

August 7, 2018
Regular Meeting

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday August 7 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman DeJong presiding. Those present were Commissioners DeJong, Jaeger, Rhody, Pederson and Dumke. Also present was Auditor Pam Lynde. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

1) Rhody moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of July 3 and 17 and special meeting of July 30. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

2) Dumke moved, seconded by Pederson to approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes and the motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

9:05 Highway Superintendent Jamie Hintz

Hintz met with the Commissioners to discuss several highway related issues. Discussion was held on the bid ready plan agreements for bridge replacement projects for Bridge 20-065-189 a replacement of concrete bridge in Hidewood Township; Bridge 20-065-196 in Hidewood Township. Hintz said cast in place bridges must be done according to state regulations. The BIG program is based on points with more points a project has the higher the ranking will be towards getting a grant. Points are awarded for condition of bridge; traffic count on bridges; detour length. 3) Jaeger moved, seconded by Dumke to approve and sign the letter of contract for engineering services for Bridge 20-065-189 and Bridge 20-065-196 with Banner & Associates with engineering services for each project not to exceed \$42,000 with amount including reimbursable expenses. All voted yes and motion carried.

4) Pederson moved, seconded by Dumke to schedule a public hearing for August 21st at 10:30 a.m. for the purpose of supplementing the 2018 Road & Bridge budget. All voted yes and motion carried.

Hintz presented a road use agreement for Hwy 212 detour project that would use County roads #309 west and #310 north to 212. Hintz will discuss further with the SD DOT and bring back to the next meeting.

The Commissioners also talked about the new overlay on County Road #310, 486th Ave from 166th Street to 179th Street. 5) Jaeger moved, seconded by Pederson to place a 9 ton load limit on County Road #310 from 179th to 166th Streets. All voted yes and motion carried.

Hintz also gave the Commissioners information on the possibility of using plastic culverts with pricing off the Minnesota state bid list; crush value is strong and won't rot. 6) Dumke moved, seconded by Jaeger to buy plastic culverts off Minnesota State bid list. All voted yes and motion carried. Hintz said the proposed overlay projects for 2019 are located three miles south in Grange Township on County Road #313 and three miles south of Toronto on County Road #317.

9:30 Deputy Cory Borg-Taser Upgrade

Borg discussed the need to upgrade the Tasers used by the Sheriff's Office. He said they currently have four Tasers and will eventually have to upgrade; current Tasers will not be able to be serviced after 2019. Borg presented two quotes, one to buy outright and the other proposal a five year contract, paying so much per year; Tasers would be under warranty for five years under the five year program and if purchased outright each has a one year warranty. If purchased all in one year the price would be 1022.00 per Taser and with added accessories cost would be 9416.00 for six Tasers; will outfit four deputies and sheriff and have one spare. The price under the Taser 60 program would be 1468.00 first year with trade in of used Tasers; years 2-5 payments are 1680.00 per year 8188.00 total payment. The possible purchase will be discussed further at the next meeting.

10:00 Director of Equalization Donna Rhody-Veteran & Elderly Assessment Freeze Requests

Director Rhody presented requests on two parcels, one for Disabled Veteran and one for Elderly Assessment Freeze for 2018 payable 2019 assessments. Both persons missed the April 1 deadline but otherwise qualify for the real property tax assessment freeze provided under SDCL 10-6A-4 and 10-4-40. 7) Jaeger moved, seconded by Dumke to approve the Elderly Assessment Freeze and Disabled Veteran Freeze for 2018 payable 2019 and abate difference of taxes (in 2019) on each parcel due to lower valuation. All voted yes and the motion carried.

10:30 Avangrid Renewables-Jesse Bermel, Mandy Bohnenblust, Brett Koenecke

Jesse Bermel representing Avangrid Renewables, a wind energy company, met with the Commissioners to discuss the wind tower project located in Blom and Scandinavia Townships of Deuel County. He introduced Mandy Bohnenblust the permitting manager for the project and Brett Koenecke attorney for Avangrid. Bermel gave a brief update on the wind energy project; 100 megawatts; 25-39 towers; 2.5 to 4.5 megawatt towers ranging from 250 to 500 feet. Mandy Bohnenblust will be working on permitting of the project; has been in the field over ten years; will be surveying within the next year and hope to start construction within a year. Koenecke stated because of the number of megawatts the project will not need to be permitted by the state PUC. Road agreements between the county, townships and Avangrid will have to be in place before the project is started. Bermel said they plan to start the permitting process with the Zoning Board in late 2018 or early 2019.

11:00 Drainage

8) Dumke moved, seconded by Jaeger to adjourn as County Commission and reconvene as Drainage Board. All voted yes and motion carried. Matt Bekaert presented an application to drain on the NE1/4 4-116-47 with the water flowing to the east with outlets in SE14 4-116-47 and N1/2 3-116-47 eventually into Crow Creek with the proposed length of the drain being approximately 6900 feet using five and six inch tile. He had secured the sign off of adjoining land owners and had secured the wetland determination. 9) Pederson moved, seconded by Dumke to approve and issue Drainage Permit #D18-10 to Matt Bekaert on the above described property. All voted yes and motion carried. 10) Dumke moved, seconded by Rhody to adjourn as Drainage Board and reconvene as County Commission. All voted yes.

11:30 State's Attorney John Knight

State's Attorney Knight met with the Commissioners and discussed several items.

Approve Cash Balance Sheet

11) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve the cash balance sheet for the month of July. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**DEUEL COUNTY AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT
WITH TREASURER**

END OF MONTH CASH BALANCE	July 2018
CASH TOTAL	\$ 1,353.00
CHECKS TOTAL	\$ 12,289.79
CASH ITEM	\$
CASH CHANGE SHERIFF	\$ 50.00
TOTAL CASH ASSETS ON HAND	\$ 13,692.79
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$ 247,484.30
MM DNB NATIONAL BANK	\$ 4,059.48
PREMIUM MM FIRST BANK & TRUST OF TORONTO	\$5,834,200.34
CREDIT CARDS	\$ 314.40
CD'S \$250,000 DNB	\$ 250,000.00
REVOLVING LOAN	\$ 99,225.24
GRAND TOTAL CASH ASSETS	\$ 6,448,976.55
GL CASH BALANCE BY FUNDS:	
GENERAL	\$ 1,916,688.68
SP REVENUE FUNDS	\$ 4,250,447.69
TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS	\$ 281,840.18
townships \$43,842.88 Cities \$12,316.11	
schools \$21,584.50 rural fire \$24,757.27	

TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH

\$6,448,976.55

Travel, Water Cooler, Meeting Date Change, Personnel

12) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve and pay travel expense for Director of Equalization Office to attend Assessor's School, DOE workshop Sept. 12-13 and Ag Workshop Aug. 27 and pay registration fees for officials to attend state convention in Pierre. All voted yes and motion carried.

13) Jaeger moved, seconded by Dumke to approve the purchase of a water cooler at approximate cost of \$130 and water for system from Tri State Water. All voted yes and the motion carried.

14) Jaeger moved, seconded by Dumke to change the meeting date of the first meeting in Sept. to Wednesday September 5 due to Labor Day holiday. All voted yes and motion carried.

15) Rhody moved, seconded by Jaeger to hire Jon Ruby as cover staff when Janitor Scott Ruby is on vacation or has an emergency at 10.00 per hour. All voted yes and motion carried.

Public Comments: There were no comments from the public at this meeting.


APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

16) Rhody moved, seconded by Dumke 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 239.88 Supplies, A-Ox Welding Supply 44.39 Rental, Arrowwood Resort 203.90 Travel, Banner Associates Inc 2685.50 Prof Serv, Donnie Begalka 51.80 Judge/Travel, Bituminous Paving Inc 1300120.94 Complete Rds 310&513 2017 Bid, Bjerke Sanitation 218.00 Utilities, Bowes Construction 1338.49 Hot Mix, Bratland Law 197.40 CAA Fees, Brownlee Construction 40860.75 Gravel Crushing, Credit Collections Bureau 30.44 Collections, City Of Clear Lake 207.65 Utilities, Clear Lake Courier 396.27 Supplies/Publication, Codington County Auditor 3075.00 Prisoner Care, Carla Coplan 72.80 Judge/Travel, Cowboy Country Stores 156.25 Fuel, Dakota Portable Toilets 225.00 Rental, Dakotabilities 360.00 Prof Svc, Dataspec Inc 449.00 Prof Svc, Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 7330.89 Supplies/Gas/Diesel, Deuel County Motor Supply 658.87 Repairs/Supplies, The Lodge At Deadwood 626.00 Travel, Deuel Area Development Inc 3750.00 3rd Qrt Support, Willard J Dumke 33.99 Repairs, Dust-Tex Service 388.38 Mat Rental, Ecolab Pest Elimination 69.02 Prof Serv, Doug Feten 39.83 Judge/Travel, First Bank & Trust 34.04 Credit Card/Fuel, Fritz Chevrolet Inc 724.58 Repairs, Dawn Fritz 29.40 Travel, Galls 112.00 Supplies, Green Roby Oviatt 279.00 CAA Fees, Stephanie Gruener 178.12 Fair Judge/Travel, H-D Electric Coop 297.15 Repairs, Helena Agri-Enterprises 450.00 Chemical, Hillyard 108.33 Supplies, Human Service Agency 2700.00 3rd Qrt Support, ICAP 3042.66 Comm Serv Worker Support, ITC 2188.81 Phone/Internet, J & L Machine 152.86 Repairs, Jebro Inc 210382.24 Road Oil, Kibble Equipment 916.39 Repairs/Supplies, Shirley Krause 35.00 Fair Judge, Tara Krause 64.40 Fair Judge/Travel, L G Everist Inc 1524.84 Gravel, Deb Lessman 668.84 Travel/Supplies, Kayce Lessman 113.12 Fair Judge/Travel;, Tigh Lessman 83.30 Fair Judge/Travel, Lifescape 120.00 Client Support, Mac's Inc 82.14 Repairs/Supplies, Maynards 101.12 Supplies, Menards 69.97 Supplies, Microfilm Imaging Systems 160.00 Scan Equip Rental, Sheila Monnier 25.00 Prof Svc, Nelson Law Office 300.80 CAA Fees, Northern Con-Ag 5828.92 Pea Rock, Mary Nosbush 47.60 Fair Judge/Travel,

Northwestern Energy 110.10 Utilities, Office Peeps 1558.10 Supplies, Ottertail Power Co 1449.23 Utilities, Pheasantland Industries 396.52 Reflective Clothing, Prairie Lakes Healthcare 170.00 Blood Alcohol, Public Safety Equipment Co 344.82 Supplies, Pam Raeder 63.56 Fair Judge/Travel, RC Technologies 150.00 911 Signal, Roelefson Implement 61.50 Repairs, Running's Supply 611.82 Repairs/Supplies, Sanford Health Plan 40.00 Flex Fees, Sanford Clinic 2777.25 Health Nurse Contract, SD DOT 1508.94 Fuel, SD Dept Of Public Safety 2730.00 Teletype Service Rental, SD Federal Property Agency 228.50 Supplies, SDAAO 600.00 Conference Reg. DOE, SDACC 2336.00 3rd Qrt Legal Expense Relief, SD Public Assurance Alliance 147.45 Add Tractor/Loader Ins, Share Corp. 146.06 Supplies, Kay Solberg 35.00 Fair Judge, Star Laundry 194.19 Rental, Streicher's 849.00 Body Vest, Deb Sundem 60.20 Judging/Travel, Thomson Reuters - West 1224.14 Law Books, TrueNorth Steel 6231.20 Culverts, Twin Valley Tire 134.21 Repairs, Ultra-Connecting Point 505.00 Prof Svc, Jen Von Eye 35.00 Photography Judge, W.W. Tire Service 42.85 Repairs, Warne Chemical & Equipment 16.20 Repairs, Westmor Industries 10.14 Supplies, Wheelco Truck & Trailer Parts 230.04 Repairs, Kara Zaug 51.80 Fair Judge/Travel, Jennifer Zirbel 171.64 Judge/Travel, Thomas Reuter Payment Center 345.38 Law Books, Ottertail Power 58.89 Utility, Northwestern Energy 23.12 Utility, DNB National Bank 12.87 Payroll Process Fee, Sanford Health 73.49 Flex Run, City of Watertown 4361.92 911 Surcharge, Verizon 376.64 Sheriff Cell Phones, Schools 157123.85 Taxes, EDWDD 157.00 Taxes, Townships 73485.44 Taxes, Rural Fire Dist. 702.45 Taxes, Cities 22700.30 Taxes, Payroll: Commissioners 8030.75, Auditor's Office 10282.55, Treasurer's Office 8378.10, State's Attorney Office 8060.53, General Gov't Bldg. 5177.68, Director of Equalization Office 11912.89, Register of Deeds Office 5851.06, Veteran Service Officer 1136.96, Sheriff's Office 28310.42, County Assistance 387.66, 4-H Service Center 206.44, Weed & Pest 8473.00, Drainage 126.72, Planning & Zoning 1788.28, Road & Bridge Fund 61033.25, Emergency Management 2586.25.

Adjournment

Pederson moved, seconded by Dumke to adjourn. The next regular meeting will be held August 21.

ATTEST:  Pam L. Lynde, County Auditor

Gary DeJong, Chairman

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