

DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING

November 7, 2017

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT the Board of County Commissioners met at the Douglas County Courthouse in Armour, SD at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. S. Lau, I. Lau, Maas, Star and Muntefering were present. Also present were Auditor Barker, Kendra Rolston representing Douglas County Publishing. Students from the Netherland Dutch Christian Reformed School in Mr. Vandenberg's high school Government class were also in attendance. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Muntefering. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A motion was made by Star, seconded by Maas, to adopt the agenda. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by I. Lau and seconded by S. Lau to approve the minutes from the October 10th and 24th meetings. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Joel Meyer, Highway Superintendent, updated the board on his department. Commissioner Star stated that he looked at the wheel packer and feels it is beyond repair.

A motion was made by S. Lau and seconded by Star to surplus the T11 Wheel Packer to be sold. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

The proposed office expansion was discussed. A motion was made by S. Lau and seconded by Star to rescind the motion to build the office expansion, but to continue with the siding project and accept the quote from Groeneweg Construction to complete the project. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

A motion was made by Star and seconded by Maas to accept the Quote from Groeneweg Construction for the residing of the Armour highway shop building at a total cost of \$42,641.69. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by S. Lau to approve of the city and township rental rates for 2018. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried. A list of these rates is available in the Highway office and will be published annually in the first meeting minutes of each year.

LIQUOR LICENSE

Auditor Barker presented the 2018 Liquor License Renewal Application for Dakota Trails Golf Course Inc. A motion was made by S. Lau and seconded by Star authorizing the chairman to sign the 2018 Liquor License renewal application. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

HOLIDAY HOURS

An email from the Governor was read regarding holiday leave. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Maas to follow the state and grant holiday leave for county employees on November 23rd and 24th in observation of Thanksgiving and also on December 25th and 26th for Christmas. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

The insurance renewal options for the county were discussed. Joel Meyer, Travis Schacht, Steve

Harrington, Terry VanZee, John Parker, Julie Brenner and Kim Huebner were all present for the discussion. A motion was made by S. Lau and seconded by Star to offer the BlueSimplicity PPO Silver plan and the Complete Blue 2800 PPO Silver plan to the employees in 2018. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

LONGEVITY POLICY

A longevity procedure policy was presented to the board for clarification. Some discussion was held. A motion was made by Star and seconded by S. Lau to adopt the longevity procedure policy. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

WEED AND PEST

Annie Rankin, Weed and Pest Secretary, met with the board on behalf of the Weed and Pest Board to ask for approval to apply for weed and pest grants. The board approved of this with no action required at this time.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Karl Fink, Douglas County Resident, met with the board to discuss his proposed changes to the Planning and Zoning Ordinance. The States Attorney and Zoning Administrator were also present. Discussion was held. No action was necessary.

Jessica van Wyk, Planning and Zoning Administrator, met with the board to update them on the status of the Planning and Zoning ordinances. The Planning and Zoning Board has recommended the proposed changes to the County Commissioners for their review. Discussion was held.

A motion was made by Star seconded by Maas to require confinement barns with powered ventilation systems to have a double row of trees on two sides of the barn. After discussion, Chairmen Muntefering tabled the motion to wait for guidance from Brian McGinnis of District III. After further discussion, Star withdrew the motion.

Chuck Greenway, County Resident, met with the Board as scheduled, to discuss the Planning and Zoning Ordinance. Also present for this discussion were the following Douglas County Residents: Jeff Grosz, Steve Peters, Seth Peters, Cody Schelling, Gary Laib, Brett Kaufman, Red Sparks, and Dan Ymker. Greenway would like to see the setback moved from 2 miles down to one mile from the city limits. No action was taken at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:09 a.m. a motion was made by Star and seconded by Maas to enter into executive session at the request of States Attorney Parkhurst to discuss a legal matter with the board. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried. At 11:20 a.m. Chairman Muntefering declared the meeting back to open session with no action taken.

At 12:10 p.m. a motion was made by S. Lau and seconded by Star to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried. At 12:21 p.m. Chairman Muntefering declared the meeting back to open session with no action taken.

CLAIMS

The following claims were approved for payment:

September payroll: Commissioners 3328.16 Auditor 6937.79 Auditor/Welfare: 155.99 Treasurer 6962.17 States Attorney 4201.93 Courthouse Janitor 4385.95 Equalization 6097.89 Register of Deeds 3482.64 Veterans Service Officer 779.90 Sheriff 16,001.73 Coroner 0.00 Ambulance 2300.77 Park 0.00 Fair Board 0.00 Extension 1424.25 Weed and Pest 693.98 Planning & Zoning 966.80 Lincoln Life Insurance 1,009.77.

GENERAL FUND:

Agland Coop 891.53 fuel; Armour Chronicle 476.48 publishing; Armour Lumber Company 261.04 repairs; Armour City 107.75 utilities; Avera McKennan Hospital 2800.00 mental health; Buhl's Dry Cleaning 138.25 maint; Community Health Services 1966.21; Corsica Globe 495.69 publishing; Darrington Water 35.70 supplies; Delmont Record 298.90 publishing; First Security Finance 4630.61 debt services; Goldenwest 807.74 utilities; H&H Electric 87.53 repairs; Krull's Market 3.39 supplies; Lincoln County 54.15 mental illness; Mid-American Research Chemical 132.53 supplies; Office Products Center 720.88 supplies; Ramkota Hotel Pierre 465.00 conference; Randall Community Water Dist. 83.30 utilities; Steve Johnson 250.00 park maint; Vogt's Repair 327.45 repairs; Voyager Fleet 1353.36 fuel; Wilson's True Value 42.46 supplies; Xpress Mart 113.34 supplies.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND:

September payroll: 18,179.56; Agland Coop 4536.33 fuel/repairs; Armour City 42.00 utilities; Best Western Ramkota 171.98 conference; Corsica Hardware 33.14 repairs; Goldenwest 107.99 utilities; Myerink Farm Services 124.35 repairs; North American Truck & Trailer 10,059.00 equip.; Northwestern Energy 10.16 utilities; Noteboom Implement 38.10 repairs; SD Dept of Transportation 1012.56 prof. fees; Sheehan Mack Sales 463.36 filters; Terry VanZee 300.00 clothing allowance; Vogt's Repair 131.99 repairs; Voyager Fleet 278.71 fuel.

E-911 FUND:

September payroll: 26.09; Goldenwest 436.56 E911 System; Midstate Communications 440.11

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

September payroll: 1417.54; Goldenwest 16.00 utilities; Pat Harrington 402.77 supply reimbursement.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:30 p.m., a motion was made by S. Lau seconded by Star to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday November 21, 2017. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Floyd Muntefering, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: _____
Phyllis Barker, Auditor

