



McPherson County Board Minutes



MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS JANUARY 12, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of December 14, 2021 for the annual statutory meeting and regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated January 6, 2022. Chairman Nason called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. Board members, Jeffrey Arensdorf, Brett Nason and John Bryant were present. Also present were the Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Weed Superintendent Rich Cook, County Attorney Whitney Lindstedt, County Sheriff Tom Burch and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Road worker Ed Black and member of the public Harold Arensdorf were also present. The Chairman noted the public meetings law which is posted in the meeting room. Arensdorf moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting with the following correction: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nason. The minutes erroneously listed Bryant as chairman. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved leave the Chairman and Vice Chairman the same as 2021. Brett Nason will continue as Board Chairman for 2022 and Jeff Arensdorf will continue as Vice Chairman for 2022. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Bryant made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL

AMOUNT

Payroll	Wages	25,985.15
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,396.06
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	5,255.52
John Bryant	Mileage	140.00
Central NE Mortuary	Autopsy Costs	514.50
Custer Public Power	Utilities	669.13
Judy Dailey	Prior Service	48.00
DAS ST Accounting	Computer Expense	106.42
Eakes Office Plus	Copy Maintenance	46.98
Electrical Engineering	Tower repair	631.80
Fastenal	Janitorial Supplies	54.03
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	527.13
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Holiday Inn Express	Convention	344.85
Ideal Linen	Supplies	205.18
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,941.71
Lincoln Co Treasurer	Extension	1,737.74
Whitney Lindstedt	Mileage/Child Suppt	212.36
Menards	Supplies	119.99
Mid States Org Crime Info	Sheriff Dues	100.00
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,070.15
Brett Nason	Mileage	198.24
NE Assn Clerks, Deed,	Dues	75.00



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Elec

NE Assn County Assessors	Dues	60.00
NE Clerk District Court	Dues	50.00
NE Weed Control Assn	Dues	125.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	1,064.95
Donald Nicholson	Prior Service	132.00
Physician Lab Services	Autopsy Costs	65.00
Platte Valley Communication	Radio Repair	191.90
Rox the roof	Building Repair	295.00
Staples Credit	Supplies	330.27
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	286.08
Thomas County Library	Bookmobile	4,238.00
US Bank	Postage	94.27
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.05
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal/Equip Rental	2,480.00

ROAD

		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	13,182.25
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	784.84
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,095.96
Croell Inc.	Gravel/Rock	9,953.42
Fastenal	Shop Supplies	292.95
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	104.31
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,006.09
JM Parts	Machine Repair	758.60
Inland Truck Parts	Machine Repair	8.53
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Medical Enterprises	Drug Screen	35.00
Midlands Occupational Med	Drug Screen	20.00
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	4,762.09
NE Truck Center	Machine Repair	651.20
RS Hydraulic Solutions	Machine Repair	336.00
T&S Repair LLC	Machine Repair	1,029.82
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Titan Machinery	Machine Repair	480.80
Troyer Enterprises	Shop Supplies	765.35
FAIR		
Ideal Linen	Supplies	104.28
SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM		



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Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	2,771.00
INHERITANCE FUND		
Titan Machinery	Tractor and Loader	55,900.00

Rich Cook, McPherson County Weed Superintendent presented an Annual Noxious Weed Report to the commissioners. Each commissioner was given a copy of the report and it was signed by the board chairman.

Nason made a motion to appoint Rich Cook as McPherson County Weed Superintendent for 2022, increasing the wage to \$13.00 per hour. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

Discussion was made on the county roads with Ed Black. The road department has been working on equipment maintenance in the shop. They are purchasing steel and will be building auto-gates. Ed reports that the International truck is in need of a new transmission. The county will receive a cost estimate from Inland Parts.

The 2022 schedule for Road Overseer was set as follows:

Jan-Feb-March – Bryant **April- May- June** – Nason **July-Aug-Sept** – Arensdorf **Oct- Nov- Dec** – Bryant. Bryant made a motion to adopt and approve **RESOLUTION #2022-1**, McPherson County Road and Labor Prices for the year 2022, increasing the wages by \$1.00 per hour for employees with 2 years or more experience, leaving all other prices to pay and charge, the same as 2021. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

RESOLUTION #2022-1

MCPHERSON COUNTY ROAD AND LABOR PRICES FOR THE YEAR 2022

PRICES SET TO PAY...WITH BOARD APPROVAL

COUNTY EMPLOYEE

PERSON, SINGLE HANDED\$18.00 PER HOUR

TRACTOR OR BLADE OPERATOR\$18.00 PER HOUR

PERSON, SINGLE HANDED

(TWO YEARS' COUNTY EMPLOYMENT)\$19.50 PER HOUR

TRACTOR OR BLADE OPERATOR

(TWO YEARS' COUNTY EMPLOYMENT)\$19.50 PER HOUR

FARM TRACTOR AND IMPLEMENT

OPERATOR\$60.00

PRICES SET TO CHARGE...WITH PRIOR BOARD APPROVAL...MINIMUM OF ONE HOUR

PATROL WITH OPERATOR\$185.00 PER HOUR

WHEEL LOADER WITH OPERATOR\$185.00 PER HOUR

JOHN DEERE TRACTOR WITH OPERATOR\$100.00 PER HOUR

(WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT IF HIRED FOR ANY GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIZED PROJECT, THE PRICE WOULD HAVE TO BE NEGOTIATED BEFORE STARTED.)

The One-and- Six Year Road Plan Hearing was set for 10:00 AM on Wednesday, February 9, 2022. Arensdorf moved to approve the January Road Plan as presented by Bryant. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

There was a safety committee meeting held. Those present were John Bryant, Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, Tom Werblow, Whitney Lindstedt, Ed Black, Rich Cook and Kathy Hoberg.

Werblow gave flyers and information about Machine Safety and Power Line Contact.



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Bryant moved to appoint Tom Werblow, Ed Black and Brett Nason to the Safety Committee for 2022, with Brett Nason the Chairman. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

Motion made by Arensdorf and seconded by Bryant to adopt and approve **Resolution #2022-2** appointing Tom Werblow as McPherson County Highway Superintendent, with a total salary of \$9000.00, for the year 2022. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Motion made by Arensdorf seconded by Bryant to adopt and approve **Resolution #2022-3** Setting the salaries for elected County Attorney and elected County Surveyor for the next term of office, starting in January 2023. The annual salary for the office of County Attorney is established at \$6,000.00 per year for the years 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026. The salary for County Surveyor is established at \$400.00 per year for the years 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026.

Bryant moved to approve and adopt **Resolution #2022-4** designating the following depositories for McPherson County in 2022. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Adams Bank & Trust, First National Bank, Nebraskaland National Bank, Western Nebraska Bank of North Platte, Nebraska, Community First Bank of Stapleton, Nebraska, and the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Motion made by Bryant, seconded by Arensdorf to adopt and approve **Resolution #2022-5** giving the McPherson County Treasurer the authority to invest funds for the year 2022. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant moved to adopt and approve **Resolution #2022-6** appointing Whitney Schroeder Lindstedt as the McPherson County Attorney for the year 2022. The hourly wage being set at \$11.00 per hour for 100 hours per pay period, plus expenses, with the same insurance benefits which are offered to all full-time McPherson County Employees. Seconded by Arensdorf. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Motion made by Arensdorf seconded by Bryant to adopt and approve **Resolution #2022-7** appointing Bonnie Edwards of North Platte, Nebraska, to act in the capacity of McPherson County Surveyor for the year 2022. No Fees will be charged to McPherson County. Clients will be charged regular rates for the survey work. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Nason moved to appoint John Bryant and Alternate Brett Nason to the **911 Advisory Board**. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf moved to appoint, upon their approval, Jerry Moritz, Will Coffman and Kent Fisher to the **Planning Commission** and Mike Krull, Dean Seifer, and Billie Burch (alternate) to the **Board of Adjustment** for a three-year term to begin January 2022. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Members of the Fair Board will be contacted and appointments will be made in February.

Arensdorf moved to appoint Kathleen Craig to the **Extension Board** for a three-year term to begin January 2022. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

The following appointments were made with one motion made by Arensdorf and seconded by Nason. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Sandhills RC&D- Board Member – Jeffrey Arensdorf - County Member for 2022 – Shareen Munson.

West Central District Health Department Board- Representative- Jeffrey Arensdorf- Alternate for 2022- Lana Watson.

Lexington Area Solid Waste Management Board – Representative – John Bryant – Alternate for 2022-Jeffrey Arensdorf.

West Central Area Aging Board, Region II Mental Health Board, West Central Weed Management Area Board – Representative for 2022- Brett Nason.

West Central Development District Board – Representative-Jeffrey Arensdorf – Alternate for 2022-John Bryant.



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Nason moved to adopt, in one motion, the following appointments. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

McPherson County Physician- Dr. Margaret Boyer of Mullen (pending approval)

Official Means of Publication- Stapleton Enterprise and www.mcpherson.ne.gov.

Collateral Receipts - yes

Burial Fees -\$1500.00.

Meeting Dates and Times for 2022- The second Wednesday of each month at 9:00 AM.

McPherson County Emergency Manager- Tom Burch- Salary set at \$1500.00 per year.

McPherson County Zoning Administrator – Kathy Hoberg- Salary set at \$1800.00 per year.

McPherson County Board of Equalization Chairman for 2022 – Jeffrey Arensdorf.

McPherson County Board of Equalization Vice Chairman for 2022- Brett Nason.

Nason made a motion to approve an increase of \$1.00 per hour for the Courthouse Custodian, raising the wage to \$12.00 per hour for 100 hours per pay period. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

The position of Miller Park Caretaker will be advertised and applications for the position will be taken at a later date.

The commissioners reviewed and signed the Quarterly Fee Reports from the County Sheriff and the County Clerk. The Annual Secretary of State Report of County Officers was signed by each official.

The commissioners reviewed and approved the 2022 Nirma Insurance Schedule for McPherson County.

Motion was made by Nason and seconded by Arensdorf. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Replacement of the courthouse generator, which is not working, was discussed. The current generator powers the courthouse, the fire hall which is the Emergency Operations Center and the fair building which is the Emergency Community Shelter. The commissioners are reviewing several options which include repairing the current generator, or replacing it with two generators or a separate generator for each building. The matter will be discussed at the February meeting.

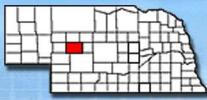
McPherson county had applied for a grant to fund a Scrap Tire Clean -up Program. We were informed by the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy that the application would not be funded for the following reason: Due to limited funds, scrap tire applications with duplicate area coverage were not funded this grant year. Another scrap tire clean-up event will be held in Stapleton in 2022 and this event will include McPherson County. We do not have a date for the program in Stapleton at this time.

The commissioners discussed potential items which could be purchased with the American Rescue Plan Act money. A Final Rule has been released by the Department of Treasury which will take effect in April, 2022. This ruling helps clarify qualified uses for local governments and will help the board decide on the best use of the money for McPherson County.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM. The board will meet again for their next regular monthly meeting on February 9, 2022.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

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FEBRUARY 9, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of January 12, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated February 3, 2022. Chairman Nason 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 Lindstedt, County Clerk Kathy Hoberg and road department employee Ed Black. Chairman Nason noted the Open Meetings Law which is posted in the courtroom. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	25,023.05
Adams &		
Swanson Funeral	Autopsy Costs	245.00
Ameritas	County Share	
Blue Cross Blue	Retirement	1,346.99
Shield		
Custer Public	Insurance	5,255.52
Power		
DAS ST	Utilities	598.06
Accounting	Computer Expense	84.32
Eakes Office Plus	Copy Maintenance	79.97
Great Plains		
Comm	Phone/Internet	527.13
Great Plains		
Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	46.80
Ideal Linen	Supplies	106.70
IRS	County Share	
	SS/Med	1,868.12
Whitney Lindstedt	Mileage	87.36
Menards	Supplies	8.93
	Data	
MIPS	Processing/Computer	1,011.55
Brett Nason	Mileage	207.09
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	833.95
Staples Credit	Supplies	202.48
Stapleton		
Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	681.19
Thomas County	Bookmobile	3,067.00



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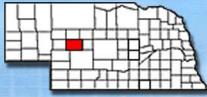
Library

US Bank	Postage	219.28
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.00
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal/Equip Rental	2,480.00

ROAD

		AMOUNT
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Payroll	Wages	9,580.00
Ace Hardware	Supplies	39.27
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	579.15
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,095.96
Bomgaars	Equipment	48.46
Fastenal	Shop Supplies	317.90
Frey's General Store	Equipment	30.40
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	104.31
Husker Steel	Culverts	2,553.60
IRS	County Share SS/Med	730.50
JM Parts	Machine Repair	211.38
Kully Pipe & Steel Supply	Auto Gate Steel	10,320.40
McPherson Co. Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Medical Enterprises	Drug Screen	35.00
Menards	Supplies	42.10
Midlands		
Occupational Med	Drug Screen	20.00
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	6,348.38
NMC Exchange	Machine Repair	2,639.01
North Platte Hardware	Safety Supplies	5.98
Powerplan Stapleton	Maintenance	608.27
Enterprise	Publishing	14.36
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Troyer Enterprises	Shop Supplies	580.92
US Bank	Shop Supplies	76.69



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FAIR

Ideal Linen Supplies 34.74

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café Senior Meals 2,873.00

The commissioners discussed the current Interlocal Agreement between Lincoln County and the McPherson County Veteran's Service Committee. Arensdorf made a motion to issue a 30-day notice of cancellation to Lincoln County, which will be delivered by registered mail. The McPherson County Veteran's Service Committee and McPherson County Commissioners plan to appoint Rich Cook as the local Veteran's Service Officer following cancellation of the Interlocal Agreement with Lincoln County. The motion was seconded by Bryant. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

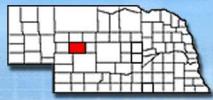
Harold Arensdorf was present and addressed the commissioners concerning a tree which is beside his residence but is also located on county property. The tree is causing problems on his property and he requests that it be removed. John Bryant will contact Weaver Tree Service and discuss the details of the removal. Due to the fact that the tree is partially or completely on county property, the county will cost-share the removal of the tree with Mr. Arensdorf.

The commissioners discussed roads with Ed Black. Ed reports that the road department has been building auto-gates and they are all complete. The road department needs to replace several delineator reflectors and needs safety flags for wash-outs and road hazards. Tom Werblow will locate these items on-line and forward the information to the clerk for ordering.

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

At 9:45, a Safety Committee Meeting was held. Those present were, Tom Werblow, Whitney Lindstedt, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Ed Black and Kathy Hoberg. Werblow gave flyers and a presentation on Battery Charging Hazards and the Dangers of Acids, Bases and Alkali.

At 10:00 AM, the annual One & Six- Year Road Plan Hearing was held in the courtroom. Notice of Hearing having been published in the February 3rd edition of the Stapleton Enterprise. Those present were Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Jeff Arensdorf, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Whitney Lindstedt, Ed Black and Kathy Hoberg. Everyone was given a copy of the plan. Tom Werblow addressed those in attendance with explanation of the plan. There were no members of the public present for comment. Bryant made a motion to approve and adopt the 2022 One & Six- Year Road Plan as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. The hearing was closed at 10:30 AM.



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The board discussed appointments to the Fair Board. Jeff Arendorf will contact the current members (terms expiring in 2022) and confirm whether they want to remain on the board or if they need to be replaced. Brett Nason will contact replacements if necessary.

The commissioners reviewed and approved a quote for replacement lids for the dumpsters in McPherson County. The lids will be ordered from EJS Supply Company of Iowa. The cost of the lids with shipping is \$1239.00, which is below the limit for the bidding process and is considered maintenance costs.

The board discussed items they are considering for purchase with money received from the American Rescue Plan Act. The commissioners reviewed a price quote from Platte Valley Communications for Fire/EMS Radio Equipment and a quote from FYR-TEK Sales and Service of Fire and Rescue Equipment, for an Ambulance Power Load. Arendorf made a motion to accept the price quotes and designate approximately \$67,300.00 of the ARPA money for purchase of the radio equipment and ambulance loader. The purchase of the items to take place after April 1, 2022, when the Final Rule for the American Rescue Plan Act takes effect. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arendorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Resolutions for the purchases will be drawn for review and adoption at the March commissioner's meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM. The board will meet again for their next regular monthly meeting on March 9, 2022.

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Brett W. Nason, McPherson County Board Chairman

Katherine E. Hoberg, McPherson County Clerk



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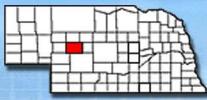


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MARCH 9, 2022

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NE Assn County Officials	Workshop	140.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	482.00



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W Central Dist Assr Assn	Dues	25.00

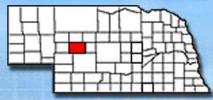
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JM Parts	Machine Repair	40.82
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97

Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	1,837.98
Powerplan	Maintenance	539.68
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Tractor Supply	Shop Supplies	119.99
Troyer Enterprises	Shop Supplies	85.62
US Bank	Shop Supplies	156.75

FAIR		
Ideal Linen	Supplies	34.74
Arlan Paxton	Fair Expenses	23.20

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM		
Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	2,703.00

Everett Kemp was present and addressed the board requesting the closure of two streets bordering property which he recently purchased. The streets are Platt Street, East of Block 30, Tryon and Fourth Street, North of Block 30, Tryon. Both streets are 100 ft. wide and are currently not in use. Kemp stated the purpose of this request is for Economic Development. Bryant made a motion to begin the required process for closing streets. This includes sending letters to adjoining landowners and one or more public meetings. Nason seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Commissioner Jeff Arensdorf arrived at 9:15 AM.



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The board reviewed a Request for Roadwork which was submitted for Tupper Drive. The Highway Superintendent will create Easements for the landowners to sign prior to the project being added to the Road Plan.

Arensdorf moved to approve the March Road Plan as presented by Bryant. Nason seconded.

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

The commissioners reviewed an Agreement for Land Surveying with Nebraska Department of Transportation. The agreement is connected to an improvement project planned by the State on Hwy 97, North of Tryon. Bryant moved to have Board Chairman Nason sign the agreement. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-29 approving the agreement. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Tom Werblow conducted a Safety Committee meeting. Those present were Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Ed Black and Kathy Hoberg. Werblow gave flyers and a presentation on "Seven Common Accident Causes".

Caleb Johnson was scheduled to attend the meeting but was unable to attend due to inclement weather. Johnson will attend the Commissioner's Meeting in April to discuss the Budget process for 2022.

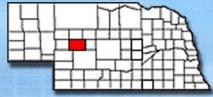
Arensdorf made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-27 allowing the purchase of an ambulance lift, using money received from Coronavirus State and Local fiscal Recovery Funds, as part of the American Rescue Plan. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-28 allowing the purchase of Replacement Radio Equipment, using money received from Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, as part of the American Rescue Plan. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

McPherson County Assessor Kathy Hoberg addressed the board concerning 2022 Valuations. There will be an increase in value for Grassland for the 2022 tax year. Irrigated and Dryland will see no change. Values are set by a statistical sales study from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2021. McPherson County conducted a mass inspection on all residential, commercial and ag buildings in 2021. The results of the inspection and adjustments are currently being input into the CAMA system. A new depreciation schedule will be put into the system this summer. There will be no value changes to residential or commercial property for the 2022 tax year. Value changes to residential and commercial property, resulting from the inspection and new depreciation schedule, will take effect in 2023.

The commissioners were given a copy of the NIRMA (insurance) Annual Report and a letter of introduction from KC Pawling, NIRMA's Road Safety and Loss Prevention Specialist, for their review.

The board was informed that NIRMA will be presenting a series of five regional seminars in April. The topic of this year's seminars will be cyber security. Brett Nason and Kathy Hoberg will attend the event which will be held at the Haythorn Ranch on April 14, 2022.



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suffered by McPherson County. The Clerk has been communicating with the IT department at the Secretary of State's Office and two separate IT companies in the state. We are receiving bids for migrating McPherson County to a new, more secure e-mail server as well as full IT services. This is a priority situation which needs to be resolved as soon as possible, for the safety and security of the county.

Nason made a motion to give County Clerk Kathy Hoberg the authority to move forward with contract decisions and to sign an agreement with an IT company. Arensdorf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Rich Cook was present and addressed the commissioners about the position of Veteran's Service Officer in McPherson County. The county has issued a notice of cancellation to Lincoln County, as required by the terms of the current interlocal agreement, terminating that agreement. Nason made a motion to appoint Rich Cook as the McPherson County Veteran's Service Officer. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

Motion made by Bryant and seconded by Arensdorf to appoint Kevin Starr, Robert Ryland and Tammy Harris to the McPherson County Fair Board for a three- year term to expire in January 2025.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM. The Board will meet again on April 13, 2022, for their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

Publish: March 17, 2022



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MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS APRIL 13, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of March 9, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated April 7, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason. Members John Bryant, Jeffrey Arensdorf and Brett Nason were present. Also present were the County Sheriff Tom Burch, Road Worker Ed Black, Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, County Attorney Whitney Lindstedt and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Chairman Nason noted the Open Meetings Act which is posted on the North wall of the courtroom. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting with the following additions: In compliance with Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-3108 (b), the board concluded it was not practicable to secure and record at least three informal bids for the replacement radio equipment referenced in Resolution 2022-28. The board also concluded that the ambulance lift referenced in Resolution 2022-27 is a unique or noncompetitive item per Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-3109 (1)(a) and that the county can save a significant amount of money by entering to a special purchase per Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-3109 (3). Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL	AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages 25,947.17
Ameritas	County Share Retirement 1,452.22
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense 10.22
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance 5,255.52
John E. Bryant	Mileage 29.25
Central Plains Valuation	Appraisal Fees 1,950.00
Richard Cook	Weed Expenses 189.08
Custer Public Power	Utilities 695.83
DAS ST Accounting	Computer Expense 190.64
Jodi Dudley	Mileage 40.95
Eakes Office Plus	Copy Maintenance 293.70
ES&S	Election Supplies 1,029.04
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet 526.42
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt 57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage 93.60
Ideal Linen	Supplies 106.70
IRS	County Share SS/Med 1,933.17
Lincoln County Treasurer	Extension Contract 1,737.74
Whitney Lindstedt	County Atty Expenses 212.36
McPherson County Court	Court Costs 34.00
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer 978.72
Brett Nason	Mileage 87.75
NE Assn County Treasurers	Workshop 125.00



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NE Assn County Officials	Budget Workshop	100.00
Nebraska State Patrol	Computer Expense	56.25
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	678.00
Physicians Laboratory Svcs.	Autopsy Costs	2,554.00
Sandhills RC&D	Dues	100.00
Staples Credit Plan	Supplies	90.07
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	659.60
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	71.28
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.31
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal/Equip Rental	2,480.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	12,402.63
Ace Hardware	Supplies	116.94
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	769.68
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,095.96
Croell Inc.	Gravel	4,000.27
Fastenal Co.	Shop Supplies	7.67
Galaway Field Repair	Machine Repair	14,345.00
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	103.91
Inland Truck Parts	Machine Repair	10,244.60
IRS	County Share SS/Med	946.44
JM Parts	Machine Repair	191.90
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	6,517.41
RS Hydraulic Solutions	Machine Repair	733.68
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Troyer Enterprises	Shop Supplies	24.27
US Bank	Safety Supplies	244.78

FAIR		
Custer Public Power	Lights	639.22
Ideal Linen	Supplies	34.74

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM		
Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,153.50

The board reviewed a report from the McPherson County Treasurer, stating that the amount of money received from the Federal Fund Purchase Program was almost 500.00 lower than the



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preliminary amount budgeted for.

At 9:30 AM, the commissioners conducted an interview with Chelsey McNutt, who had applied for the position of Miller Park Caretaker. Nason made a motion to appoint Chelsey McNutt to the position. The terms will remain the same as the previous year and will be reviewed in June. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

The commissioners discussed roads with Ed Black. Ed reported that they have been hauling clay and gravel. All repairs on equipment have been completed.

Carl Rundback was present and there was further discussion on the Road Work Request which had been submitted for Tupper Drive. No decisions were made and the road has not been added to the road plan pending an Easement signed by the landowner.

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

At 10:30 AM, Dan Connell was present and addressed the board requesting the closure of Platt Street from the North right of way line of Fourth Street to the South right of way line of Third Street. This street is 100 ft. wide and is currently not in use. The board agreed to begin the required process for vacating this street. This includes sending letters to adjoining landowners and a public meeting which will be scheduled for May 11, 2022.

Mr. Vanderheiden, Superintendent of McPherson County Schools, was present and stated that the school board has been contacted about this matter and has no objection to the request. The school is also an adjoining landowner in the request made last week, for closure of Platt Street, East of Block 30 and Fourth Street, North of Block 30. Mr. Vanderheiden stated that the school board also has no objection to vacating these streets. Both requests will be scheduled for public meeting on May 11, 2022.

A Safety Meeting was held. Those present were, Tom Werblow, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Tom Burch, Kathy Hoberg and Ed Black. Tom Werblow provided information and flyers on Infectious Diseases and Blood Pathogens.

The board reviewed a proposal letter from Keith County Emergency Management/911 for Dispatch Service costs. The terms of the proposal are not final and will be reviewed again with representatives of Keith County Emergency Management/911.

The commissioners reviewed and signed the quarterly reports from the Sheriff and the Clerk. Kathy Hoberg, McPherson County Assessor, presented the board with the Reports and Opinions from the Property Tax Administrator. The level of value for Residential Real Property is 100%. The level of value for Commercial Real Property is 100% and the level of value for Agricultural Land in McPherson County is 69%. The opinion of the Property Tax Administrator is, McPherson County Assessor's quality of assessment meets generally accepted mass appraisal techniques and there were no recommendations made by the Administrator.

The Assessor presented a Report of Omitted Property for approval by the board. It had come to the Assessor's attention that the taxable value of the 50 x 100 building located on Parcel #600029735 had not been added to the total value of the parcel. Therefore, the taxable value of the building was not assessed on March 19, 2022. The commissioners approved and signed the report.

The commissioners were given a letter from the County Treasurer reporting that she has closed her Public Sale for 2020 Delinquent Property Taxes as of March 15, 2022. There was one Parcel for sale and no one showed up for the sale on March 7, 2022. Parcel #600001806 remains unsold for want of bidders.



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Arensdorf made a motion to appoint members of the Veteran's Service Officer Board as follows: Harold Arensdorf-term expiring 2023, Terry Neal-term expiring 2024, Kent Fisher-term expiring 2025, Doug Schmidt-term expiring 2026 and Dan Connell-term expiring 2027. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The board reviewed a price estimate for a new lawnmower for the Courthouse and Miller Park. Bryant moved to accept the estimate and purchase the mower from Mike's M/C & ATV Repair in North Platte for \$4338.00. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant made a motion to revoke a motion made on March 9, 2022, authorizing Brett Nason to sign an agreement for land surveying with Nebraska DOT. Arensdorf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf made a motion to revoke a motion made on March 9, 2022, adopting Resolution 2022-29 approving the agreement. Bryant seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The commissioners acknowledged receipt of a letter and check from the Robert Hanich Trust for \$100,000.00. This is the second of five payments that will be made over the next four years for the Soddy Road Safety Improvement Project.

The board received a Proposal from K&S Electric Inc. DBA Halls Electric and Services in North Platte, for new generators. The commissioners are considering the purchase of generators for the courthouse, fire hall and fair building. These are designated emergency shelters and communication centers. The generators will be purchased with the money received from Coronavirus State and Local fiscal Recovery Funds as part of the American Rescue Plan.

This is the only proposal received at this time and the commissioners have reached out to other potential bidders for proposals.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:30 AM. They will meet again at 9:00 AM, on May 11, 2022, for their next regular monthly meeting. This meeting will be held at the McPherson County Courthouse and is open to the public.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman

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MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS

May 11, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of April 13, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated May 5, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted in the meeting room. Members John Bryant and Brett Nason were present. Also present were the County Attorney Whitney Lindstedt, Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Sheriff Tom Burch, Road Worker Ed Black, Weed Superintendent/Veteran's Service Officer Rich Cook and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Nason made a motion to excuse Jeff Arensdorf who was absent due to illness. Bryant seconded.

Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL	AMOUNT
Payroll	25165.98
Ace Hardware	61.94
Ameritas	1,399.50
Applied Connective Tech	970.30
Blue Cross Blue Shield	5,255.52
John E. Bryant	200.08
Custer Public Power	587.59
Eakes Office Plus	71.77
ES&S	1,909.52
Great Plains Comm	526.42
Great Plains Comm	57.96
Gworks	5,000.00
Katherine Hoberg	197.21
Ideal Linen	109.56
IRS	1,873.40
Whitney Lindstedt	87.36
Loup Basin RC&D	200.00
Menards	126.47
Mikes Motorcycle & ATV	4,338.00
MIPS	1,037.25
Brett Nason	79.56
NE Assn County Officials	100.00
Nebraska Cnty Atty Assn	484.00
Neal Oil & Auto	522.49
Staples Credit Plan	360.63



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Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	1,335.13
Trugreen	Grounds Maintenance	80.00
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	893.55
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.21
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,510.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	9,892.00
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	600.21
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,095.96
Croell Inc.	Gravel	9,294.26
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	103.91
IRS	County Share SS/Med	754.36
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	5,489.14
NE Truck Center	Parts	2.00
Platte Valley Comm	Radio Repair	230.51
RS Hydraulic Solutions	Machine Repair	202.37
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
FAIR		
Ideal/Bluffs Facility Sol.	Supplies	40.62
Ideal Linen	Supplies	35.67
SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM		
Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	2,992.00

The Board discussed setting the date and time for a Public Hearing regarding the vacation of Platt Street from 3rd Street and Hwy 97 and Fourth Street between Brown Street and Platt Street. Mr. Vanderheiden, Superintendent of McPherson County Schools, was present for discussion. The Public Hearing for the closures will be held at the next commissioner's meeting on June 8, 2022 which begins at 9:00 AM.

Rich Cook presented the board with the Noxious Weed Reports and Requirements Summary for 2021. The report states that McPherson County is meeting the requirements of the Nebraska Noxious Weed Control Act. The report was signed by Chairman Nason and will be returned to the Nebraska Department of Agriculture by Cook. Rich Cook also discussed Veteran's Service with the commissioners. Nason made a motion to appoint Dennis Licking to the Veteran's Service Board replacing Harold Arensdorf. The term will expire in January, 2023. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

At 9:15 AM, Trent Neal was present to discuss building an approach on the West side of the Neal Oil Bulk Plant. John Bryant noted that he has examined the area and the board will have Ed Black look at the area and give input on the best plan for this project.

County roads were discussed with road worker Ed Black. The commissioners discussed a Request for Road Work which had been submitted by Linda Kemp. The occupant of the property reported that they are very



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happy with repairs that were completed on the road last year, but that the auto-gate fills and floods. The road department will look at the road and auto-gate and determine what needs to be done and the commissioners will determine if this is a county issue.

Bryant moved to accept the May Road Plan as presented by Nason. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

A Safety Committee meeting was held. Members present were John Bryant, Brett Nason, Whitney Lindstedt, Tom Werblow, Ed Black and Kathy Hoberg. Tom Werblow presented information and gave flyers about Protection from Lightning Strikes.

The commissioners approved corrections of clerical errors on Resolution #2022-27 and #2022-28. These resolutions should be numbered as #2022-8 and #2022-9. Resolution #2022-8 also lists Great Plains Communications as the seller but this was corrected to list Platte Valley Communications as the seller.

The commissioners received and reviewed the Fund Balance Listing from the Treasurer.

Nason made a motion to sign the Management Representation Letter from the Auditor. McPherson County's annual audit was completed on April 28, 2022. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

The board signed the 2022-2023 contract with West Central Area Agency on Aging for the Senior Meal Program and the contract with Prairie Hills Café for the program.

The commissioners discussed the 2022 rates for Health and Dental Insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska. Health insurance rates increased 17.14%. Rates for Dental insurance increased 5.87%.

McPherson County pays the premium for up to employee/spouse coverage for Health Insurance.

Employees pay all deductibles and co-pays. Dental Insurance premiums are paid fully by the employee.

Bryant made a motion to continue the current benefit program with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska.

Nason seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The commissioners voted to designate MIPS as the county printing service. This service will be used, if needed to print tax increase postcards in compliance with LB644.

The board discussed repairs to the portable toilets in Miller Park. The commissioners approved Sandhills Septic to make necessary repairs.

At 10:30 AM, the commissioners met with representatives of Keith County 911 and discussed the new proposal for Dispatch Service costs. The proposal is as follows: The fee shall be 1% of the Counties' Personal and Real Property taxes based on the preceding year's budget, to be no lower than \$4000 per year as earlier agreed upon. This fee will be revisited every two years in April.

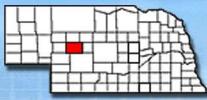
Bryant moved to accept and sign the proposal. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50AM.

The next regular board of commissioners meeting will be held at 9:00 AM on June 8, 2022. This meeting will be held in the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman



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MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS JUNE 8, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of May 11, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise issue dated June 2, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason. Nason noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted in the meeting room. Members Brett Nason, John Bryant and Jeff Arensdorf were present. Also present were the County County Attorney Whitney Lindstedt, Sheriff Tom Burch, Road Department employee Ed Black and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant made a motion to excuse Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Arensdorf, being absent from the last meeting due to illness, abstained. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL	AMOUNT
Payroll	25063.45
Ameritas	1,392.57
Applied Connective Tech	513.90
Berva Arensdorf	152.91
Sandra Black	33.75
Blue Cross Blue Shield	6,147.38
Richard Cook	42.12
Custer Public Power	636.46
DAS ST. Accounting	106.32
Eakes Office Plus	862.69
Great Plains Comm	526.42
Great Plains Comm	57.96
Heartland Sprinkler Systems	99.64
Ideal Linen	109.56
IRS	1,863.60
Keith County Communications	8,894.98
Rhonda Kemp	33.75
Karen Licking	140.04
Lincoln County Treasurer	1,737.74
Whitney Lindstedt	87.36
Chelsey McNutt	287.50
Menards	59.98
MIPS	978.75



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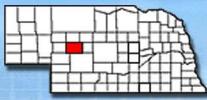
NE Assn County Clerks	Workshop	125.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	101.00
Nirma	Annual Insurance Premium	10,022.00
Linda Paxton	Election Wages	205.20
Pamela Schmidt	Election Wages	140.85
Staples Credit Plan	Supplies	868.92
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	212.88
Trugreen	Grounds Maintenance	336.00
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	982.51
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.21
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00
Pauline Waits	Election Wages	140.85
Donald D. Wilson CPA	Audit Costs	5,000.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	10,491.63
Ace Hardware	Supplies	169.99
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	640.69
Jeffrey Arensdorf	RR Ties	40.00

Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	17,347.22
Croell Paving	Asphalt	1,051.25
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	103.91
IRS	County Share SS/Med	800.24
JM Parts and Equip	Shop Supplies	43.20
Level LLC	Autogate Sills	2,000.00
McPherson Co. Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	4,991.86
Nirma	Annual Insurance Premium	13,332.00
Powerplan	Grader Blades / Maintenance	574.22
GB Auto Serv Inc (T.O. Haas)	Tires/Equipment	1,687.96
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00

FAIR		
Ideal/Bluffs Facility Sol.	Supplies	80.67
Ideal Linen	Supplies	37.11
Sandhills Catering	Fair BBQ	1,000.00

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM		
Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,272.50



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At 9:05 AM, the board met with Brian Cox from Nebraska Extension. The board reviewed the new inter-local agreement between Nebraska extension and Lincoln/McPherson/ Logan Counties. The commissioners, along with the county attorney, will review the agreement and address it at the July Commissioner's meeting.

Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow arrived at 9:10 AM.

At 9:15 AM, there was a Public Hearing Held to discuss a request to vacate a portion of Platt Street and Fourth Street. Dan Connell was present and had no comments nor objections to the request. Bryant made a motion to approve the request to vacate as follows:

Platt Street from the North Right of Way line of Fourth Street to the South Right of Way line of Third Street.

Platt Street from the North Right of Way of Highway 92/97 (Fifth Street) to a point on the extended North Right of Way of Fourth Street.

Fourth Street from the East Right of Way of Brown Street to the East Right of Way of Platt Street.

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

Motion passed and the hearing was closed.

Ed Black reported that the road department has been grading and adding cover to roads in the county. Two auto-gates have been set and/ or replaced.

Arensdorf moved to approve the June Road Plan as presented by Nason. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

At 10:00 AM, the commissioners met with Kyle Anderson from AFLAC. McPherson County employees are eligible to purchase insurance coverage through AFLAC at the expense of the employee. AFLAC offers a choice of a Value-Added Service to the County for no charge. Arensdorf made a motion to choose the Accidental Death and Dismemberment Policy as the choice for McPherson County. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

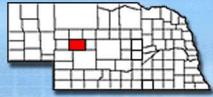
There was a Safety Committee meeting held. Members present were: Tom Werblow, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Whitney Lindstedt, Ed Black and Kathy Hoberg. Tom Werblow gave flyers and information about "Tips on Sun Protection".

The board reviewed the Fund Balance Listing from the Treasurer.

Arensdorf made a motion to approve the Independent Auditor Report for June 30, 2021 from Donald D. Wilson, CPA. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None. **The audit report has been completed and is on file in the office of the McPherson County Clerk.**

The board reviewed the 2022 NIRMA/II billing statement which details the coverages and costs for the July 1, 2022 to July 1, 2023 policy period. McPherson County's annual contribution amount for 2022-23 is \$23,354, which represents a \$3,075, or 15.15 percent increase from last year. Bryant made a motion to keep the policy and deductible we currently have in place. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

At 11:00 AM, Bryant moved to adjourn the regular board meeting and meet as the Board of Equalization for the purpose of Valuation Protest Hearings. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf.



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Voting Nay: None.

Chairman Arensdorf called the meeting to order and noted the Open Meetings Law which is posted on the North wall of the courtroom. Those present were Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Tom Werblow and Kathy Hoberg. The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and had been approved at the commissioner's meeting in November, 2021.

There were no Valuation Protests filed for this hearing.

Arensdorf adjourned the meeting at 11:05 AM.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:06 AM.

The next regular Board of Commissioners meeting will be held at 9:00 AM on July 13, 2022. This meeting will be held in the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

The Board of Equalization will meet at 11:00 AM on July 13, 2022, for the purpose of Valuation Protest Hearings.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman



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

JULY 13, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of June 8, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the *Stapleton Enterprise*; issue dated July 7, 2022. The agenda for the meeting was posted in the courthouse and on the county website. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason 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, Weed Superintendent Rich Cook, Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, County Clerk Kathy Hoberg, road workers Ed Black and Kasey Dailey. Arensdorf made a motion to excuse Whitney Schroeder, county attorney. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting and Board of Equalization meeting as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL

		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	26873.53
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,514.75
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense	3,831.49
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	6,147.38
John Bryant	Mileage	146.25
Richard Cook	Mileage	175.50
Custer Public Power	Utilities	753.74
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	106.32
Eakes Office Plus	Copy Maintenance	92.97
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	526.42
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Grease Monkey	Maintenance/Sheriff	78.99
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	64.35
Ideal Linen	Supplies	109.56
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,998.39
LaQuinta Inn & Suites	Convention	378.90
Loup Basin RC&D	Weed Expense	32.00
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,027.36
NE Assn County Officials	Workshop/Dues	1,141.71
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	1,321.00
Region II Human Services	Dues	1,643.21
Region II Services	County Share	810.00
Sandhills Septic &	Park Maintenance	195.30



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Trenching

Whitney Schroeder	Mileage/Child Enforcement	216.26
Staples Credit Plan	Supplies	324.34
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	215.88
Thomas County Library	Bookmobile	2,347.93
Truegreen	Grounds Maintenance	50.00
Tyler Technologies	Office Supplies/Vets	449.00
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	187.75
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.21
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00

ROAD

		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	13,704.25
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	857.54
Jeffrey Arensdorf	RR Ties	40.00
Blue Cross	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	17,996.67

Great Plains Comm	Telephone	103.91
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,046.00
JM Parts and Equip	Shop Supplies	42.99
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	11,419.71
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
GB Auto Svc (T.O.Haas)	Repairs	783.40

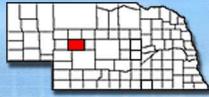
FAIR

Ideal Linen	Supplies	37.11
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SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,221.50
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County Attorney, Whitney Schroeder, arrived at 9:05 AM.



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The commissioners met with Elaine Menzel, legal counsel for Nebraska Association of County Officials, who was present to introduce herself and provide an update on NACO. The Association has purchased property in Ogallala and will be building a central location for meetings and offices. The annual NACO convention will be held at the new Younes Center in Kearney in December.

Belinda Miller was present and addressed the board with a request to vacate 6th Street between Block 43 and Block 48. The commissioners consider this an area of outlet between Platt Street and Brown Street and did not see any purpose for the vacation. The request was denied. Mrs. Miller inquired about the responsibility for mowing the area. The board and Highway Superintendent stated that landowners are responsible for mowing to the middle of roads running along their land.

Section 39-1811 as amended by LB 584 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes requires that all landowners mow all weeds that can be mowed with the ordinary farm mower to the middle of all public roads and drainage ditches running along their lands, at least twice a year, not before July 1st, and sometime in July for the first time and sometime in September for the second time.

At 9:30 AM, the board met with Brian Cox from Nebraska Extension. Bryant moved to approve and sign the Interlocal Agreement for the Provision of Cooperative Extension Services. This agreement is between the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and Lincoln, Logan and McPherson Counties. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. There was discussion about possible mileage paid to appointed members of the extension board. Mr. Cox and Whitney Schoeder will examine the issue and report to the board.

Weed Superintendent, Rich Cook, presented the commissioners with the current weed report and answered questions about weeds in the county.

County roads and equipment were discussed with Ed Black and Kasey Dailey. The road department has completed a road project on Abby Drive, installed auto gates and placed cover on several roads in the county. Jack Tucker and Pamela and Rudy Haynes were present to discuss the condition of Soddy Road. There was much discussion about the specifics of the project which will add width and material to the road. Tom Werblow scheduled a meeting between an asphalt specialist and the road crew which will take place next week. The project will begin with the widening of the road and adding a crushed concrete base to the sides.

Bryant made a motion to approve the July Road Plan as submitted by Arensdorf. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. 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 Kasey Dailey. Werblow presented flyers and information on *Road- Side Mower Safety*.

The commissioners signed **Resolution #2022-10** vacating portions of Platte Street and Fourth Street. The vacation was approved by a motion of the board at the June 8, 2022 meeting. The Resolution will be filed in the office of the Register of Deeds in McPherson County.

The commissioners reviewed and signed the Second Quarter Fee reports from the County Sheriff and the County Clerk.

The Board reviewed and signed the County Assessor Three Year Plan of Assessment for 2023, 2024 and 2025. Motion by Bryant. Seconded by Arensdorf. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.



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The commissioners were given several reports from the treasurer, including the Fund Balance Listing for 6/30/2022, 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 2022 and the Delinquent Tax Listing.

Arensdorf made a motion of approval for the treasurer to close the *STOP Program Fund* and transfer the money to the *Law Enforcement Program Fund*. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

John Bryant gave a report on the County Board Workshop which he attended in June.

The commissioners approved letters of request for support from Bridge of Hope Child Advocacy Center, Region II Human Services and Region II Services, Motion made by Bryant, seconded by Arensdorf. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The commissioners reviewed a proposal for a new courthouse copy/fax machine which was received from Eakes Office Solutions. The commissioners reviewed the proposal and gave approval for the copier to be replaced when needed.

11: 00 AM -Bryant made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting and convene as Board of Equalization. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Nason and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

Chairman of BOE, Arensdorf, 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 9:00 AM. There were no protests filed for this hearing.

The Assessor presented a Report of Undervalued Property to the board.

Twin Platte NRD reported that Parcel #600001806 contains 131.25 Certified Irrigated Acres which had not been reported to the Assessor at the time of Abstract. The added acres will change the total of Irrigated acres on the parcel from 141.57 to 273.22 acres. The value of the parcel will change from \$489,830 to \$695,862.

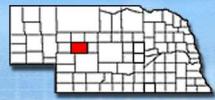
There being no further business for the Board of Equalization, Nason moved to adjourn the meeting. Bryant Seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

The board will meet again at 9:00 AM on August 10,2022 for their next regular monthly meeting. There will be a Budget Workshop held during this meeting at 10:30 AM. This meeting will be held in the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman



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MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS AUGUST 10, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of July 13, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting and Budget Workshop. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated August 4, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. Members Brett Nason, Jeffrey Arensdorf and John Bryant were present. Also present were the Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, Road employee Ed Black and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant made a motion to excuse the County Attorney, Whitney Schroeder, who was absent due to illness. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. The following claims were examined and approved as presented:

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	25974.27
Ace Hardware	Supplies	12.95
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,454.05
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense	691.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	6,147.38
Bridge of Hope	Annual Support	115.00
John Bryant	Mileage	115.63
Richard Cook	Mileage/Weed	165.00
Custer Public Power	Utilities	904.99
Consolidated Electrical		
Dist.	Tower Repair	450.00
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	106.32
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	531.10
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	50.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	113.94
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,929.61
Lincoln County Clerk	Probation Officer	737.58
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,027.36
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel	329.88
Ringgold Auto Body	Door Refinish	441.00
Sandhills Area Sheriff's		
Assn	Dues	100.00
Sandhills Septic &		
Trenching	Park Maintenance	75.00
Whitney Schroeder	Mileage	97.50
NE Secretary of State	Election Supplies	5.00



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Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	48.37
Stapleton Enterprise	Publishing/Supplies	465.55
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	300.18
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.91
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	10,857.25
Ace Hardware	Supplies	39.96
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	665.36
Beveridge Inc.	Crushed Concrete	1,116.70
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	6,892.94
Fastenal Company	Supplies	40.74
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	106.55
Inland Truck Parts Co.	Repairs	493.26
IRS	County Share SS/Med	828.23

JM Parts and Equip.	Shop Supplies	92.99
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Medical Enterprises Inc	Drug /Alcohol Test	75.00
Midlands Occupational Med.	Drug /Alcohol Test	55.00
Mullen Auto & Diesel	Repairs	865.43
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	5,305.69
Powerplan	Maintenance	99.27
T&S Repair LLC	Repairs	780.83
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Troyer Enterprises	Repairs	1,578.29
Weavers Tree Service	Tree Removal	1,500.00

FAIR

Hooker County Tribune	Fair Paper	50.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	37.11
Stapleton Enterprise	Fair Schedule	285.00

PRESERVATION & MOD

Government Forms &	Labels/Paper	343.59
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SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	2,947.05
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COVID ARPA

FYR-TEK	Power Load	23,600.00
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Roads were discussed with Ed Black. The road crew has been maintaining roads and repairing soft spots throughout the county. Ed also reports that the shoulder work on the Soddy Road Project has begun. The board reviewed a *Request for Roadwork* which was submitted by Colton and Kathleen Craig. The request is for an access road to a new home. John Bryant will contact the landowners concerning cost-sharing the cover material for the road. The matter was tabled until the September meeting.

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

There was a Safety Committee Meeting held. Those present were Tom Werblow, John Bryant, Brett Nason, Jeff Arensdorf, Kathy Hoberg and Ed Black. Tom Werblow gave flyers and information about *Flammable Liquids-Gasoline and Fueling Operations & Static Electricity*.

Arensdorf made a motion to approve and adopt **Resolution #2022-11** Authorizing and Directing the County Treasurer to transfer funds from the Highway Buyback fund to the General Road Fund.

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

Bryant made a motion to approve and adopt **Resolution #2022-12** Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf moved to approve and sign a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Nebraska Department of Veteran's Affairs and McPherson County. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

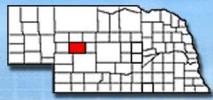
The board reviewed a Contract for Property Appraisal between Central Plains Valuation and McPherson County which was presented by the Assessor. Central Plains Valuation will assist with data entry and depreciation tables to be used for property valuation beginning in 2023. The contract also includes inspection of new homes, buildings, and additions. Bryant moved to approve and sign the contract. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

County Office Inventories for 2022 were examined and signed.

The board reviewed a request for payment assistance for Elm Tree Removal submitted by Harold Arensdorf. The trees were located within the county road easement. Nason made a motion to approve payment of one-half of the bill for the removal of the Elm trees. Total amount to be paid by county \$750.00.

Propane Contract Bid Proposals for 2022-2023 were submitted by Neal Oil. The McPherson County Courthouse bid is for an Estimated 2000 Gallons with a Bid Price of \$1.92.

The McPherson County Road Department bid is for an Estimated 2000 Gallons with a Bid Price of \$1.92. Arensdorf made a motion to approve and sign both bids. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.



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Brett Nason reported that he has contacted two companies regarding bids for the purchase of new generators for the Courthouse, Fire Hall, and Fair Building. The board previously voted to designate money from the ARPA Fund to the purchase of the three generators. Bryant made a motion to advertise for bids in the Stapleton Enterprise. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

At **10:30 AM**, a Budget Workshop was held. Caleb Johnson was present and presented the board with the preliminary budget information. The budget request for each fund was reviewed and discussed.

The meeting was recessed at 12:20 PM for a lunch break.

The meeting resumed at 1:20 PM.

Bryant made a motion to approve and adopt [Resolution # 2022-13](#) Tax Allocation to Miscellaneous Districts. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Arensdorf made a motion to approve and adopt [Resolution #2022-14](#) Allowable Increase of Restricted Funds (1%). Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant moved to approve and adopt [Resolution #2022-15](#) Authorization/Reauthorization of Petty Cash Funds. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

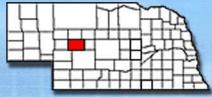
Arensdorf moved to adopt and approve [Resolution #2022-16](#) Transfer of Funds from the STOP Fund 2356 to the Law Enforcement Fund 2960.

There being no further business, the budget workshop and the meeting were adjourned at 3:30 PM.

The board will meet again at 9:00 AM on September 14, for the 2022 Budget Hearing. The regular monthly meeting of the Commissioners will be held immediately following the hearing. These meetings will be held in the McPherson County Courthouse and are open to the public.

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk



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MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S
SPECIAL MEETING
HEARING TO SET THE FINAL TAX REQUEST
SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of August 10, 2022. Notice of hearing having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated Sept 8, 2022. The hearing was called to order at 9:00AM by Chairman Nason who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. Brett Nason, John Bryant, and Jeffrey Arensdorf were present. Also present were the County Attorney Whitney Schroeder, the Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, and the County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Arensdorf moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The Special Hearing was held to set the final tax request for the proposed 2022 McPherson County Budget, with a tax request of \$777,158.64 which is \$15,886.05 more than last year. There were three copies of the proposed budget available in the courtroom for public review. The purpose of the hearing was to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request. Three copies of the aggregate page, comparing numbers on this year's proposed budget with last year's budget were also available for review in the courtroom.

There were no members of the public present for review or to participate in the hearing.

This hearing was adjourned at 9:15 AM

Katherine E. Hoberg, McPherson County Clerk

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BUDGET HEARING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

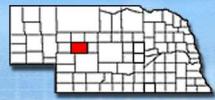
The Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of the Special Hearing to set the final tax request which was held at 9:00 AM. on this date. Notice of hearing having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated September 8, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by commissioner Nason at 9:16 AM. Nason noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. The minutes of the September board meeting had been examined and approved by a motion of the board at the Special Hearing which had commenced at 9:00 AM and adjourned at 9:15 AM.

The Budget Hearing was held for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed 2022-2023 McPherson County Budget. There were three copies of the proposed budget and aggregate page available in the courtroom for public review. Commissioner Nason presented an overview of the 2022-2023 budget.

There were no members of the public present for review or to participate in the hearing.

This hearing was adjourned at 9:30 AM.



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Katherine E. Hoberg, McPherson County Clerk



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

SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of August 10, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated September 8, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:31 AM by Chairman Nason, 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. The minutes of the previous meeting had been approved at the Budget Meeting which was held at 9:00 AM on this date. Bryant made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	26,650.75
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,499.71
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense	994.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	6,147.38
Richard Cook	Mileage/Weed	100.00
Custer Public Power	Utilities	934.49
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	70.48
Eakes Office Plus	Copy Maintenance/Supplies	1,552.84
Election Systems &Software	Supplies	152.01
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	531.10
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	154.38
Ideal Linen	Supplies	113.94
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,981.35
Lincoln County Treasurer	Extension Contract	1,737.74
Chelsey McNutt	Park Maintenance	287.50
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,252.36
NACO	Workshop	175.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	217.00
Nebraska Safety & Fire	Inspections	40.00
Norfolk Lodge & Suites	Assessor Workshop	328.47
Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	89.89
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing/Publishing	306.56
Trugreen	Grounds maintenance	130.00
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	187.55
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.91



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Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00
W. Central Area Agency Aging	Dues	448.96

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	12,973.00
Ace Hardware	Supplies	28.97
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	808.17
Beveridge Inc.	Crushed Concrete	6,617.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	7,273.46
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	106.55
IRS	County Share SS/Med	990.07
JM Parts and Equip	Shop Supplies	137.04
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Mullen Auto & Diesel	Repairs	169.36
NAPA Auto Parts	Machine Parts	47.98

Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	8,692.21
Nebraska Safety&Fire	Inspections	40.00
RS Hydraulic Solutions	Repairs	88.58
Sandhills Auto&Tractor	Repairs	325.06
Sandhills		
Septic&Trenching	Contract Labor	161.00
Simon Contractors	Gravel	3,150.26
T&S Repair LLC	Repairs	1,359.30
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Titan Machinery	Repairs	774.31
Troyer Enterprises	Repairs	264.26
US Bank	Supplies	961.85
Weavers Tree Service	Tree Removal	750.00

FAIR		
Cindy Gregg	Fair Expenses	60.23
James Griffin	Judge Expense	103.75
Pam Hamilton	Judge Expense	198.75



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Ideal Linen	Supplies	37.11
Bailey Johnson	Judge Expense	106.25
Kristy Lage	Judge Expense	98.75
Nathan Lashley	Judge Expense	306.25
Menards	Fair Expenses	167.89
T.L. Meyer	Judge Expense	332.25
Willow Creek Embroidery	Fair Expenses	825.00

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,858.60
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COVID ARPA

FYR-TEK	Power Load	2,100.00
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Arensdorf made a motion to approve and adopt **RESOLUTION #2022-17 Resolution of Adoption and Appropriations**, adopting the proposed 2022-2023 McPherson County Budget. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

Bryant made a motion to approve and adopt **RESOLUTION #2022-18 Property Tax Request**, which will cause the tax rate to be **.228569** which is different than the 2021-2022 tax rate of **.238804**, per \$100 of assessed value. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the McPherson County Board of Commissioners will increase compared to last year's operating budget by **9.21%**. Arensdorf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The commissioners discussed roads with Ed Black. The road department has been working on the Soddy Road Project. They are currently placing gravel/rock on the shoulders and adding width to the road.

The road department plans to return to maintaining roads in the county to include dragging and patching but will also continue the Soddy Road Project.

The board discussed the Request for Road Work for an access road to a new home located on section 15-19-30, which had been tabled at the last meeting. Bryant made a motion to add the project to the road plan. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: Nason.

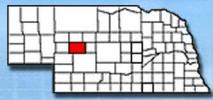
Bryant made a motion to approve the September Road Plan as presented by Arensdorf. Arensdorf seconded.

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

There was a Safety Committee Meeting held. Those present were Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Whitney Schroeder, Tom Burch, Ed Black and Kathy Hoberg.

Tom Werblow gave flyers and information about Protection from Poison Ivy, Poison Oak, and Sumac.

The commissioners received and reviewed the Fund Balance Listing for August 31, 2022, which was provided by the Treasurer.



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There was discussion on bids for 3 generators. The board of commissioners had previously approved allocating money from the COVID/ARPA Fund to the purchase of 3 Generators. At the board meeting in August, the board requested that a Request for Bids be published. The request was written by the Highway Superintendent and sent to the clerk. The clerk emailed the Notice to Bidders to the newspaper with request to publish. Due to unknown reasons, the Notice was not received by the newspaper and therefore not published. The commissioners have reached out to three companies for bids and have received two proposals. The first proposal is from K&S Electric, Inc. DBA Halls Electric and Services for \$34,216.08. The second proposal was received from Platte Valley Electric, LLC for \$51,327.00. There was no proposal received from the third company. Due to the receipt of the two bids and the lowest bid falling below the \$50,000.00 threshold, the commissioners decided to forego publishing the Notice to Bidders. Bryant made a motion to accept the bid proposal from Halls Electric and Services for \$34,216.08, with payment being made from the ARPA Fund. Arensdorf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

In keeping with §23-3115, the large generator which is currently located behind the courthouse will be declared surplus property sold.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:00 AM and met as Board of Equalization.

Chairman Arensdorf called the meeting to order at 11:03 AM. Those present were Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Whitney Schroeder, and Kathy Hoberg. The Open Meetings Law is posted on the North wall of the Courtroom.

Nason made a motion to approve the minutes of the prior BOE meeting which was held in July 2022. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Nason, Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

The board reviewed the report of McPherson County Permissive Exemptions including Cemeteries as presented by the County Assessor. The board will publish the list by September 30.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.

The board will meet again on October 12, 2022, at 9:00 AM for their next regular meeting. This meeting will be held in the courtroom of the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

ATTEST: _____
McPherson County Clerk

McPherson County Board Chairman



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MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS

OCTOBER 12, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of September 14, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated October 7, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. Members John Bryant, Brett Nason and Jeffrey Arensdorf were present. Also present were Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, road employee Ed Black and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant moved to excuse the County Attorney, Whitney Lindstedt, who was absent due to training. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Arensdorf moved to approve the minutes of the September 14th Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request, the Budget Hearing and regular monthly Commissioner's Meeting as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant, and Nason. Voting Nay: None. Bryant made a motion to approve the following claims as presented. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	25,907.18
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,449.53
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense	721.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	6,147.38
John Bryant	Mileage	31.25
Custer Public Power	Utilities	492.78
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	70.48
Election Systems &Software	Supplies	1,441.91
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	529.04
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	50.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	113.94
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,924.48
Kerri Kramer	Mileage	43.75
Loup Basin RC&D	Weed Expense	29.92
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,027.36
Mullen Auto & Diesel	Vehicle Repair	586.46
Brett Nason	Mileage	93.75
NE Weed Control Assn.	Weed Dues	125.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	151.65
Whitney Schroeder	Mileage/ Child Suppt Enforce	222.50
Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	42.18
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing/Publishing	1,210.98



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Thomas County Library	Bookmobile	2,347.93
Trugreen	Grounds maintenance	80.00
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	485.50
Verizon	County Court Phone	53.81
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	81.91
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00

ROAD **AMOUNT**

Payroll	Wages	10,374.63
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	632.79
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	6,629.39
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	105.39
Inland Truck Parts	Equipment Repair	522.32
IRS	County Share SS/Med	791.29

McPherson Co.

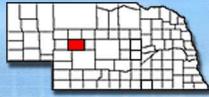
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	9,788.31
Platte Valley Comm	Radio Repair	154.22
Powerplan	Equipment Repair	1,697.21
RS Hydraulic Solutions	Repairs	51.90
Simon Contractors	Gravel/Crush Concrete	32,788.92
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
GB Auto Svc (T.O.Haas)	Equipment Repair	3,743.98

FAIR

Dry Creek Western Wear	Fair Expenses	1,276.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	37.11
Nebraska Safety & Fire	Building Supplies	35.00
Arlan Paxton	Fair Expenses	49.00
Prairie Hills Café	Fair Expenses	130.32

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,486.90
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Nason made a motion to Approve and Adopt **RESOLUTION #2022-19** Setting subdivision levies for 2022. The motion was seconded by Arensdorf. Voting Aye: Nason, Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None. Levies were set as follows:

MCPHERSON COUNTY

GENERAL FUND	0.15494082
ROAD FUND	0.07158631
FAIR FUND	0.00189439
FAIR BUILDING	0.00014705
TOTAL	0.228569

MCPHERSON COUNTY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

GENERAL FUND	0.005520
SINKING FUND	0.001680
TOTAL	0.007200

MCPHERSON COUNTY SCHOOL

GENERAL	0.694893
QUALIFIED CAPITAL PURPOSE	0.008097
SPECIAL BUILDING FUND	0.006143
TOTAL	0.709133

County Roads were discussed with Ed Black. The department continues to haul rock, repair and maintain roads. Work on the Soddy Road Project is continuing. Work needed on Prairie Trace Road was discussed.

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

Tom Werblow was asked to create a road easement for Section 15-19-30.

A Safety Committee Meeting was held. Those present were, Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Ed Black, Tom Burch and Kathy Hoberg. Tom Werblow gave flyers and a presentation about Knowing the Dangers of Substance Abuse.

The commissioners reviewed and signed the Quarterly Fee Reports presented by the Sheriff and Clerk.

The Board decided to move the time of the December Commissioner's Meeting from 9:00 AM to 8:00 AM. This will give the officials time to attend afternoon training sessions at the NACO Conference in Kearney. The Conference is scheduled for the 14th, 15th, and 16th of December at the Younes Center in Kearney.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM. They will meet again on November 9, 2022, at 9:00 AM. This meeting will be held in the courtroom of the McPherson County Courthouse and will be open to the public.

Katherine E. Hoberg
McPherson County Clerk

Brett W. Nason
McPherson County Board Chairman



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MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS **NOVEMBER 9, 2022**

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of October 12, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated November 3, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Vice-Chairman Arensdorf, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted in the meeting room. Members John Bryant and Jeff Arensdorf were present. Bryant made a motion to excuse Brett Nason who was absent due to personal reasons. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None. Also present were the Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, County Attorney Whitney Lindstedt, road worker Ed Black and the County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting and the Emergency meeting which was held on October 21, 2022. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	26,268.08
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,473.88
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense	711.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	6,147.38
John Bryant	Mileage	115.63
Richard Cook	Mileage	197.50
Custer Public Power	Utilities	465.89
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	70.48
Eakes Office Plus	Office Supplies/Equipment	6,973.48
Election Systems &Software	Supplies	2,320.60
First National Bank	Safe Deposit	75.00
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	529.04
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Heartland Sprinkler	Grounds maintenance	90.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	113.94
IRS	County Share SS/Med	1,952.09
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,027.36
NACO	Convention/Dues/LB644	2,443.17
NE Sheriff's Assn	Dues	175.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	213.98
Sandhills Septic	Grounds/Park Maintenance	536.00
Stan's Guns	Law Enforcement	125.00
Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	435.42
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing/Publishing	832.70
Trugreen	Grounds maintenance	80.00



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US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	173.49
Verizon	County Court Phone	53.81
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	82.12
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,480.00

ROAD **AMOUNT**

Payroll	Wages	10,360.00
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	631.80
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	16,776.43
Croell Inc.	Asphalt	618.75
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	105.39
IRS	County Share SS/Med	790.17
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Mullen Auto & Diesel	Repairs	1,211.07
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	8,994.62

Powerplan	Equipment Repair	1,151.41
Simon Contractors	Gravel/Crush Concrete	9,330.98
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
Titan Machinery	Repairs	1,238.18
GB Auto Svc (T.O.Haas)	Equipment Repair	120.00

FAIR

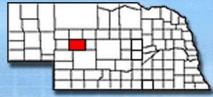
Ideal Linen	Supplies	37.11
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SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,787.80
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Jessica Fenske from Healing Hearts Diversion Program was present and discussed the program with the board. Bryant made a motion to sign the annual Memorandum of Understanding. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Arensdorf. Voting Nay: None.

Road Worker Ed Black reports that the road crew has been doing maintenance and grading roads and adding cover.



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Arensdorf made a motion to approve the Road Plan for November which was provided by Bryant. Bryant seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Arensdorf and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

A Safety Committee meeting was held. Those present were Tom Werblow, John Bryant, Jeff Arensdorf, Whitney Schroeder, Ed Black, and Kathy Hoberg. Werblow gave flyers and a presentation about How to Help in Emergency Breathing Situations.

There was discussion about the McPherson County Sheriff's position. There were no candidates who filed for the position in the General Election. The county attorney and clerk will compose an application and advertise for appointment by the commissioners.

The board reviewed the monthly Fund Balance Listing from the Treasurer.

The commissioners discussed applying for the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund – ARPA. Bryant moved to move forward with the application and requested the county clerk to work together with the county treasurer to complete the application process. Arensdorf seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

At 10:10 AM, Arensdorf adjourned the regular meeting to meet as Board of Equalization.

The BOE meeting was called to order by Chairman Arensdorf.

The Open Meetings Law was recognized.

Bryant made a motion to adopt and approve the Amended Resolution #2022-19 Setting Levies for McPherson County. The resolution which was approved in October had an incorrect digit. The new resolution changes the McPherson County levy amount from 0.228569 to 0.228568.

There being no further business, Bryant moved to adjourn the meeting.

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

The commissioners will meet again on December 14, 2022 at 8:00 AM. This meeting will be held in the McPherson County Courthouse in Tryon and will be open to the public.

McPherson County Board Chairman

Brett Nason

McPherson County Clerk

Katherine E. Hoberg

MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS
EMERGENCY MEETING
December 12, 2022

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of November 9,2022, for an Emergency Meeting. Notice of meeting having been posted in the McPherson County Courthouse, Prairie Hills Café, and Neal Oil, all locations in Tryon, Nebraska. The sole purpose of the meeting was to review and approve the accounts payable claims and payroll claims. Due to possible hazardous weather, which was forecast for Wednesday, December 14th, the regular scheduled meeting was postponed until Monday, December 19, 2022. The county attorney Whitney Lindstedt and Board Chairman Brett Nason determined that paying the claims and employees on the regularly scheduled date, gave reason for the emergency meeting. The meeting was called to order at 1:15 PM by Chairman Nason, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted in the meeting room. Members John Bryant, Brett Nason and Jeff Arensdorf were present. Also present was road worker Ed Black, Sheriff Tom Burch, and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Arensdorf seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant and Arensdorf. Nason abstained due to being absent from the previous meeting. Voting Nay: None.

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

GENERAL		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	27,041.70
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	1,509.90
Applied Connective Tech	Computer Expense	732.80
Berva Arensdorf	Election Board	210.00
Sandra Black	Election Board	42.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Insurance	4,921.56
Billie Burch	Election Board	12.50
CNA Surety	Notary Bond	40.00
Brenda Cochran	Election Board	12.50
Custer Public Power	Utilities	514.43
DAS ST. Accounting	Computer Expense	140.96
Eakes Office Plus	Office Supplies/Equipment	759.89
Consolidated Electrical Dist.	Tower Repair	2,014.34
Great Plains Comm	Phone/Internet	529.04
Great Plains Comm	Emergency Mgmt	57.96
Katherine Hoberg	Mileage	50.00
Ideal Linen	Supplies	227.88
IRS	County Share SS/Med	2,011.26
J13 Enterprises LLC	Budget Prep	1,836.53
Rhonda Kemp	Election Board	52.50
Karen Licking	Election Board	152.50
Lincoln County Treasurer	Extension Contract	1,737.74
Chelsey McNutt	Park Contract	287.50
MIPS	Data Processing/Computer	1,102.47
NACO	Treasurer Workshop	50.00
Neal Oil & Auto	Fuel/Supplies	1,031.10
Linda Paxton	Election Board	227.50
Physicians Lab Svcs	Autopsy Costs	4,942.00
Pamela Schmidt	Election Board	151.25
Whitney Schroeder	Mileage/Training	552.50
Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	180.61
Stapleton Enterprise	Printing/Publishing	153.47
Notary Division	Notary Renewal	30.00
US Bank	Office/Janitor Supplies	440.61
Verizon	County Court Phone	53.81
Viaero	Sheriff Phone	82.12
Village of Stapleton	Trash Disposal	2,520.00
Pauline Waits	Election Board	158.75

ROAD		AMOUNT
Payroll	Wages	12,973.00
Ameritas	County Share Retirement	808.18
Blue Cross Blue Shield	County Share Insurance	2,451.64
Croell Inc.	Gravel	7,756.89
Great Plains Comm	Telephone	105.39
IRS	County Share SS/Med	990.07
JM Parts and Equipment	Repairs	723.49
McPherson Co.		
Inheritance	Reimbursement Payments	5,337.97
Neal Oil	Heating/Fuel/Repairs	7,254.44
North Platte Feed Center	Shop Supplies	85.00
Powerplan	Repairs	647.20
Simon Materials	Gravel/Crush Concrete	14,243.03
T&S Repair	Repairs	4,232.94
TC Engineering	Highway Supt	750.00
GB Auto Svc (T.O.Haas)	Repairs	699.45

FAIR

Ideal Linen	Supplies	74.22
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**SENIOR MEAL
PROGRAM**

Prairie Hills Café	Senior Meals	3,787.80
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There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 1:25 PM to meet again at 9:00 AM on December 19, 2022, for their next regular meeting. This meeting will be held at the McPherson County Courthouse in Tryon and is open to the public.

ATTEST:

Katherine E. Hoben

McPherson County Clerk



Beth Miller

McPherson County Board Chairman

MCPHERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 19, 2022 *CORRECTED*

The McPherson County Board of Commissioners met as per adjournment of an Emergency Meeting which was held December 12, 2022, for their regular monthly meeting. Notice of meeting having been published in the Stapleton Enterprise, issue dated December 8, 2022, and Notice of date change from December 14th to the 19th, which was posted at 3 locations in Tryon, 5 days prior to meeting. The meeting date was changed due to hazardous weather which occurred on December 14, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Nason, who noted the Open Meetings Law, which is posted on the North wall of the meeting room. Members John Bryant, Jeffrey Arensdorf and Brett Nason were present. Also present were the Highway Superintendent Tom Werblow, County Attorney Whitney Schroeder, Road Worker Ed Black, Sheriff and Emergency Manager Tom Burch and County Clerk Kathy Hoberg. Also present was member of the public Dave Hardin, Arthur County Highway Superintendent.

Bryant moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Arensdorf Seconded. Voting Aye: Bryant, Arensdorf and Nason Voting Nay: None.

The claims had been approved at an Emergency Meeting which was held on December 12, 2022. The Commissioners examined and discussed **RESOLUTION # 2022-21** Local Emergency Operations Plan. Arensdorf made a motion to adopt and approve and sign the resolution as presented. Bryant seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Bryant and Nason. Voting Nay: None.

The Commissioners discussed county roads with Ed Black. Ed reports the road crew has been working on snow removal.

The board reviewed a National Functional Classification System Map which was sent to the county by Nebraska DOT. Tom Werblow will examine the map and there will be further discussion at the February Commissioner's meeting.

Chairman Nason signed a road easement received from Colton and Kathleen Craig.

Arensdorf made a motion to approve the Road Plan for December which was presented by Bryant. Nason seconded. Voting Aye: Arensdorf, Nason and Bryant. Voting Nay: None.

There was a Safety Committee Meeting Held. Those present were, Jeff Arensdorf, Brett Nason, John Bryant, Whitney Schroeder, Tom Burch, Ed Black, and Kathy Hoberg. Werblow gave flyers and information on the *Dangers of Cold Wintry Weather*.

The board acknowledged the election of Kerri L. Kramer to the office of McPherson County Treasurer, term to begin January 5, 2023. The commissioners approved a letter giving Kerri L. Kramer authority to administer and be listed as signer on all accounts listed for McPherson County Treasurer as of January 5, 2023.

The board received and examined the Fund Balance Listing for December provided by the Treasurer.

The Village of Stapleton requested approval from the commissioners to place a recycle bin trailer in Tryon. There will be no fee to McPherson County for the trailer. McPherson county will deliver the full bins to North Platte and deliver the paper to Stapleton where it will be baled. The purpose of the recycling program is to cut down on the amount of trash being hauled to the land fill and lowering costs to the counties. Bryant made a motion to try the recycling trailer for a trial period, as long as the trailer is not owned by McPherson County and the county is not responsible for the trailer. The trial period will be six months and will determine whether the public is willing to sort items properly and use the bins as expected.

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

Bryant moved to appoint Berva Arensdorf to the McPherson County Extension Board. Arensdorf will complete the 3-Year Term of April Gaedke who has resigned. The term expires in January 2024.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 AM.

The Board will meet again at 9:00 AM on January 5, 2023, for a Special Meeting. The purpose of the Special Meeting will be to appoint Tom Burch to continue as McPherson County Sheriff until a new Sheriff is appointed. The board will then meet on January 11, 2023, for their annual statutory meeting. These meetings will be held at the McPherson County Courthouse in Tryon and are open to the public.