

**PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR  
McLEAN COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA  
Calendar Year Beginning January 1, 2020**

**TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
McLEAN COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA**

I, Beth A. Knutson, duly appointed and qualified auditor of McLean County, North Dakota, do hereby respectfully submit to the Board of Commissioners the proposed annual General Fund Budget for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 2020. This budget carries the appropriation requests for the several offices, departments, agencies, institutions, and undertakings supported wholly or in part by McLean County as submitted by officials and department heads. It has been reviewed by the county auditor and is being presented to you, as the Board of Commissioners, for review and adjustment, if necessary. The appropriations have been deemed necessary by the officials and department heads, who request your approval of the same for the proper maintenance of the respective operations during calendar year 2020.

**TO THE TAXPAYERS OF McLEAN COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA:**

We, the Board of commissioners of McLean County, North Dakota, hereby give notice that we will examine and review the several budget requests filed by various county officials, departments, agencies, institutions, and undertakings for calendar year 2020 and upon review and public hearing, will adopt a final budget for calendar year 2020. Said budget may include changes as deemed necessary and appropriate by this board following its review and public hearing on the following budget:

**PROPOSED BUDGET - 2020  
McLEAN COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA**

<b>Department of Activity</b>	<b>2020 Requested</b>		<b>2019 Approved</b>
County Commission	\$ 61,976.55	+	\$ 61,836.90
Clerk of District Court	\$ 159,546.36	+	\$ 123,773.39
Juvenile Court	\$ 2,000.00	+	\$ 2,000.00
Auditor	\$ 197,341.78	+	\$ 210,180.64
State's Attorney	\$ 190,251.61	+	\$ 181,245.80
Tax Director/Land Use	\$ 205,808.21	+	\$ 159,135.41
Recorder	\$ 138,698.10	+	\$ 135,634.94
Computer Operations	\$ 170,132.96	+	\$ 176,027.91
GIS Implementation	\$ -	+	\$ 2,500.00
Buildings & Grounds	\$ 278,721.23	+	\$ 255,804.45
Election Expenses	\$ 80,000.00	+	\$ 12,000.00
Non-Departmental Expenses	\$ 246,000.00	+	\$ 225,000.00
Employee Benefits	\$ 1,940,938.71	+	\$ 1,800,300.00
Utilities	\$ 162,000.00	+	\$ 147,000.00
Employee Risk Mgmt Program	\$ 5,900.00	+	\$ 5,200.00
Dues/Membership	\$ 33,001.00	+	\$ 28,711.79
Communications	\$ 9,000.00	+	\$ 9,000.00
Motor Pool	\$ 8,800.00	+	\$ 8,000.00
Flexible Benefits-Medical & Child Care	\$ 2,310.00	+	\$ 1,980.00
Advertising/Tourism	\$ -	+	\$ -

Loan Repayment	\$ 138,582.14	+	\$ 138,600.23
McLean County Park Board	\$ 65,564.06	+	\$ 68,865.95
McLean County Fair Board	\$ 82,000.00	+	\$ 80,000.00
Emergency Fund	\$ -	-	\$ 285,000.00
Special Assessments	\$ -	-	\$ 28,744.54
Parole & Probation	\$ 4,080.00	+	\$ 4,080.00
Job Promotions	\$ 1,600.00	0	\$ 1,600.00
Veteran's Service Officer	\$ 26,127.53	+	\$ 25,043.57
E-911 Coordinator	\$ 264,111.71	-	\$ 177,421.50
Senior Citizens	\$ 193,554.66	-	\$ 239,517.25
McLean/Mercer Regional Library	\$ 225,521.85	-	\$ 160,000.00
1st District Health Unit	\$ 191,245.00	-	\$ 183,469.00
McLean County Historical Society	\$ 44,600.00	-	\$ 37,750.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,129,413.46</b>		<b>\$ 4,975,423.27</b>

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Sheriff	\$ 2,682,996.49	+	\$ 2,654,229.69
Sheriff's Vehicles	\$ 179,000.00	+	\$ 164,000.00
McLean County Coroner	\$ 28,500.00	+	\$ 28,500.00
Disaster Emergency Services	\$ 74,292.75	0	\$ 49,414.01
Vehicle Impound & Towing	\$ 6,000.00	-	\$ 6,000.00
McLean County Rescue Boat	\$ 4,500.00	0	\$ 700.00
School Resource Officer	\$ 84,944.32	+	\$ -
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>\$ 3,060,233.56</b>		<b>\$ 2,902,843.70</b>

**CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT**

Extension Agent	\$ 101,725.83	+	\$ 109,173.37
Weed Control Board	\$ 160,250.00	-	\$ 157,250.00
Water Resource Board	\$ 158,000.00	-	\$ 151,700.00
Soil Conservation	\$ 202,443.32	-	\$ 122,850.96
<b>TOTAL CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>\$ 622,419.15</b>		<b>\$ 540,974.33</b>

**HIGHWAY OPERATING**

Highway Administration	\$ 168,443.34		\$ 164,106.98
Highway Equipment Expense	\$ 1,412,855.62		\$ 1,108,000.00
Highway Maintenance Shops-Washburn/Garrison	\$ 22,000.00		\$ 22,000.00
Highway Maintenance Sheds	\$ 10,000.00		\$ 2,500.00
Highway Construction/Maintenance	\$ 2,264,061.97		\$ 2,256,500.00
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY OPERATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 3,877,360.93</b>		<b>\$ 3,553,106.98</b>

**FARM-TO-MARKET ROAD**

Engineering	\$ 50,000.00		\$ 100,000.00
Construction	\$ 500,000.00		\$ 750,000.00
<b>TOTAL FARM TO MARKET ROAD</b>	<b>\$ 550,000.00</b>		<b>\$ 850,000.00</b>

<b>EDUCATION</b>			
Superintendent of Schools	\$	5,802.90	+ \$ 4,792.80
<b>TOTAL EDUCATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,802.90</b>	<b>\$ 4,792.80</b>
<b>CHARITIES &amp; RELIEF</b>			
Social Services Indirect Costs	\$	-	\$ -
Emergency	\$	-	\$ -
Human Services(County Poor) Fund	\$	-	\$ -
<b>TOTAL CHARITIES &amp; RELIEF</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL REQUESTS-ALL DEPARTMENTS</b>		<b>\$ 13,245,230.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,827,141.08</b>

Further notice is given that the Board of Commissioners, McLean County, North Dakota, will meet in the Commission Room in the McLean County Courthouse, City of Washburn, North Dakota, from 11:00 A.M. until such time as all interested persons have been heard, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019, for the purpose of hearing any taxpayer who shall appear in favor of or opposition to any proposed expenditures or tax levy, and at the conclusion of hearing of such testimony, the Board of Commissioners, McLean County, North Dakota, will itself make a final review of the above proposed 2020 calendar year budget and shall make all necessary changes prior to final adoption of said budget.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019, at Washburn, ND.

Beth A. Knutson  
McLean County Auditor