

**MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND
BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS**

OCTOBER 14, 2026

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of **September 16, 2026**, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated October 8, 2026. 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 meeting room. Members John Bryant and Brett Nason were present. Also present were Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Road Department employee Ed Black, Treasurer Kerri Kramer, County Attorney Whitney Schroeder, Sheriff Lawrence Stump and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant made a motion to excuse Jeff Arensdorf who was absent due to illness. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Nason moved to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2026, Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request, the Budget Hearing and Special Commissioner’s Meeting as presented, Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None. The commissioners reviewed the Fund Balance Reports provided by the Treasurer. Nason made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant, Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Salary and Wages	29,937.74
Ameritas	Retirement	1774.61
Applied Connective	IT Consultant	1069.57
AT&T Mobility	Sheriff Phone	176.22
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	8767.44
Bridge of Hope	Support	500.00
Colonial Life	Insurance	18.00
Crowne Plaz;a Kearney	Sheriff Convention	929.70
Custer County Chief	Office Supplies	222.82
Custer Public Power	Lights/Electricity	649.38
DAS St Accounting	Computer Services	194.00
Dept of Correctional Svcs	Prisoner Safekeeping	2390.75
Eakes Office Plus	Office Supplies	465.29
ES&S	Election Supplies	3734.40
First Concord Benefits	Deductible Buy-Down	177.14
First National Bank Omaha	Safe Deposit Box	75.00
Great Plains Comm	Telephone/Internet	446.54
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mngmt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	95.00
Ideal Linen	Janitorial Supplies	305.98
IRS	SS/Medicare	2,203.38
Kerri Kramer	Mileage	113.54
Larry's Glass	Door Repair	173.94
Lincoln County Treasurer	Extension	8,881.60
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,416.74
Brett Nason	Mileage	92.72
NACO	LB644 Pink Postcards	996.96
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	605.36
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing/Publishing	1,519.43
The Radar and Lidar Shop	Certification	64.00
Thomas County Library	Bookmobile	2,683.93
Trugreen	Grounds Maintenance	133.00
US Bank	Supplies/Expenses	300.57
Verizon	County Court Phone	40.11
Village of Stapleton	Garbage Disposal	3,250.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Salary and Wages	14590.00
Ace Hardware	Shop Supplies	9.99
Ameritas	Retirement	917.34
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	2911.76
Colonial Life	Insurance	4.00
Croell Inc.	Gravel	15,019.32
First Concord Benefits	Deductible Buy-Down	30.00
Floyds Truck Center	Equipment Repairs	83.00
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	107.67
Inland Truck Parts	Equipment Repairs	5,059.22
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,106.80
Kohler Sales & Service	Flatbed	6,845.00
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimburse Funds	5,361.64
Menards	Supplies	90.43
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	14,184.46
Powerplan	Equipment Repairs	974.54
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Titan Machinery	Equipment Repairs	960.37
FAIR		
Ideal Linen	Supplies	91.42
Arlan Paxton	Treasurer	287.50

The commissioners had a discussion with the Sheriff about a new Law Enforcement Vehicle. Nason made a motion to allow the Sheriff to open the bidding process. Letters will be sent out by the Sheriff requesting informal bids to be sent to the Clerk’s office. Bids will be reviewed at the November 10th commissioner’s meeting. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

The board reviewed and signed the 3rd Quarter Fee Report from the Sheriff.

The Sheriff requested a letter to be sent by the Board and County Attorney to the owners of abandoned property on 6th Street. The property needs waste items and dead trees removed.

Nason made a motion to approve and adopt **RESOLUTION #2026-18** Setting 2026-2027 Subdivision Levies in McPherson County. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant Voting Nay: None.

MCPHERSON COUNTY		MCPHERSON COUNTY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT	
GENERAL FUND	0.165950	GENERAL FUND	0.004415
ROAD FUND	0.082998	SINKING FUND	0.001344
FAIR FUND	0.000373	TOTAL	0.005759
FAIR BUILDING	0.000248		
TOTAL	0.249569	TOTAL COUNTY & FIRE	0.255328

MCPHERSON COUNTY SCHOOL	
GENERAL	0.662802
QUALIFIED CAPITAL PURPOSE	0.019387
SPECIAL BUILDING FUND	0.017759
TOTAL	0.699948

County Roads were discussed with Ed Black. The department continues to haul rock, patch asphalt, repair, and maintain roads.

Ed requested an additional camera to be placed at the Fair Building dumpster site. The current camera does not cover the complete area.

Bryant made a motion to approve the request. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Nason made a motion to approve and sign an agreement between McPherson County and Level LLC for pulverizing and laying down asphalt and rock on Cemetery Road. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

An Easement and repairs needed on Tupper Drive were discussed with the County Attorney. Kenny Rundback and Ryan Schultis were present to listen and address the board concerning the road. There will be correspondence sent from the County Attorney and the matter will be re-visited at the next board meeting.

Bryant made a motion to accept the October Road Plan as presented by Nason. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

A Safety Committee Meeting was held. Those present were Brett Nason, John Bryant, Ed Black, Whitney Schroeder and Kathy Hoberg. Tom Werblow gave flyers and a presentation about *Driving on Gravel Roads*.

The board received and reviewed the Delinquent Tax Listing from the Treasurer.

The board reviewed and signed the 3rd Quarter Fee Report from the Clerk.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 AM. The Board will meet again on November 10, 2026, at 1:00 PM. This meeting will be held in the courtroom of the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

The Courthouse will be closed on November 11, 2026, due to the Veteran’s Day Holiday.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

John E. Bryant
McPherson County Board Chairman