

Douglas County Commissioner Meeting Minutes
September 7, 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, September 7, 2021. Members present were Tim Goldammer, Marlin Maas and Nathan E. Ymker. Also present was Auditor Phyllis Barker. Steve Lau and Jerod Star were absent. Vice-Chairman Goldammer called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Ymker to adopt the agenda. All members present voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Ymker to approve the minutes from the August 3rd, 17th and 26th meetings. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

DRAINAGE BOARD

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

At the advertised time of 9:05 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 ¼ 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 ¼ of Section 12, T98N, R65W, Douglas County, South Dakota. Robert Clark, 27961 387th Ave, Armour, SD 57313 Owner/Applicant.*

Bob Clark and Philip Blum were present. Also present was Derek Evans, Gridline Tile, to explain the proposed projects. Discussion was held regarding the Section 8 project. Evans explained that the project would outlet into a stock dam on Clark's property. In the event that the stock dam was to overflow, the water would then run into the ditch, through a culvert and then onto Blum's land where it would enter the named water way, Andes Creek. Blum stated that he does not have any major objections to the project and approves of the work being completed on Clark's property. However, Blum would prefer to not sign the written waiver approving this project and will only give his verbal approval. The Board explained to Blom that this would still be binding and clarified that he agreed to the project, to which he said yes. Therefore, a motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Maas to approve the Drainage Permit submitted by Bob Clark to install underground drain tile in the SE ¼ of Section 8, T98N, R64W. A roll call vote was taken with the following votes recorded: Voting 'aye': Ymker, Maas and Goldammer. Voting 'nay': None. Absent: Lau and Star. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the permit submitted by Clark for Section 12. Evans explained the project. Because the public hearing was tabled at the last meeting, Evans paid for the Notice of Public Hearing to be published for an additional two weeks, consequently, the notice was published for four consecutive weeks as well as posted on the county's website. No written or verbal objections received by the Auditor regarding the section 12 project. Evans said the downstream landowners were unable to be reached to sign the waiver. Discussion was held resulting in a motion made by Maas, seconded by Ymker, to table action on the Drainage Permit submitted by Clark to install underground drain tiling in the NE ¼ of Section 12, T98N, R65W, until contact with the downstream landowners can be made and signatures can be gathered. All present voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

2022 PROVISIONAL BUDGET

As advertised, the Commissioners reviewed the 2022 Provisional Budget. No one from the public was present. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Ymker to approve the 2022 Provisional Budget as published. All present voted in favor of this action; motion carried. Any necessary changes will be made before adoption of the Annual Budget at the September 21nd meeting.

SECOND READING

A motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Maas to hold the second reading of Ordinance No. 2021-02, *An Ordinance amending the revised ordinances of Douglas County, Creating Licensing Provisions for Cannabis Establishments*. And Ordinance No. 2021-03, *An Ordinance to Amend "Definitions"; Article 5 "Agricultural Districts (AG)", Sections 525, Agricultural District; And Section 507, Adopted by Douglas County Zoning Ordinance on May 1, 2018, as amended, of the Zoning Ordinance of Douglas County*. All members voted in favor of this action motion carried.

A motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Maas to approve both Ordinance No. 2021-02 and Ordinance No. 2021-03 and to publish the Notice of Adoption. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

HIGHWAY

Bob Reinfeld, Highway Superintendent and Callie Nichols, Highway Office Manager, met with the Board to update them on their department. Reinfeld would like to attend the Region 8 Local Roads Conference on October 19th-21st in Sioux Falls. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Ymker authorizing Reinfeld to attend the conference. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

Nichols presented two quotes for the small structure inventory project. One from Brosz Engineering and one from HR Green. Greg Powell, Brosz Engineering, was present for the discussion. Action was tabled until all Commissioners could be present. Commissioner Maas thanked Reinfeld and his department for all the gravel they have hauled in the last few weeks and said the gravel roads are looking good.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Maas to enter into executive session at 10:17 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter with Barker present. Barker exited at 10:30. Vice-Chair Goldammer declared the meeting back to open session at 10:35 a.m. with no action taken.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Jon Coler, Sheriff, met with the Board to provide an update on his department. No action was necessary.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Pat Harrington, Emergency Manager, met with the Board to update them on his department. The burn ban was discussed. A motion was made by Ymker to remove the burn ban. Motion died for lack of second. Therefore, the burn ban remains in effect for Douglas County.

The Emergency Managers Conference is September 16th and 17th in Watertown. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Ymker authorizing Harrington to attend the meeting. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

DAKOTA TRAILS GOLF COURSE

Jay Spaans and Mike Plooster met with the Board to discuss the spillway project at Corsica Lake.

The golf course board would like to ensure that they are part of the discussion if the lake is to be drained for the spillway repair because they use the lake to irrigate the course. The Commission agreed that the project will not be completed this fall, but that they will keep the golf course board informed.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION

Jessica Goehring, Director of Equalization, met with the Board briefly to update them on her department. Goehring informed the Board that a high school student would like to job shadow her for a day and asked for permission to do so. The Board approved of the job shadow, as long as a liability waiver is signed by the student and parents.

AUDITORS OFFICE

Phyllis Barker, Auditor, informed the Board that due to the completion of the 2020 Census, and declining population in Delmont, the County will need to redistrict. A proposed change was mapped out by Planning and Development District III and agreed upon by the Board. Barker will proceed with the process of redistricting with District III.

A motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Maas to surplus FA#3158, fax machine, for disposal. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

CLAIMS

The following claims were approved for payment.

GENERAL FUND

August Payroll: Commissioners 4053.24 Auditor 8,500.03 Treasurer 9,222.22 States Attorney 5457.87 Courthouse Janitor 5,299.80 Equalization 7,939.38 Register of Deeds 5,124.54 Veterans Service Officer 927.08 Sheriff 18,150.61 Coroner 0.00 Welfare 156.88 Ambulance 5,730.88 Extension 3042.53 Weed & Pest 1162.32 Fair board 0.00 Planning and Zoning 615.48 Museum 0.00 Park 1189.09 Reliance Standard Life Insurance 546.85
Agland Co-op 120.70 repairs; Alans Paint and Body 130.00 repairs; The Appliance Center 1295.00 computer; Armour Chronicle 772.75 publishing; Armour Lumber Company 12.90 supplies; Armour City 496.17 utilities; B&L Communications 85.00 repairs; Buhl's Dry Cleaners 184.00 repairs; C&B Operations 9.18 repairs; Cardmember Services 124.44 prof fees/ supplies; Community Health Services 2213.00 prof fees; Connecting Point 95.96 prof fees; Corsica Globe 823.80 publishing; Corsica Hardware 1347.25 1347.25 repairs/minor equip.; Darrington Water 44.45 supplies; Delmont Record 772.75 publishing; David Diede 2473.40 prof fees; Goldenwest 255.26 utilities; Fred Kuil 189.36 travel; Lake Contracting 100.00 supplies; Mid-American Research Chemical 325.29 supplies; Marshall & Swift 1581.90 supplies; Microfilm Imaging 322.50 rentals; Mitchell Plumbing and Heating 2106.52 repairs; Gene Niehus 25.00 travel; Northwestern 1592.47 utilities; Office Products Center 388.95 supplies; Dustin Palmquist 25.00 travel; Ramkota Hotel 847.01 travel; Randall Comm Water Dist. 123.50 utilities; Jerod Star 110.88 travel; State of SD 39.75 utilities; Van Brothers 150.00 utilities; Vogt's Repair 197.72 repairs; U.S Bank Voyager 1575.51 fuel; Wilson's True Value 183.97 supplies/ repairs.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

August Payroll: 29,786.55; A-Ox 23.94 rental; Agland Co-op 4939.04 supplies/ repairs; Armour Lumber Co. 6.65 supplies; Armour City 54.67 utilities; Avera Occupational Medicine 182.00 prof fees; C&B Operations 250.02 supplies; Connecting Point 95.96 prof fees; Fousek Trucking Service 390.83 repairs; Goldenwest 67.07 utilities; Michael Redd 8350.00 prof fees' SD Dept of

Transportation 1027.23 prof fees; Star Manufacturing 607.03 supplies; Vogt's Repair 203.97 supplies; U.S Bank Voyager 66.67 supplies; Werk Weld 21.00 supplies; Wilson's True Value 240.99 supplies.

E911 FUND

August Payroll: 26.70; Goldenwest 436.56 prof fees; Midstate Communications 440.11 prof fees.

EMERGENCY MANAGER

August Payroll: 1839.05; Connecting Point 2.02 prof fees; Planning and Dev. District III 6000.00 prof fees; Wilson's True Value 6.49 supplies.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:35 a.m. a motion was made by Ymker and seconded by Maas to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 2021. All members voted in favor of this action; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Tim Goldammer, Vice-Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: _____
Phyllis Barker, Auditor