

DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
JANUARY 22, 2019

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Douglas County Courthouse in Armour, SD at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2019. Members present were Marlin Maas, Jerod Star, Steve Lau, Ivan Lau and Tim Goldammer. Also present were Auditor Barker and Jennifer Kellogg, representing Douglas County Publishing. Chairman S. Lau called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Goldammer to adopt the amended agenda. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jessica van Wyk, Interim Highway Secretary and Bob Reinfeld, Interim Superintendent, met with the Board to update them on the Highway Department. van Wyk briefed the Board on the office. She received a short training for the computer software from Connecting Point and is now entering prior information into the system. Reinfeld spoke in regards to the five year plan and the upcoming bids. The possibility of placing a two-inch mat, as opposed to a one-inch as budgeted, on 273<sup>rd</sup> from Harrison east to Mt. Vernon Rd. (273<sup>rd</sup> ST.) was discussed. Reinfeld will work on getting a quote or estimate for the next meeting. No action was taken at this time.

van Wyk presented a letter regarding Weight Limits that needs to be sent to the State annually in January, therefore a motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Maas authorizing Chairman Lau to sign the Request of Assistance on Weight Limit Enforcement. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

A motion was made by Star and seconded by Maas to introduce the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #2019-01  
A RESOLUTION OF WEIGHT LIMIT ENFORCEMENTS ON  
DOUGLAS COUNTY HIGHWAYS

WHEREAS, Seasonal climatic changes can be detrimental to our highways, and State Laws SDCL 32-14-6 gives the county the authority to prohibit the operation of vehicles or restrict weight of vehicles upon any highway under its jurisdiction, by reason of deterioration of physical condition, rain, snow, or other climatic conditions will seriously damage or destroy unless the use of vehicles on the highway is prohibited or the permissible weights of the vehicles are reduced; and

WHEREAS, by State Law SDCL 32-22-24, Spring Load limits may be put on as early as February 26 and may stay on through May 15. Time of implementation and removal is dependent on weather and road conditions. Limits become effective when the signs are installed and displayed and are no longer enforceable when they are removed; and

WHEREAS, the tax payers bear the burden of the costs of road repair;

WHEREAS, the Board of Douglas County Commissioners, desires the enforcement of weight limitation of Douglas County Roads as set forth and posted by the Douglas County Highway Superintendent.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The limits on Douglas County Highway shall be set as seven (7) ton per axle, on designated roads with the exception of 402<sup>nd</sup> Ave. from Highway 44 North to county line which will be posted at 80,000 GVW and 7 tons per axle during spring thaw period and when signs are in place; and 284<sup>TH</sup> ST from HWY 281 to 401<sup>st</sup> AVE is posted NO THRU TRUCKS-26,000 LBS GVW & 40mph for trucks year round and 7 ton per axle and 26,000 LBS GVW during spring thaw period and when signs are in place.

That the South Dakota Highway Patrol is hereby authorized and requested to enforce weight limitations on Douglas County Roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the penalty for the violation of the load restrictions shall be as set forth in SDCL 32-22-55.

A roll call vote was taken with the following votes recorded. Voting "Aye": I. Lau, Maas, Star, Goldammer and S. Lau. Voting Nay: none. Motion carried.

Dated this 22<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2019.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Lau, Chairperson  
Douglas County Commission

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phyllis Barker, County Auditor

#### DRAINAGE BOARD

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Star to recess as a Board of County Commissioner and convene as a Drainage Board. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

As advertised, the Drainage board met to review a permit submitted by Shannon Klumb for the purpose of installing underground drain tiling in the NW ¼ of Section 1, East Choteau Township, Douglas County, SD. No one from the public was present in opposition. The applicant was also unable to attend.

A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to table the permit until more information can be gathered and the applicant can attend to explain the project. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

The Board recessed as a Drainage Board and reconvened as a Board of Commissioners as declared by Chairman Lau.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Star authorizing the payout of Kim Huebner's Vacation/Sick Leave benefits due to her status changing to an Elected Official. All member voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

The Auditor explained that there have been numerous issues with the paper publishing proceedings and notices that are different then what was sent to them. She stated that although she realizes that mistakes happen, it should not be at the cost of the taxpayers to re-publish, in order to maintain an accurate public record. The Commission asked that States Attorney write a letter to the

paper asking that due to a number of errors, they republish the previous meeting minutes, in their entirety, at no cost to the taxpayers.

Commissioner I. Lau presented an idea to the Board in regards to the Weather Policy. I. Lau would like to see the Courthouse Close when the school is closed.

A motion was made by I. Lau to follow the Armour School District for weather closings. In these instances, the county employee's vacation days will not be effected. A sign will be posted on the Courthouse door with emergency contact information. Motion died for a lack of second.

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Star authorizing the Auditor to purchase a computer from Connecting Point. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from the SD DOT was reviewed with no action taken.

The Game Fish and Parks Annual Report was reviewed with no action needed.

#### AUDITORS ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER: DECEMBER, 2018

Checking Accounts .....	\$2004.12
Cash on Hand.....	\$500.00
Petty Cash.....	\$400.00
Un-deposited receipts.....	\$66,088.66
Savings Accounts.....	\$2,925,000.00
-First State Bank- Armour	
Certificate of Deposits .....	\$400,000.00
Total .....	\$3,393,992.78

#### FUND BALANCE

General Fund .....	\$2,626,499.71
Special Revenue Funds .....	\$574,086.16
Trust and Agency Funds .....	\$193,406.91
Total .....	\$3,393,992.78

#### CLAIMS

The following claims were approved for payment:

#### GENERAL FUND:

December 2018 Payroll: Commissioners 3393.81 Auditor 7416.25 Treasurer 7820.33 States Attorney 4722.86 Courthouse Janitor 4956.13 Equalization 6517.05 Register of Deeds 6649.13 Veterans Service Officer 794.91 Sheriff 16069.18 Coroner 0.00 E911: 26.66 Welfare Director: 156.51 Ambulance 2637.67 Museum 0.00 Park 0.00 Fair Board 151.00 4-H 2148.75 Weed and Pest 594.02 Planning and Zoning 450.52. Standard Life Insurance 488.02;

Agland Coop 386.73 fuel; Armour City 118.70 utilities; B&L Communications 43.00 repairs; Blue 360 Media 156.24 supplies; Buhl's Dry Cleaners 123.00 maint; Charles Mix County Jail 1500.00 jail fees; Community Health Services 2025.20 prof fees; Darcy Lockwood 15.00 prof fee; Darrington Water 110.50 maint; Davison Co. Sheriff's Office 665.00 jail fees; DCMH 50.00 prof fees; Dean Schaefer Court Reporting 60.00 prof fees; Douglas County Electric 351.40 utilities; Election Systems Software 506.00 elections; First District Association 5000.00 GIS dues; First Security Finance 9261.22 prof fees; Galls LLC. 617.36 repairs; Keith Geohring 1171.13 CAA fees; Goldenwest 816.04 utilities; Johnson Controls 149.51 repairs; Mark Katterhagen 15.00 prof fees; Kennedy Pier and Loftus 454.80 prof. fees; Kone Inc. 684.36 repairs; Krull's Market 49.00 supplies; Fred Kuil 91.98 travel; Steve Lau 79.80 travel; Lewis and

Clark BHS 165.00 prof fees; Lucy Lewno 166.74 prof fees; Light and Siren 4803.35 minor equip.; Marlin Maas 79.80 travel; McLeod's Office Supply 160.96 supplies; Craig Parkhurst 1560.36 pro. fees/ supplies/ utilities; Paul Bachand 680.00 dues; Planning and Dev. District III 1707.00 dues; Prairie Pharmacy 39.84 jail meds; Randall Comm. Water 58.00 utilities; SD Dept. of Transportation 7115.00 striping; SDAAO 75.00 dues; SDACC 1400.00 dues; SD Assn. of County Officials 735.14 dues; State 4-H Office 116.00 supplies; Select Service Center 64.05 repairs; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society 400.00 prof fees; Jerod Star 234.36 travel; State of SD 34.75 utilities; Thompson rheuters 299.34 law library; Verizon Wireless 50.00 prof fees; Vogt's Repair 242.83 repairs; Voyager Fleet 1083.25 fuel; Wilson's True Value 98.90 supplies; Nathan Wunder 102.04 repairs; Yankton Sheriff's Office 50.00 prof. fees.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE**

December 2018 payroll: 23,997.83; Agland Coop 1001.00 fuel; Armour City 49.00 utilities; C&B Operations 1151.78 repairs; Goldenwest 111.03 utilities; Vogt's Repair 301.33 repairs; Voyager Fleet 400.03 fuel; Wek Weld 22.00 supplies; Wilson's True Value 29.94 supplies.

**E911 System:**

Goldenwest 436.56 Prof fees.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

December 2018 payroll 1444.99; Agland Coop 153.11 fuel; Goldenwest 16.00 utilities; Pat Harrington 60.64 travel; Wilson's True Value 17.99 supplies.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:45 a.m. a motion was made by Maas seconded by Star to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday February 5, 2019. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Lau, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phyllis Barker, Auditor