The meeting of the McCook County Commission was called to order in their Meeting Room by Chairman Sheldon Butzke. Members present: Ralph Dybdahl, Marc Dick, Ron Scharffenberg, Bill Smith.

Chairman Butzke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Butzke called for approval of the Agenda. Motion made by Scharffenberg to approve the Agenda. Second Dybdahl and motion carried.

The minutes from the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting were sent to Board members for review prior to publication. Chairman Butzke called for approval of same. Motion made by Dick to approve the minutes for publication. Second Smith and motion carried.

Hwy Supt, Mic Kreutzfeldt, and Commission again discussed the STP funding exchange. Motion made by Dick to request to participate in the program allowing South Dakota counties to exchange their 2012 federal STP allocation for state funds at the 2012 dollar amount to be determined. Second Dybdahl and motion carried. Kreutzfeldt reported that renewal of spray applicator licenses has been completed and that the SD Dept of Ag stated that fall spraying hasn't proved to be as effective as once thought and recommends early summer application to right of ways. Due to crop concerns county spraying will take place in late May and September. Kreutzfeldt presented a utility permit for approval. Motion made by Dick to approve Electric Utility Permit for Southeastern Electric Coop. Scope of project: from SD38 going N on 432 Ave to 248 St. Second Scharffenberg and motion carried. Kreutzfeldt noted that the Lehrman Lake grant project is still in FEMA review awaiting a Hydrological & Hydraulic study; Clark Engineering is to submit a proposal and Kreutzfeldt has applied for a separate grant for the study. Kreutzfeldt asked if he should start bid process for closing this channel. Yes. Kreutzfeldt informed the Board that the proposed Federal Hwy Transportation bill has serious cuts to South Dakota and will do away with mandatory funding for Off-System (county & township) bridges and county roads. Auditor Sherman presented a request from an insurance claimant that the county reimburse him for a windshield repair; this claim was denied by Claims Associates because there was no negligence or legal liability on the part of the county. The Board stands by their previous decision to not intervene in claims handling.

Motion made by Scharffenberg to convene as Drainage Commission. Second Dick and motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. a drainage hearing was held as advertised. Drainage Adm Kreutzfeldt presented information for Permit D12-001, applicant Randall Bunger. Project description: spot tile approximately 20 acres, 6" mains and 4" laterals in SE4 4-102-56. Randall Bunger was present. Letters were received from US Dept of Interior Fish & Wildlife Service and James Taylor, Attorney, representing June Danforth Downs and Carol Danforth Williams. Following discussion and review of maps, Bunger agreed to place shut off valves at each outlet end. Motion made by Dick to approve the drainage permit application D12-001 noting the following conditions: two (2) control valves, one at main end at SW corner of parcel and one on main from eastern portion of parcel before it ties in with main on western portion of parcel. Second Scharffenberg and motion carried.

Drainage Adm Kreutzfeldt presented the following drainage permit application, noting that downstream landowner signatures have been obtained and he has signed off of on it: Permit D11-070 Steve Gordon, land to be drained SW4 13-103-53.

The Board reconvened as Board of County Commissioners.

Doug Tonnemacher, District Manager Pictometry, met with the Commission to discuss agreement details and review services offered. Mic Kreutzfeldt, Hwy Supt/Drainage Adm, Brad Stiefvater, EDS Director, and Tracy Hofer, Dir of Equalization/P & Z Adm, were present. Following discussion, motion was made by Dybdahl to authorize Chairman Butzke to sign the 2012 Agreement indicating project cost of \$49,904 and the Change Finder Agreement at cost of \$2233 noting that an addendum for the project discount will be forthcoming. The discount is offered because the City of Sioux Falls will also be working with Pictometry. Second Scharffenberg. Ayes: Dybdahl, Scharffenberg, Smith. Nays: Dick. Motion carried.

Alicia Reif, 4-H Youth Advisor, informed the Board that McCook Central FFA Chapter has invited her to attend the National Land Judging to be held in Oklahoma and asked if this was okay with them. Yes. Reif noted that she will be attending Exploratory Day in Mitchell on February 21<sup>st</sup>. The language within the Memorandum of Understanding with SDSU Extension regarding the Advisory Committee was discussed; memorandum not signed. Keith Aden, Veterans Service Officer, and the Commission discussed the purchase of 8x12 inch cotton US flags for the cemetery grave markers for Veterans gravesites. These flags will be purchased with county funds.

Laurie Schwans, Register of Deeds, met with the Commission to discuss ownership of property located in Bridgewater. Auditor Sherman noted that Christie Duerksen has inquired about property boundary lines regarding county owned property abutting her property. Schwans and Sherman also discussed this with States Attorney Gerlach. Scharffenberg will check the site and report to the Board at their next meeting.

Auditor Sherman and the Commissioners reviewed Care of Poor cases. Sherman noted requests for assistance with the installation of a septic system and transportation to doctor appointments with both being referred to other sources. Tammy with Mitchell Housing called again to verify that they won't be able to work with McCook County at this time; facing Federal budget cuts and hoping to work with Davison County. Burial for indigent county resident was approved. A request to forgive a lien filed against a juvenile for a court appt attorney was denied; Auditor Sherman will contact the family's case manager. An individual whose account was turned over for collection has offered to pay \$3000 as payment in full for a care of poor lien, asking that an estimated \$900 be forgiven. The request was denied; Auditor Sherman will contact Noll Collection Service. Lien payments received the month of January were reviewed. Auditor Sherman was instructed to turn more of the lien accounts over to Noll Collection Service.

Motion made by Dybdahl to approve Application for Abatement 2012-02, Robert & Rosella Loon, amount of abatement \$320.76. Reason for abatement: elderly assessment freeze should have been applied to parcel 20.04.1701 for 2011, pay 2012. Second Dick and motion carried.

The following building permits were approved the month of January:

2011-89	Barney & Gail Roling	65x150x24 open front cattle barn	SW4 Ex Lot H-2 Rd ROW &
Ex N269' of W809'			
2012-01	Lyle Antrim (Verizon)	update existing tower	25-103-55 NW4 Ex NW4NW4NW4 11-
102-53 2012-02 of S425' of S	Leroy Newman	40x40x10 pole bldg on existing fnd	W768' of E1091' of N350'
01 5425 01 5			15-101-56

The January Clerk of Courts Report was noted & filed.

The January Law Enforcement Report was noted & filed.

Motion made by Smith to declare 2007 Ford Explorer XLT as surplus property because it is a trade-in towards purchase of another vehicle. Second Dybdahl and motion carried.

Motion made by Dybdahl, second Scharffenberg, and carried, to pay claims: GENERAL FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 02/05/12: Commissioners 1269.25, mileage 62.90; Auditor 2486.65; Treasurer 2874.63; States Attorney 2280.80; Custodian 1023.65; Dir of Equalization 2811.91; Register of Deeds 2486.65; Veterans Service Officer 320.32; Sheriff 5356.20; Contract Law 3796.14; Care of Poor 115.38; Community Health Nurse Secretary 1083.92; Weed Dept 461.20, mileage 10.35; Drainage 307.69; Planning & Zoning 192.31; Dir of IRS, county share of FICA 1496.57, Medicare 350.00; SD Retirement System, county share of retirement contribution, 1650.35; Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield, county share of health insurance premium, 7329.82. CR Case 10-70, witness fee, 20.00; A & B Business, copier contract, 32.07; Anderson Publications, drainage hearing notice, 28.01; Auto Body Specialties, glass, 57.00; AutoEx, auto service & supplies, 2311.33; Avera Queen of Peace Health Services, prisoner care, 194.65; Business Products, copier contract, 211.60, office supplies, 420.85; Card Service Center, tool boxes, 139.88; City of Bridgewater, February ambulance appropriation, 2382.50; Denise Cody, mental illness hearing, 15.00; Kathy Deters, services - drawing blood, 100.00; Donna Dietrich, 2 mental illness hearings, 207.38; Dust-Tex Service, dust mop rental, 26.42; Fink Law Office, court appt atty for juvenile, 36.33, for Diana Masterson, 236.32; Roger Gerlach, January expenses, 592.92; Heritage Funeral Home, care of poor – burial, 2000.00; Hillyard/Sioux Falls, janitorial supplies, 276.25; Louise Hohn, office clock, 4.21; Inter-Lakes Community Action, February CSW funds, 582.59; Joan Kittelson, mental illness hearing, 15.00: Dave Knoff, mental illness hearing, 45.00: Larry's Food & Auto, labor & supplies, 307.11; Jim Lentsch, February food pantry rent, 175.00; Lincoln County Treasurer, reimburse mental illness expenses, 40.12; McCook County EMS, February ambulance appropriation, 5909.28; McCook County Publishers, publishing, 792.31; McCook County Treasurer, postage/titles, 1005.13; McCormick Motors, auto service, 295.69; MES Companies, parts & labor, 53.00; Microfilm Imaging System, scanning equipment rent, 305.00; Mid-American Research Chemical, janitorial supplies, 107.63; MidAmerican Energy, utilities, 800.95; Gary Mikelson, mental illness hearing, 45.00; Minnehaha County Auditor, evaluation reimbursement, 90.00;

Office Depot, wall sign, 20.99; Barbara Palmer, mental illness evaluation, 90.00; Peterson Repair, auto service, 25.95; Postmaster, postage – assessment notices, 1350.00; R & S Sanitation, garbage service, 39.76; Record Keepers Inc, vault box storage, 19.25; Cathy Rehfuss, mental illness hearing, 15.00; Alicia Reif, January mileage, 35.15; Salem City, utilities, 65.50; Salem Community Drug, office supplies, 34.55, care of poor, 84.80; Salem Sales, law enf auto fuel, 1794.86; Sanford Medical Center, blood alcohol services, 87.00; SD Achieve, services for 5 residents, 300.00; SDACC, catastrophic poor assessment, 4220.00; SDSU Extension, 1<sup>st</sup> qtr 2012 appropriation, 6300.00; Shepherd Reporting, court reporting, 25.00; Southeastern Behavioral, 1<sup>st</sup> qtr allotment, 1404.50; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, law enf supplies, 134.54; Karen Swanda, mental illness hearing, 15.00; T & C's Pit Stop, law enf auto fuel, 720.52; Total Stop Food Store, law enf auto fuel, 1097.07; Triotel Communications, telephone & internet service, 1014.66; US Postal Service, stamped envelopes, 519.90; Michael Unke, court appt atty for Trevor Allen, 173.64, for Joseph Ross, 243.72; Verizon Wireless, cell phone service, 83.39, internet modem service, 273.54; Xcel Energy, utilities, 687.11; Zapp Hardware, totes, 71.98, envelopes, 3.57.

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 02/05/12: Hwy Dept 14546.67; Dir of IRS, county share of FICA 804.26, Medicare 188.10; SD Retirement System, county share of retirement contribution, 872.82; Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield, county share of health insurance premium, 3228.30. Boyer Trucks, truck parts, 340.52; Card Service Center, office supplies, 167.96; Central Farmers Cooperative, fuel hose & swivel, 62.00; Cummins Central Power, truck parts, 96.43; Gessner Welding & Repair, parts & labor, 158.85; McCook County Treasurer, postage/title, 14.00; McCormick Motors, parts, 89.69; MidAmerican Energy, utilities, 525.17; Northern Truck Equipment, dump body work, 4214.74; Puthoff Repair, supplies, 130.53; R & S Sanitation, garbage service, 39.76; Salem City, utilities, 58.40; Salem Lumber, utility knife blades, 13.45; SDACHS, Short Course registration, 80.00; Southeastern Electric, utilities, 18.00; Spencer Quarries, rock, 4783.40; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, supplies, 326.16; Triotel Communications, telephone & internet service, 109.30; Vulcan Inc, sign decals, 700.00; Xcel Energy, utilities, 73.55; Zapp Hardware, supplies & labor, 268.05.

911 EMERGENCY REPORTING SYSTEM FUND: Bridgewater/Canistota Independent Telephone, E911 billing system, 371.72; Brad Stiefvater, January expenses, 23.68; Triotel Communications, 911 telephone service, 209.20

EMERGENCY & DISASTER SERVICES FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 02/05/12: EDS Director 1144.15; Dir of IRS, county share of FICA 60.63, Medicare 14.18; SD Retirement System, county share of retirement contribution, 68.65; Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield, county share of health insurance premium, 306.39. Card Service Center, software & camera, 284.57; Brad Stiefvater, January expenses, 404.05; Tri-State EMA, 2012 membership dues, 10.00; Triotel Communications, internet service, 25.00; Verizon Wireless, internet modem service, 45.59.

24/7 SOBRIETY FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 02/05/12: Sheriff Secretary/Dispatcher 96.15; Dir of IRS, county share of FICA 5.56, Medicare 1.30; SD Retirement System, county share of retirement contribution, 5.77; Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield, county share of health insurance premium, 32.76.

The Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer for the month of January, 2012: deposits in banks, \$1,510,501.21; cash to deposit, \$1,214.89; checks to deposit, \$11,519.73; Cash Items (postage & title work) \$1,019.13; Treasurer's Cash, \$650.87; Register of Deeds, \$450.00; Sheriff, \$500.00; Passbook Savings, \$21,084.30; CD's, \$800,000.00. The total deposits on hand: \$2,347,010.69.

The meeting adjourned subject to call.

Dated this 7<sup>h</sup> day of February, 2012.

Sheldon Butzke

Chairman, McCook County

Commission

ATTEST:

Geralyn Sherman \_\_\_\_\_ Auditor, McCook County