

Commissioner Meeting Minutes  
May 5, 2020

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT the Board of County Commissioners met at the Douglas County Courthouse in Armour, SD at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2020. Members present were Ivan Lau, Steve Lau, Tim Goldammer, Marlin Maas, and Jerod Star. Also present were Auditor Phyllis Barker and Jennifer Kellogg, representing Douglas County Publishing. Chairman Lau called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A motion was made by I. Lau and seconded by Goldammer to adopt the amended agenda. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

#### RE-OPENING THE COURTHOUSE

Employees from various departments met with the Board to discuss re-opening the Courthouse doors. Deputy Niehus said that the Sheriff's Office will continue to social distance and will start temping people that enter their office if the courthouse was to re-open. Cleaning procedures were discussed. Treasurer Julie Brenner asked if she could limit the number of customers entering her office at a time to one; the Board agreed. Maas made a motion to re-open the courthouse with safety precautions being taken as much as possible. Star seconded the motion. Discussion was held; Goldammer expressed his opposition to the motion. The following votes were recorded: Voting aye: Star, Maas and S. Lau. Voting Nay: Goldammer and I. Lau. Motion carried.

#### HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Bob Goodnow and Sharon Weise met with the Board to discuss an idea for the historical society. Shirley (Bringleston) Schollmeyer would like to build a replica of the original Bringleston homestead. Goodnow has agreed to donate the lot just east of the Railroad House for the project to be done. Discussion was held as to who the property should be donated to. More information will be gathered before action is taken.

#### BROSZ ENGINEERING

Clint Powell, Brosz Engineering, met with the Board to update them on the results of the camera inspection of the auxiliary spillway. The final report will be available later this week. Powell gave recommendations on how to repair the spillway and auxiliary spillway. They would like to try to schedule the work to be done this fall. No action was taken at this time.

Powell informed the Board that there has been another round of Hazard Mitigation Grants made available. Powell also state that the SD DOT has also released a supplement to the Bridge Improvement Program. No action was necessary.

#### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Bob Reinfeld, Highway Superintendent, and Callie Nichols, Highway Office Manager, met with the Board to update them on their department. Nichols explained the striping agreement with the state for 2020 projects. A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Star authorizing the Chairman to sign the Striping Agreement for 2020. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

Reinfeld would like to purchase a new dump truck to use with sanding. Discussion was held. Reinfeld will obtain current quotes and bring them for review at the next meeting.

Auditor Barker relayed that the Delmont Board of Trustees would like a 4-way stop put in at either Wilson Ave. and Main St. or Broadway Ave. and Main St. in Delmont. No action was taken at this time.

## WEED AND PEST

Kim Klein, Weed and Pest Secretary, and Joe Pickart, Weed and Pest Board Chairman, met with the Commissioners to discuss the option of hiring a Weed and Pest Supervisor. They would like to hire a part-time supervisor for a maximum of 200 hours for the year.

A motion was made by Maas to publish a help wanted ad for a part-time Weed and Pest Supervisor at \$18.00 per hour. Goldammer seconded the motion. Discussion was held. All members voted in favor if this action; motion carried.

## GARDEN VALLEY DRAINAGE DITCH

The Board discussed the two dikes that were cut by the County last year to relieve the water along Garden Valley Ditch. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Maas to install two culverts in the dikes the county cut last year along Garden Valley Ditch. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

## ELECTION

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Goldammer to add Harrison Community Church as an additional polling place for the Primary Election for Precincts one and two. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Maas to enter into executive session at 10:56 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

Chairman Lau declared the meeting out of executive session at 11:14 a.m. with no action needed.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter from DENR was read with no action required.

## PARK

Spraying for dandelions at the campground was discussed. The board approved of hiring someone to do the spraying. Maas will contact Johnson Spraying of Corsica to do the work.

## CLAIMS

The following claims were approved for payment.

## GENERAL FUND:

April Payroll: Commissioners 3622.24 Auditor 7995.77 Treasurer 8617.18 States Attorney 5094.52 Courthouse Janitor 4837.40 Equalization 5394.53 Register of Deeds 6813.50 Veterans Service Officer 833.63 Sheriff 17,734.51 Coroner 0.00 Ambulance 1679.33 Welfare 158.59 Extension 2822.41 Weed & Pest: 621.64 Planning and Zoning 453.87 Museum 0.00 Park 0.00 Standard Life Insurance 614.21

Agland Co-op 145.47 41 fuel; Armour Chronicle 369.30 publishing; Armour Lumber 823.64 supplies; Armour City 129.17 utilities; Phyllis Barker 98.28 travel; Benders Sewer and Drain 546.00 maint; Julie Brenner 22.37 supplies; Cole Papers 1844.83 supplies; Community Health Services 2085.98 prof fees; Connecting Point 804.75 prof fees; Corsica Globe 474.29 publishing; Darrington Water 44.45 supplies; Delmont Record 369.30 publishing; Galls LLC 129.38 clothing allowance; Keith Goehring 358.70 prof fees; Goldenwest 856.17 utilities; Gunslingers LLP. 109.50 supplies; Marlin Maas 111.72 travel; McLeod's Office Supply 1656.74 supply; Nutrein Ag Solutions 4138.60 supplies; Marissa O'Day 65.70 prof fees; Office Products Center 158.40 supplies; Parkhurst Law Office 3120.72 utilities; Ramkota Hotel 104.00 travel; Randall Community Water Dist. 64.00

utilities; Jerod Star 172.20 travel; TimeClock Plus LLC 1791.00 equip.; Transource Truck & Equip. 1099.14 repairs; USPS 430.00 postage; Wellmark BCBS 150.00 insurance; Wilson's True Value 153.17 supplies; Wipf & Cotton Law Offices 291.00 prof fees.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND:**

April Payroll: 28,082.06; Agland Co-op 5046.70 supplies; Armour City 52.00 utilities; B&L Communications 373.88 repairs; Connecting Point 82.25 prof fees; Dakota Sales & Rental LLC. 775.00 rental; Fousek Truck Services 5.00 supplies; Goldenwest 136.08 utilities; Northwestern Energy 362.00 utilities; Upper Midwest Garage Door 5691.84 repairs; Wellmark BCBS 50.00 insurance; Werk Weld 12.64 supplies; Wilson's True Value 50.00 supplies.

**E911 FUND:**

April Payroll: 26.83; Goldenwest 436.56 E911 System; Midstate Communications 440.11 prof fees.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

April Payroll: 1565.73; Connecting Point 33.00 prof fees; Goldenwest 436.56 prof fees; Pat Harrington 18.90 travel; Wilson's True Value 9.49 supplies.

**MODERNIZATION AND PRESERVATION FUND:**

Microfilm Imaging Systems 222.50 rentals.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Maas to adjourn at 11:15 a.m. until the next meeting on May 19, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

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

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