Tractor was present and visited with the board. They discussed previously owned Motor Graders and agreed to look at the condition of the CAT Motor Grader owned by McPherson County.

Bryant made a motion to appoint Lawrence Stump to the Fair Board to complete a vacant term which will expire in 2027. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant made a motion to appoint Karen Haller to the Planning Board for a 3-year term to expire in 2029. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Robert Watson was present and discussed roads with the board. They discussed a possible contract for pulverizing the paved roads in the county.

Brett Nason presented the board with an ad for a Flatbed Trailer. Nason will contact the seller and, if necessary, there will be a Special Meeting held at 9:00 AM on February 18th to approve the purchase of the trailer. If the meeting is necessary, there will be a notice posted in three separate locations in Tryon five days prior to the meeting.

Arensdorf made a motion to approve the February Road Plan as presented by Nason. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

There was a Safety Meeting Held. Those present were, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Tom Werblow, Kathy Hoberg and Ed Black. Werblow gave flyers and information on *Hoisting Safely and Hoists & Chain Hoist Safety*.

At 10:00 AM the One- & Six-Year Road Plan Hearing was called to order. Notice of Meeting having been published in the February 5th edition of The Stapleton Enterprise. Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow gave a report including Forms 7, 8, 9, 11 and a map outlining the plan for McPherson County. There were four members of the public present for the hearing and asked questions concerning plans for Soddy Road. The meeting was continued to the March Commissioner's meeting at which time there will be a Resolution approved and signed by the board.

Sheriff Stump presented the board with an estimate for security cameras from Al's Lock & Safe in North Platte. The estimate includes cameras and monitors for the courthouse and fair building. The fair building camera will also monitor the Tryon dumpsters. The estimate includes installation. Nason made a motion to approve the estimate for \$4,149.88 to be paid from the remaining Childers Grant Fund and the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf moved to approve an estimate from Al's Lock & Safe in North Platte, for cameras and a monitoring system at the Ringgold dumpsters. The bid is for \$1,336.00, including installation, to be paid for from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund. Nason seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Nason made a motion to approve the purchase of a Roll-Off dumpster with a lid on the purchase price of \$9500.00, to be paid from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

The county has purchased signs informing the public of prohibited items, which will be placed by the dumpsters in Tryon and Ringgold. There will be a sign listing accepted items for the roll-off dumpster which is located by the Fair Building in Tryon.

The officials were informed that the NACO Spring West Central District meeting will be held in Ogallala on March 26, 2026.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM. The board will meet again for their next regular monthly meeting on March 11, 2026.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

John E. Bryant
McPherson County Board Chairman