

Douglas County Commissioner Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2021

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT the Board of County Commissioners met at the Douglas County Courthouse in Armour, SD at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 17, 2021. Members present were Tim Goldammer, Steve Lau, Jerod Star and Nathan E. Ymker. Also present was Auditor Phyllis Barker. Marlin Maas was absent. Chairman Lau called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to adopt the amended agenda. All members voted in favor of this action; Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Ymker to approve the minutes from the July 6th, 20th and 27th meetings. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

DRAINAGE BOARD

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

At the advertised time of 9:05 a.m., a public hearing to consider the following drainage project was held: Request for a Permit to install underground drain tile in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the S $\frac{1}{2}$, Section 28, T99N, R62W, Douglas County, South Dakota. Dennis Ziebart, Delmont, SD 57330, Owner/Applicant.

Dennis Ziebart was present to explain the project. No one from the public was present in opposition. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to approve the above-mentioned permit submitted by Dennis Ziebart. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

At the advertised time of 9:20 a.m. a public hearing to consider the following drainage projects was held: Request for a Permit to install underground drain tile in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 8, T98N, R64W, Douglas County, South Dakota. Robert Clark, 27961 387th Ave, Armour, SD 57313 Owner/Applicant. Request for a Permit to install underground drain tile in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 12, T98N, R65W, Douglas County, South Dakota. Robert Clark, 27961 387th Ave, Armour, SD 57313 Owner/Applicant. Bob Clark was unable to attend the public hearing. No one from the public was present to oppose the project. Due to Clark's absence, a motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Ymker to table any action taken until the September 7th meeting. All members vote in favor of this action; motion carried.

A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to adjourn as the Douglas County Drainage Board and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Bob Reinfeld, Highway Superintendent, and Callie Nichols, Highway Office Manager, met with the Board to update them on the Highway Department. Reinfeld presented an Approach Permit submitted by Jim Lefers for the purpose of installing a field approach in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 24, Holland Twp. A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to approve the application upon recommendation of the Highway Superintendent, with all approach work and installation to be done at the expense of the applicant. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

OPERATING TRANSFER

A motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Goldammer to make an operating transfer of \$250,000 from the General Fund Cash to the Road and Bridge Fund Cash Balance as budgeted for 2021. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

EXTENSION/ WEED AND PEST

Kim Klein, Extension/ 4-H Director, met with the Board to update them on her department. Klein informed the Board that she will be attending the State Fair on Friday September 3rd and Sunday September 5th per the MOU with SDSU Extension and working various booths while there.

A motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Star to authorize Klein to pick up supplies for the trapping program in Pierre on September 21st. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

WEED AND PEST

Klein informed the Board that Jerimiah Phelps from the Dept. of Ag came to meet with Mark Heisinger, of the Weed and Pest Board, to document the spotted knap weed infestations in two fields within Douglas County where *Cyphocleonus Achates*, a root boring weevil and *Larinus Minutus/Obtus*, a seed head weevil, had been released to help control the spotted knap weed infestation in the area.

PARK

Roxane Wentz, Park Caretaker, met with the Board to provide an update. The picnic tables purchased from Werk Weld are done and assembled. Wentz said the new water heater will be replaced within the next couple of weeks. Trees needing to be taken down were discussed. H&H Electric is going to wait until the fall to upgrade the sites along the spillway as to not interrupt camping. Bringing electricity to the shelter was discussed with no action taken. Goldammer brought up the option of upgrading the playground equipment. Cost of new equipment, applying for grants and repairing the existing equipment was discussed with no action taken at this time.

RESOLUTION

A motion was made by Star and seconded by Goldammer to introduce the following Resolution. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2021-11

A resolution of the Douglas County Commission declaring its support for, and adoption of, the Douglas County Multi-Jurisdiction Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan.

WHEREAS a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for Douglas County (the Plan) has been developed; and

WHEREAS Douglas County participated in the development of the Plan; and

WHEREAS the Plan will be used as a disaster mitigation planning tool as deemed appropriate by the Douglas County Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Douglas County Commission hereby adopts and supports the Plan, and will take action to ensure that the Plan is implemented.

Adopted and approved this 17th day of August 2021.

SIGNED: _____
Steve Lau, Douglas County Chairperson

ATTEST: _____
Phyllis Barker, Auditor

OTHER BUSINESS

Auditor Barker presented an agenda for a Planning and Development District III meeting to be held in Mitchell on August 25th. A motion was made by Star seconded by Goldammer authorizing the Auditor to attend the PDDIII meeting on August 25th in Mitchell. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Jessica Goehring, Planning and Zoning Administrator, met with the Board to discuss the Planning and Zoning Board. Goehring would like to have the Commissioners also be the Planning and Zoning Board as opposed to the current seven-member board, which includes two commissioners. Discussion was held with no action taken at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:21 a.m. Ymker made a motion and Goldammer seconded to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Barker exited the meeting at 10:37 a.m. Chairman Lau called the meeting back to open session at 10:51 a.m. with no action taken at this time.

PLAT APPROVAL

A motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Goldammer to approve the Plat of Goehring's Addition located in the W 1/2 of Section 12, T97N, R62W, of the 5th P.M., Douglas County, South Dakota. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:55 a.m. a motion was made by Star and seconded by Ymker to enter into executive session with Goehring present to discuss a personnel matter. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried. Barker exited the meeting. Chairman Lau declared the meeting back to open session at 11:10 a.m. with no action taken at this time.

FEES REPORT

Clerk of Courts Fees (July): \$6,087.15

Register of Deeds Fees (July): \$4800.60

AUDITORS ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER: July 2021

Checking Accounts	\$5,682.76
Cash on Hand.....	\$500.00
Petty Cash.....	\$400.00
Un-deposited receipts.....	\$8,356.57
Savings Accounts.....	\$3,300,000.00
-Bankwest- Armour	
Certificate of Deposits	\$400,000.00
Total	\$3,714,939.33

FUND BALANCE

General Fund.....	\$2,258,862.01
Special Revenue Funds	\$836,179.11
Tax Increment District Fund	\$0.00
Trust and Agency Funds	\$619,898.21

Total \$3,714,939.33

CLAIMS:

The following claims were approved for payment:

GENERAL FUND:

Agland Coop 218.65 supplies/repairs; Armour Dray 50.00 utilities; Armour City 329.42 utilities; Brosz Engineering 21,527.50 prof fees; Charles Mix Co. Sheriff 390.00 jail fees; Cole Papers 873.29 supplies; Community Health Services 2213.00 prof fees; Connecting Point 9935.00 prof fees; DCM Hospital 50.00; Department of Health 40.00 prof fees; John Engelland 151.39 supplies; First Security Finance 4630.61 debt services; Jeremy Johnson 40.00 travel; Krull’s Market 39.72 supplies; McLeod’s Office Supply 241.52 supplies; Microfilm Imaging 322.50 rental; NEXTRAQ 14.95 prof fees; northwestern 51.19 utilities; Office Products Center 691.85 supplies; SDACC 1230.00 convention; Select Service Center 997.86 repairs; USPS 1700.00 postage; Van Brothers Inc. 180.00 utilities; Vogt’s Repair 462.70 repairs; Werk Weld 1100.00 minor equip; Wilson’s True Value 113.78 supplies; Xpress Mart 177.02 fuel.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

Agland Coop 8902.05 fuel/ supplies; Armour Dray 30.00 utilities; Armour City 54.67 utilities; Connecting Point 1390.00 prof fees; Corsica Hardware 224.98 supplies; Equipment Blades 12,160.00 supplies; Fousek Trucking Service 1142.31 supplies/ repairs; Grosz sand and Gravel 7866.20 supplies/ prof fees; NEXTRAQ 89.70 prof fees; Northwestern Energy 135.94 utilities.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Goldammer and seconded by Ymker to adjourn at 11:15 a.m. until the next meeting on September 7, 2021. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Steve Lau, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: _____
Phyllis Barker, Auditor

