#### Unapproved MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING Britton, South Dakota

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on February 1, 2022 in the Commissioner Meeting room and via Zoom video conference. Members present were Medhaug, Schuller, Luttrell, Jones and Knebel. Commissioner Medhaug presided. The meeting was open to the public and was offered via Zoom on computer and conference call. The chairman called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone in attendance. Shelby Thompson, Kalissa Stelzer, Erin Collins-Miles, Kim Burger and Sandy Dinger were present for portions of the meeting via zoom.

## AGENDA:

Schuller moved, Luttrell seconded to approve the agenda for February 1, 2022. All members voted aye.

#### **MINUTES:**

Knebel moved, Luttrell seconded to approve the minutes for January 18, 2022. All members voted aye.

## **CLAIMS:**

Schuller moved, Knebel seconded to approve and pay the following claims. All members present voted aye. PAYROLL by department: January 20, 2022: Commissioners 1615.60; Auditor 3537.04; Treasurer 3967.12; States Attorney 1583.71; Courthouse 2334.13; Director 4453.95; Register 3038.97; VSO 725.01; Sheriff 15198.13; Welfare 499.34; Nurse 575.04; Ambulance 8544.64; Extension 862.56; Weed 100.77; Zoning 2181.20; Highway 22766.73; E911 7737.22; Emergency Management 603.12;

EMPLOYER FICA & MEDICARE: First Savings Bank 5870.06

EMPLOYER SOUTH DAKOTA RETIREMENT SYSTEM: 3896.38

LONGEVITY PAYROLL by department: January 20, 2022: Auditor 400.00; Treasurer 600.00; Director 400.00; Register 400.00; Sheriff 2200.00; Highway 2500.00; E911 700.00

EMPLOYER FICA & MEDICARE: First Savings Bank 550.80

EMPLOYER SOUTH DAKOTA RETIREMENT SYSTEM: 436.00

A & B BUSINESS INC SOLUTIO	37.02
ARAMARK	62.26
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	48.08
CENTURY LINK	288.15
COLE PAPERS INC	122.75
DAVID HUNTER	95.94
DELANEY NIELSEN SANNES PC	3,440.25
DEPT OF ANIMAL SCIENCES	130.00
DIRK W WEBER	315.00
DMC WEAR PARTS LLC	4,229.60
DOUG MEDHAUG	74.88
EDEN OIL	3,044.80
GOVERNMENT FORMS AND SUPPL	617.10

IMEG	5,203.97
KENS FOOD FAIR	38.98
KEVIN KRAFT	75.01
KONEXUS, INC	1,650.00
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FIN	101.39
LANGFORD TOWN	235.94
LARISSA HEITMANN	51.24
LERON KNEBEL	64.35
LYLE SIGNS INC	1,469.26
LYNDA LUTTRELL	28.08
MARCO INC	116.96
MENARDS/ ABERDEEN	64.99
MEYER HARDWARE HANK	33.93
MIKES HEATING & COOLING CO	86.73
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	33.62
PITNEY BOWES	2,000.00
RAPKOCH LAW, PROFF L.L.C.	3,788.17
RICHARD BENDA	75.88
ROBERTS COUNTY DETENTION C	1,440.00
SD ASSN COUNTY COMMRS	2,000.00
SD DEPT TRANSPORTATION	2,152.42
SD EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AS	30.00
SDSU EXTENSION	10,567.75
SHOP 4-H/NATIONAL 4-H COUN	173.25
TALIAFERRO LAW FIRM P.C.	239.90
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	164.82
VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS	2,335.44
WEED & PEST CONFERENCE	450.00
WERNER AUTOMOTIVE	291.53

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Larry Johnson met with the board to inform them of a home he plans to build on Clear Lake. Johnson asked the board to look at the plans for any issues. The board informed Johnson that the home will need to go through the formal variance process for its proximity to the high-water mark, but they did not point out any major concerns.

Corrine Zorn met with the board to ask who to contact to inquire about whether townships will receive any American Rescue Plan monies from the State. The board advised Zorn to contact the Association of Towns and Townships and area legislators.

# HIGHWAY:

Dustin Hofland, Highway Secretary met with the board and Sandy Dinger, Highway Secretary met via Zoom to discuss highway department business. Mike Nelson and Donnie Hanson, Newport Township met with the board to ask that the bridge located in Hickman Township (North of Swanson's) be placed on the inventory list for the Rural Access Infrastructure

program. Per secretary Dinger, this "culvert" (called that because of the size of the structure) is 46-061-190. It is not inspected and is on the border of Hickman/Newport Townships. The H&H study has been completed on it. Hofland informed them that this bridge would be placed on the inventory, but the funds are not available yet and the process for providing the funds to townships has not been finalized.

Hanson also asked about half of a mile on County Road 13G that he would like to see repaired that is under water. Hanson currently has to drive 8 miles out of the way because this road is not usable. Hanson and Nelson stated that they would like to see the Amherst road 11AS returned to blacktop. Hofland estimated that this would cost \$1,020,000 with out including the cost of digging out soft spots and creating a good base. No action was taken.

Luttrell moved, Schuller seconded to approve an overhead utility permit for East River Electric. All members voted aye.

## **FUEL QUOTES:**

Sandy Dinger received the following quotes for #1 dyed diesel for the Veblen shop on January 19: Eden Oil \$3.46; Full Circle Ag \$3.506. No other bids were available at the time delivery was needed. Diesel fuel was delivered to the Veblen shop by Eden Oil.

# **TRAVEL:**

Schuller moved, Knebel seconded to authorize the following travel expenses: Highway Department employees to Sisseton February 17 for MSHA training. All members voted aye.

## **VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER:**

Dave Daberkow, VSO, met with the board to give a Veteran's Service Officer quarterly report.

## **CITY WATER PROJECT:**

Clyde Fredrickson, Britton City Mayor; George Flanery, Britton City Public Works Supervisor; Rachel Kloos, Chris Peterson and Josh Muckenhirn, ISG, Inc.; met with the board. Fredrickson informed the board that the City of Britton is working with ISG, Inc. on a project to replace the water lines that go North out of town to Horton. The lines are nearing their estimated end of life, so the city is hoping to plan ahead and replace these lines before they have a major break. The city may be requesting funding help from the County for this project in the future. Fredrickson stated that as the properties that the lines go to are outside of city limits, the City does not receive tax dollars for them. The properties do, however, pay utility bills to the city. Kloos also informed the board that there may be SRF matching funds available for the project. No action was taken.

## **COURTHOUSE PROJECT:**

Aaron Lee, Deputy Sheriff; Sam Swanson, Sheriff; Josh Muckenhirn, ISG, Inc.; Deb Skonberg, E911 Coordinator; were present and Tobin Morris, Colliers Securities LLC; Sue Peterson, ISG, Inc.; were present via Zoom to discuss the Courthouse Project. The board discussed the pros and cons of passing a resolution for bond issue for the primary election vs. the general election. The board decided that in order to have adequate time to inform the public, answer any questions or concerns, conduct public surveys and make sure that voters are prepared to vote on the issue, it would be better to put the issue on the general election. Muckenhirn will work on a proposal for helping with informing and surveying the public.

## SHERIFF/DISPATCH:

Sheriff Swanson inquired about the E-Citation quote he had received. The board has not heard from the department of Legislative Audit on whether or not this would be an allowable 24/7 fund expense and will inquire with them again.

Skonberg and Swanson informed the board that they learned at the E911 training that they recently attended that the state will be enforcing their rule where 2 dispatchers must be on duty at all times. The previous understanding was that the county could have an arrangement with other dispatch centers for their calls to forward to the other dispatch center if the main center was unable to answer the call. It now appears that that will not be accepted. Small PSAPS are asking for exceptions to this rule. That may involve the main county giving the supporting county 10% of their surcharge receipts. Skonberg will keep the board informed as these decisions are reached.

Skonberg informed the board of proposed HB 1291. This bill would allow Counties to classify dispatchers as Class B employees for South Dakota Retirement purposes. The board requested that Auditor Biel draft a letter on their behalf supporting this legislation.

## **ABATEMENT:**

Schuller moved, Luttrell seconded to approve abatements on 4 parcels for 2 applicants who missed the elderly tax freeze deadline. Total taxes abated: \$760.63. All members voted aye.

#### **COMMUNITY BUILDING:**

Schuller moved, Jones seconded to accept a quote from Carpets Done Right and More to clean the carpets and rugs at the Community building for \$937.10. All members voted aye.

## **PAY RAISE:**

Per a 1-year review, Knebel moved, Luttrell seconded to authorize a pay raise for Beth Hove, Deputy Register of Deeds from \$16.53 to \$17.84 effective January 30. All members voted aye.

#### **TREASURER:**

The board agreed to reclassify Ricki Bohlander as a part-time over 20 hours per week employee.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Jones moved, Knebel seconded to enter into executive session to discuss legal issues at 12:38pm. All members voted aye. The chairman called the board out of executive session at 12:50 pm. No action was taken.

#### **ADJOURN:**

Knebel moved, Luttrell seconded to adjourn. All members voted aye.

#### **ATTEST:**

Doug Medhaug, Chairman

Megan Biel, Auditor

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