

July 19, 2016

A Special Meeting of the McCook County Commission was called to order in their Meeting Room by Chairman Ron Scharffenberg. Members present: Marc Dick, Ralph Dybdahl, Sheldon Butzke and Steve Gordon.

Chairman Scharffenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Department heads met with the Commissioners for initial review of the 2017 budget requests.

Mic Kreutzfeldt, Hwy Supt, and Gary Parry, Weed Supervisor, met with Board to review Weed budget.

Mic Kreutzfeldt, Hwy Supt/Drainage Adm, met with the Board to review Hwy Road & Bridge and Drainage budgets.

Mark Norris, Sheriff, and the Board reviewed the Sheriff, Jail and Contract Law Enforcement budgets. Much discussion was held regarding number of FT and PT Deputies. The Board doesn't feel there is a need for a PT deputy and that Courtroom Security can be handled by rotation of the FT Officers, as discussed when approval was given for hiring a 6<sup>th</sup> Deputy. Also discussed were the "non-emergency" calls received from Mitchell Dispatch sending McCook Deputies to I-90; why aren't these calls being handled by SDDOT and SD Hwy Patrol. Calls include debris on road, someone is driving too slowly, and I have a flat tire. These calls take McCook County Law Enforcement away from County duties to answer calls that shouldn't be dispatched here to begin with. Norris stated that this can be discussed with EDS Director, Brad

Stiefvater, as he deals with Mitchell Regional 911 Center who does the dispatching for McCook County.

Fred Butzke and Linda Neve, McCook County Soil Conservation Service, presented a 2017 budget request of \$20,000. Services of the Conservation District were reviewed along with expenditures and revenues.

Geralyn Sherman, Auditor/Welfare Director, reviewed the Auditor and Care of Poor budgets with the Commission.

Laurie Schwans, Register of Deeds, reviewed the Register of Deeds and Modernization & Preservation budgets with the Board.

Carol Lauer, Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer's budget with the Board.

Brad Stiefvater, EDS Director, reviewed the Emergency & Disaster Service and 911 budgets with the Board. Mark Norris, Sheriff, joined the meeting to continue discussion regarding 911 calls for I-90 being dispatched to McCook County and no other agencies. There is growing concern regarding the public and the stupid calls that are made to 911. Stiefvater noted that in one month of tracking, 57% of calls dispatched to McCook County Law Enforcement were to I-90 and 90% were non-emergency. The Commissioners asked Stiefvater to set up a meeting between them, Mitchell Dispatch and SD Hwy Patrol. The situation is only going to get worse and they want it addressed.

Tracy Hofer, Dir of Equalization/Zoning Administrator, reviewed Director of Equalization, Planning & Zoning and GIS budgets with the Commission. Discussed flyover of County scheduled for 2017.

Brad Stiefvater, Jr, McCook EMS, presented the budget request for 2017 to the Commission; a 3% increase. Stiefvater also presented the Board with 13 bills dated in

2015, requesting that the County pay these through Care of Poor budget because they aren't being paid by patients and these are probably individuals applying for county assistance, also. Dick noted that a sizable amount is already appropriated for the ambulance service and CPI is zero percent this year, not 3%. The Board will discuss request with States Attorney, Mike Fink.

The meeting adjourned subject to call.

Dated this 19<sup>h</sup> day of July, 2016.

Ronald Scharffenberg

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Commission

Chairman, McCook County

ATTEST:

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