

Douglas County Commissioners
July 16, 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 July 16, 2019. Members present were Ivan Lau, Steve Lau, Tim Goldammer, Marlin Maas and Jerod Star. Also present were Auditor Phyllis Barker, Jennifer Kellogg representing Douglas County Publishing and Julie Brenner, Treasurer. Chairman Lau called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Maas to adopt the amended agenda. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

TREASURER

Julie Brenner, Treasurer, met with the board to discuss an outstanding check that needs to be stopped in order to be re-issued. A transmittal check for Tripp-Delmont School was lost in the mail and needs to be replaced. The Board authorized the Treasurer to stop payment on the lost check and replace it.

HIGHWAY

Bob Reinfeld, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to update them on his department. Reinfeld would like to purchase a trailer to haul the skid steer, culverts and other large items. He has found one in Platte for under \$5,000.00. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Goldammer authorizing Reinfeld to purchase a trailer. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried. The ditch east of Corsica on 273rd St. on the north side of the road was discussed. Reinfeld will clean out the ditch so the water can flow better. Delano Devries, met with the board briefly, to tell them that he is not happy with the fact that they denied payment to Dale DeLange for maintaining a county road. Chairman Lau explained the position of the Board and thanked Devries for his opinion. No action was taken. Wage Reviews for the Highway Department were tabled until the next meeting.

LEWIS AND CLARK BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

Dr. Tom Stanage from Lewis and Clark BHS met with the board to present the CY2018 Douglas County Statistics. Currently the county allots \$5100.00 for LCBHS. They are asking for a 3% increase for 2020 for a total of \$5,253.00. The Board thanked Dr. Stanage for coming. No action was taken at this time.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION

Jessica Goehring met with the Board briefly to discuss information requests from out of state companies. The Board agreed that it is not beneficial for the Douglas County taxpayers to share their information. No formal action was necessary.

DOUGLAS COUNTY 4-H

Kim Klein, 4-H Office Manager, met with the Board to explain the ETHICS SD trapping program. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Maas authorizing Klein to attend the ETHICS SD training sessions in order to offer the program to Douglas County youth. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

Klein explained that SDSU is requiring her to attend the State Fair because Douglas County 4-H members will be showing at the fair. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer authorizing travel expenses for Klein to attend the State Fair in Huron. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

DRAINAGE

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

At the advertised time of 10:00 a.m. the Board reviewed the drainage permit submitted by Joe Brenner for the purpose of installing underground drain tile in the South ½ of Section 11, Independence Township, Douglas County, SD. Joe Brenner was present to explain the proposed project. No one from the public was present in opposition.

A motion was made by Maas seconded by Goldammer to approve the permit submitted by Joe Brenner for tiling in section 11 of Independence Twp. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

The second drainage permit submitted by Joe Brenner for the purpose of installing underground drain tile in the N ½ of the NE ¼ of Section 16, Belmont Township, Douglas County, SD. Brenner explained the project. No one from the public was present in opposition. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Maas to approve the permit as submitted by Joe Brenner for tiling in Section 16 of Belmont Twp. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

As advertised, the Board reviewed the drainage permit submitted by Daryl and Jess Devries for the purpose of installing underground drain tiling in the West ½ and the SE ¼ of Section 34 of Iowa Township, Douglas County, SD. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Star approving the permit submitted by Devries' and to waive the recording fee in the Register of Deeds office. All members voted in favor of this action, motion carried.

The financial burden of the project was discussed. Because the water is affecting the county road and the project would aid in the recovery of the road, A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Maas to fund the project *up to* \$12,000.00 with the remainder of the cost being provided by the DeVries'. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

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

LIFEQUEST

Darla McGuire, LifeQuest, met with the Board to give an annual update. LifeQuest is asking for \$6,100.00 for the 2020 budget allotment. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to allot \$6,100 to LifeQuest in the 2020 budget. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Pat Harrington, Emergency Management Director, met with the Board to update them on his department. Harrington is working on the SLA agreement with the State. He is recommending that the County does not renew the contract with the State because the requirements are becoming tedious. The board agreed, with no formal action being taken at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

Bob Goodnow, Armour Resident, met with the Board to ask if they were willing to sell a part of a lot owned by the County off of Miltmore St. in Armour. The board declined to sell because the Highway Department has plans to use the lot for parking equipment. A motion was made by I. Lau and seconded by Goldammer, authorizing Goodnow to slope out his lot into the county property as opposed to having a bank. If more than 10' is needed, Goodnow will revisit with the Board. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

PLAT APPROVAL

A motion was made by Star seconded by Goldammer authorizing Chairman Lau to sign A Plat of Feenstra Tract 1, A subdivision of the SW ¼ of Section 13, T100N, R66W, of the 5th P.M., Douglas County, South Dakota. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

FEES REPORT:

Clerk of Courts Fees (June) \$3,356.11

Register of Deeds (June): \$1,647.00

AUDITORS ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER: June 2019

Checking Accounts	\$20,030.29
Cash on Hand.....	\$500.00
Petty Cash.....	\$400.00
Un-deposited receipts.....	\$21,734.20
Savings Accounts.....	\$3,955,000.00
-BankWest- Armour	
Certificate of Deposits	\$400,000.00
Total	\$4,397,664.49

FUND BALANCE

General Fund	\$2,221,851.42
Special Revenue Funds	\$1,933,452.61
Tax Increment.....	\$0.00
Trust and Agency Funds	\$242,360.46
Total	\$4,397,664.49

The following claims were approved for payment:

GENERAL FUND:

Agland Coop 203.70 repairs/fuel; Bankwest 30.00 prof fees; Boulders Inn and Suits 255.36 travel; Carl Beunning 75.00 prof fees; Buhl's Dry Cleaning 123.00 supplies; Charles Mix Co. Sheriff's Office 1300.00 jail fees; Cole Papers 262.42 supplies; Community Health Services 2085.96 supplies; Connecting Point 10,448.00 prof fees/dues; DCM Hospital 100.00 prof fees; Dean Schaefer Court Reporting 96.00 prof fees; Dept. of Health 40.00 prof fees; Dept. of Revenue (state check) 355.14 mental health; Design Crete 14,285.74 repairs; First Security Finance 4630.61 debt services; Galls LLC 408.95 uniforms; Keith Goehring 582.70 prof fees; H&H Electric & Motor Repair 280.62 repair; Mark Heisinger 76.92 travel; Kennedy Pier and Loftus LLP 163.90 prof fees; Kone Inc. 684.36 repairs; Krull's Market 24.94 supplies; Carolyn Lau 83.16 travel; Lincoln Co. Auditors Office 41.46 prof fees; McLeod's 148.67 supplies; Gene Niehus 7.35 prof fees; Northwestern Energy 38.03 utilities; Office Products Center 765.00 minor equip; Parkhurst Law Office 1560.36 prof fees/supplies/utilities; Randall Community Water District 189.60 utilities; Select Service Center 182.29 repairs; Jerod Star 140.28 travel; The Lodge at Deadwood 372.00 travel; Thomson Reuters West 696.70 law books; Van Brothers 195.00 utilities; Vogt's Repair 197.00 repairs; Wilson's True Value 1.85 supplies; Wunder Construction 5,322.46 repairs.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND:

Agland Co Op 3598.00 supplies; C&B Operations 100.60 supplies; Connecting Point 72.00 prof fees; Corsica Hardware 349.99 minor equip.; Marks Machinery 49,999.80 bobcat; Northwestern Energy

116.47 utilities; Office Products 133.23 supplies; Ringling Gravel and Construction 7,423.96 gravel; Vogt's Repair 177.79 repairs; T N T Auto Plex 4,700.00 equip.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Pat Harrington 215.88 travel; Mettler Implement 165.86 maint; Northwestern Energy 10.15 utilities.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:55 a.m. a motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday July 30, 2019. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____

Steve Lau, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: _____

Phyllis Barker, Auditor