

MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 11, 2026

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of February 11, 2026, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise issue dated March 5, 2026. The Meeting Agenda having been posted in the courthouse and on the county website at www.mcphersoncounty.ne.gov. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Bryant who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the court room. Members John Bryant, Jeff Arensdorf and Brett Nason were present. Also present were Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, County Attorney Whitney Schroeder, County Treasurer Kerri Kramer, County Clerk Kathy Hoberg and road employee Ed Black. Arensdorf moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None. Nason abstained as he was absent from the last meeting. The commissioners reviewed the Fund Balance Reports from the Treasurer. Nason made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Salary and Wages	28500.84
Ameritas	Retirement	1677.62
Applied Connective	IT Consultant	2579.20
AT&T Mobility	Sheriff Phone	172.84
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	8375.43
Central Plains Valuation	Appraisal Fees	5310.00
Colonial Life	Insurance	18.00
Condon Signs	Sheriff Sign	255.00
Richard Cook	Wages/Mileage/Dues	523.31
Custer Public Power	Lights/Electricity	666.89
DAS Accounting	Computer Expense	194.00
D12 Industries	Generator Maintenance	1575.00
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	2,107.61
Chelsey McNutt	Park Contract	355.00
McPherson County Court	Court Fees	17.00
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,311.43
NACO	Workshop	75.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	743.51
Whitney Schroeder	Mileage	113.10
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing	345.09
Stryker Sales LLC	Law Enforcement	174.00
US Bank	Supplies/Expenses	548.03
Vigilnet	Law Enforcement	163.43
Village of Stapleton	Garbage Disposal	3,000.00
Westfield Pharmacy	Law Enforcement	282.44
West Central Assr Assn	Dues	25.00
ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Salary and Wages	11283.10
Ameritas	Retirement	694.11
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	2781.58

Bomgaars	Supplies	38.97
Carhart Lumber	Sign Posts	81.00
Colonial Life	Insurance	4.00
Croell Inc.	Gravel	4,592.28
First Concord Benefits	Deductible Buy-Down	30.00
Galaway Field Repair	Equipment Repairs	1,805.00
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	107.87
Inland Truck Parts	Equipment Repairs	11,487.92
IRS	County Share SS/Med	860.81
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimburse Funds	3,444.97
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	3,680.58
Powerplan	Equipment Repairs	19.82
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing	12.61
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00

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Ideal Linen	Supplies	44.17
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Jordan Gardner from Murphy Tractor was present and gave the board a proposal for trade-in value for the Cat Grader. The matter will be added to the April meeting agenda. Nason made a motion to adopt and approve **RESOLUTION # 2026-9** One and Six Road Improvement Plan. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Nason moved to appoint Berva Arensdorf to the Board of Adjustments, replacing Jeff Arensdorf. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Ed Black was present and reported that the road department has been hauling rock, fixing soft spots, patching holes and repairing auto-gates. The used flat bed trailer which was recently replaced was declared surplus property, to be sold at online auction.

Tom Werblow discussed the process and timing of the HUB Grant which the county has recently applied for with Nebraska Department of Transportation. The chairman also signed an application for Hanich Trust money.

There was discussion about a contract labor agreement with Luke Franzen for asphalt patching on Soddy Road. Further discussion of the details will be added to the April meeting agenda.

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

There was a Safety Committee Meeting held. Those present were Tom Werblow, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Jeff Arensdorf, Ed Black, Kasey Dailey and Kathy Hoberg. Werblow gave information and flyers about *Safe Motor Grader Operations*.

Caleb Johnson was present and addressed the board about Legislative Bills which could affect the next budget. Johnson will begin sending preliminary budget worksheets on May 15th.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM. The Board will meet again at 9:00 AM on April 8, 2026, for their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

John E. Bryant
McPherson County Board Chairman