June 4, 2020 Regular Meeting

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, June 4 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Jaeger presiding. Those present were Commissioners Rhody, Jaeger, DeJong and Homan. Commissioner Kreutner was present through Zoom platform. Also present was Auditor Mary Korth. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Jaeger announced that because one commissioner was only present through virtual platform, any and all votes will be approved by roll call only.

# Approval of Agenda

1) Homan moved, seconded by DeJong to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

# **Approval of Minutes:**

2) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of May 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, with the correction to the May 5<sup>th</sup> minutes to Drainage Board/Claremont Colony to change "Deuel County" landowners gave verbal permission to drain, to "Hamlin County" as the project is cross county located. This is in reference to Permit #D20-15. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

## 9:00 Highway Superintendent Jamie Hintz

Hintz met with the Commissioners to discuss several issues.

Hintz received information from Banner about an additional 14 miles of county haul roads that Avangrid is using for the Tatanka wind project. Hintz presented a contract from Banner to amend the existing haul road agreement. Chairman Jaeger asked if other companies are also following their agreements and if not, are they "retro back" to the original agreement if they are using other roads? Hintz stated if there is evidence that they are using other roads, those will be added to the haul route. Hintz stated there will likely be more amended agreements in the future. 3) Kreutner moved, seconded by Homan to approve and sign the contract agreement with Banner and revise the existing agreement with Avangrid to include an additional 14 miles on the haul road agreement. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

Further discussion was held on the haul roads used by Avangrid as well as other wind tower companies in the County and damage done to the roads. Kreutner asked about signs on township roads stating "no trucks" in the northern part of the county. Hintz said that is a township issue and the Boards there are monitoring closely the issues on those roads. Kreutner and Hintz agreed it is a lot of policing and monitoring of these issues and creates a lot of extra work. Hintz had meetings recently with the parties involved and is getting them to stabilize the roads. Hintz isn't happy with dust control and their use of heavy loads on the roads. Kreutner stated he wants to see township supervisors taking photos and putting the pressure on Invenergy and also Crowned Ridge to keep the roads in driving condition. Hintz spends a lot of time putting the pressure on them to get the roads in better condition. Commissioner Homan commented about the areas she was familiar with and thought dust control was improving. More discussion was held on all the wind tower

companies in the county and the heavy traffic, construction and conditions of the roads. Discussion was also held concerning the construction on Hwy 212, shoulder work and the traffic lines leading to use of Deuel County roads.

Discussion was held on the improvements and locks at the West Hwy 22 building. Measures have been taken to secure door locks with key pads and combinations. Hintz has been concerned with the neighboring sand pile that drifts to county property.

Commissioner Rhody questioned the bridge replacement in the Hidewood. Hintz stated they should begin soon (early June) but nothing has been started.

# 9:45 Emergency Manager Sheila Monnier

Monnier met with the commissioners to discuss several matters related to her department and give updates. Monnier feels that a plan needs to be in place in case someone in the courthouse should become ill or is being tested due to Covid-19. Chairman Jaeger felt that sick time should be used first before admin leave due to Covid. Further discussion ensued comparing other companies in Clear Lake and other counties' policies. State's Attorney John Knight was not present but was asked to prepare a resolution to address these matters.

Monnier commented about the recent protests in the area. Milbank had a recent peaceful protest and as of date, protests are scheduled for Watertown and Brookings. Deuel County does not expect any protests but remains prepared. Monnier has spoken with Sheriff Borg about monitoring the situation.

Monnier has secured a key to courthouse for the Fire Department to open the courthouse in the event of severe weather for people to take shelter. She further has investigated storm shelters in the Toronto area and their Fire Department will open Deubrook Elementary as a storm shelter if needed.

Monnier reported for 4-H Director Deb Lessman. June 4-H events and meetings will still be held virtually. July will be the next phase. The State Fair is still on and there are meetings in the future concerning Deuel County Achievement Days.

Discussion was held on the EM Office in the courthouse basement. Humidity control and floor issues were addressed. Monnier is hoping for areas for future meetings such as the blue room and to keep all the areas clean and free of clutter.

Monnier also reported on some of the happenings with her department as well as area fire departments. She also commented on road conditions for ambulance use.

# 10:15 Drainage Board/Clark Rogness

4) Rhody moved, seconded by Homan to adjourn as County Commission and reconvene as Drainage Board. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

Clark Rogness requested a permit to drain on the SE1/4NE1/4 of 32-114-48. Proposed length of the drain is 3200 feet using 5-6" tile. Area affected for drainage will be 20 acres. Adjoining landowners had signed Permission To Drain. 5) Homan moved, seconded by Kreutner to approve and issue Drainage Permit #D20-21 renewal to Clark Rogness to drain on above described property. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

# 10:30 Drainage Board/Clark Rogness

Clark Rogness requested a permit to drain on the SW1/4 of 10-113-48. Proposed length of the drain is 5000 feet using 5-6" tile. Area affected for drainage will be 30 acres. Adjoining

landowners had signed Permission To Drain. 6) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve and issue Drainage Permit #D20-19 renewal to Clark Rogness to drain on above described property. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

# 10:45 Drainage Board/Rory Olerud

Rory Olerud requested a permit to drain on the NE1/4 of 34-115-49. Proposed length of the drain is 7500 feet using 6-8" tile. Area affected for drainage will be 20 acres. Adjoining landowners had signed Permission To Drain. 7) Homan moved, seconded by DeJong to approve and issue Drainage Permit #D20-20 to Rory Olerud to drain on above described property. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

8) Kreutner moved, seconded by DeJong to adjourn as Drainage Board and reconvene as County Commission. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

# 11:30 Canvas 2020 Primary Election

The Commissioners Canvassed the vote total in each precinct of the county with the following results:

Total Precincts Reporting Total Ballots Counted Total Republican Party Total Democrat	10 599 400	199
Republican for US Senator		
Mike Rounds	301	
Scyller J. Borglum	95	
Republican for US Representative		
Liz Marty May	69	
Dusty Johnson	328	
Democrat for President of US		
Bernie Sanders	38	
Joseph R. Biden		145

9) Kreutner moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the Official Canvass for the 2020 Primary Election. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

# Public Comments

There were no public comments at this meeting.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# **Courthouse Windows**

Commissioner Rhody presented information and bids about replacement of the windows in the courthouse. One of the windows in the Courthouse was examined to see if it required further labor than just window replacement. It was found that insulation would have to be put in and around the windows for replacement. The original quotes would have to be amended to include extra work for insulation addition. Further decisions were discussed for windows made from aluminum or vinyl; as well as if the windows should be fixed windows with a vent window, which would be energy efficient, or otherwise. Rhody said most window companies are very busy at this time and has not heard back with bids except from the original bidder, The Window Place in Milbank, SD. More detailed estimates are forthcoming.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Approve Cash Balance Sheet**

10) Rhody moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve the cash balance sheet for the month of May. Roll call vote, all yea and the motion carried.

## DEUEL COUNTY AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH TREASURER

END OF MONTH CASH BALANCE	MAY 2020	
CASH TOTAL	\$ 1,724.91	
CHECKS TOTAL	\$ 22,989.03	
CASH ITEM	\$ 94.13	
CASH CHANGE SHERIFF	\$ 50.00	
TOTAL CASH ASSETS ON HAND	\$ 24,858.07	
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$ 595,751.96	
MM DNB NATIONAL BANK	\$ 4,062.94	
PREMIUM MM FIRST BANK & TRUST OF TORONTO	\$6,609,881.96	
CREDIT CARDS CD'S \$250,000 DNB \$0 FIRST BANK & TRUST	\$ 238.43 \$ 250,000.00	

REVOLVING LOAN				\$ 117,561.13
GRAND TOTAL CAS				\$7,602,354.49
GL CASH BAL	ANCE BY FUND	S:		
GENERAL				\$3,785,573.51
SP REVENUE	FUNDS			\$2,754,454.86
TRUST & AGI	ENCY FUNDS			\$1,062,326.12
townships	\$82,382.58	cities	\$67 <i>,</i> 665.39	
schools	\$719,983.45	rural fire	\$12,068.56	

## TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH

\$7,602,354.49

# FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)

Zoning Officer Jodi Theisen has been appointed Floodplain Administrator for Deuel County. FEMA Specialists are working with Theisen to review engineering models that are used to developed a Flood Insurance Rate Map for the County. Discussion was held with Theisen on her duties and help she will be receiving from Marc Macy about the National Flood Insurance Program. This is all in the preliminary stages with more information coming to the cities and towns towards fall and winter. Theisen presented the preliminary map from FEMA and an example of an area that qualifies for insurance and an area that would not qualify for insurance. Theisen also presented maps of each of the cities in the County and their qualifications for flood insurance. The cities also received emails and information about the FEMA maps. The process would continue to finalize the maps by fall of 2021. As Zoning Officer, Theisen is informing new construction owners about the flood insurance maps that will be in place and lets them know that information. Chairman Jaeger also suggested putting the information on GIS for landowners and realtors when we have a finalization map. Theisen felt the FIRM was accurate. Theisen also felt that State's Attorney John Knight should review the map and give advice if the County should participate in the program and what the advantages are and what the consequences would be if we did not participate as a County. Theisen will work with John Knight as well as FEMA officials to get more information and keep the Board informed.

# APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

11) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve all warrants as presented and those paid early to avoid service charge. All voted yes and the motion carried A&B Business Solutions 132.81 Supplies, A-Ox Welding Supply Company In 48.11 Cylinder Rental, At&T Mobility 381.25 Cell Phones, Banner Associates Inc 5442.15 Pro Service, Bituminous Paving Inc 1002219.20 Overlay Project, Bjerke Sanitation 230.00 Utilities, Bratland Law 853.60 Caa, Brock White Company Llc 5400.84 Repair/Supplies, Credit Collections Bureau 1.70 Co Assist, Clear Lake Building Center 1070.23 Supplies/Repairs, City Of Clear Lake 210.04 Utilities, City of Watertown Fin Office 3961.30 911 Fees, Clear Lake Courier 2440.97 Publishing, Clear Lake Veterinary Clinic 54.08 Pro Service, Codington County Auditor 340.00 Prisoner Care, Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 23545.43 Repairs, Supplies & Utilities, Deuel County Motor Supply Inc. 476.04 Supplies/Repair, Dcn Insurance 3307.50 Ambulance Policy, Dust-Tex Service Inc 108.84 Rental, Election Systems & Software Inc 1744.30 Election Supplies, First Bank & Trust 4101.74 Supplies/Minor Equip, Fritz Chevrolet Inc 2060.23 Repair/Pro Service, Galls, Llc 612.64 Supplies, Gates Htg & Airconditioning 169.65 Pro Service, Helena Agri-Enterprises, Llc 699.00 Supplies, Inter-Lakes Comm Action Inc 1666.75 Support For May, Interior Technicians, Inc 16169.52 Mold Inspection, Itc 2189.08 Utilities, Kibble Equipment Llc 1639.27 Repairs/Supplies, Lyle Signs Inc 398.15 Supplies, Mack Land Surveying, Llc 200.00 Pro Service, Maynards 7.74 Supplies, Mcleod's 223.98 Supplies, Menards 176.83 Supplies, Microfilm Imaging Systems 277.50 Rental/Pro Service, City Of Milbank 100.00 Supplies, Byron Nogelmeier 140.00 24/7 Due To State, Northwestern Energy 484.69 Utilities, Office Peeps Inc 1957.35 Supplies/Minor Equip, Ottertail Power Co 21.73 Utilities, Postmaster 60.00 Box Rent, Powerplan Oib 411.91 Repair, Prairie Lakes Healthcare Sys 170.00 Pro Service, Quadient, Inc. 73.88 Supplies, Rc Technologies 150.00 Utilities, Rob's Locker & Catering 975.00 Pro Service, Sanford Clinic 2805.00 Health Nurse, So Dak Department Of Health 70.00 Pro Service, Sd Dept Of Transportation 247.94 Pro Service, Sd Dept Of Transportation 840.50 Fuel, South Dakota Partners Inc 120.00 Supplies, Sdacc 2818.00 Clerp, Star Laundry 197.70 Rental, Sturdevant's Auto Parts 130.75 Supplies, Team Laboratory Chemical, Llc 710.50 Supplies, Tri State Water Inc 60.97 Water, Truenorth Steel Inc 5938.80 Supplies, Ultra-Connecting Point 1157.00 Pro Service/Minor Equip, Warne Chemical & Equipment Co 2580.89 Supplies/Repair, Wheelco Truck & Trailer Parts 13.62 Repair. Payroll: Commissioners 8547.45, Election 1960.69, Auditor Office 11373.79, Treasurer Office 8382.90, State's Atty Office 7962.83, Gen Building 4290.41, Dir of Equal Office 13189.90, Reg of Deeds Office 7105.17, VSO 1216.55, GIS 659.45, Sheriff's Dept 27782.44, County Assist 478.54, Extension 2727.91, Weed 2203.02, Drainage 113.91, Zoning 3899.73, Hwy Dept 66522.93, Emerg Mngmt 4020.49, DNB National Bank 12.94 Payroll Proc.

12) Homan moved, seconded by Kreutner to adjourn. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned.

Mary J Korth, County Auditor Published One Time at the Approximate Cost of

Gary Jaeger, Chairman