

## **REGULAR MEETING OF BRULE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**October 19, 2023**

The Board of Brule County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. at the Brule County Courthouse. Members present: Carson, Mairose, Dozark, and DeBoer. Swanson was absent. Also present: Dedrich Koch, Deputy States Attorney, Mike Schlaffman, Highway Superintendent, Katheryn Benton, Emergency Manager, Dan Overweg and Janet Petrak, Central Dakota Times.

### **APPROVE MINUTES**

Commissioner DeBoer moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to approve the minutes of 10-5-2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dan Overweg was in to discuss the burn ban with the Commissioners as he was unsure why we were one of the only counties to still have one. He said once you submit a burn plan it seemed as though it took several days to get accepted to do a burn. Dan also asked how Commissioners decide how much of a fine to give to a person as there were several fines given out for varying amounts.

### **NACO**

National Association of County Officials asked the Counties to make a one-time payment of \$1000.00 to support the National Center for Public Lands Counties. Commissioner DeBoer moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to pay the one-time yearly membership of \$1000.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

### **TRAVEL**

Commissioner Mairose moved and Commissioner DeBoer seconded to approve Pam Petrak to attend the Safety Benefits training November 1 & 2, 2023. One night motel room at \$94.00/night, meals and registration fee. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

### **PERSONNEL**

Commissioner Mairose moved and Commissioner DeBoer seconded to approve a .50/hour increase (\$19.19) for Chase Olney, Highway Worker as he has passed his probationary period, effective October 24, 2023, as he has passed his written test for his CDL and just has his driving portion left. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Dozark moved and Commissioner DeBoer seconded to hire/transfer Lester Thompson Jr from the Jail to the Highway Department effective in 2 to 4 weeks at \$19.19/Hour (.50 less during the first 90 days) All members votes aye. Motion carried.

### **SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Sheriff Miller came in and talked to the Commissioners about the State Bids with Lamb Motors that were placed last year for the current year. They have one pickup available and one that is not yet finished. The Sheriff's Office budgeted to purchase a truck for the 2024 year. Commissioners recommended that Sheriff Miller tell Lamb Motors we will take the truck they have in stock to use for next year.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner DeBoer moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to enter executive session at 10:03 am to discuss contract/personnel issues. Executive session declared over at 10:21 am. No action taken.

### **REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**

The Brule County Courthouse is a host for the Festival of Trees, along with the Hall of Fame. The Courthouse has 13 trees planned so far.

## **APPROVE CLAIMS**

Commissioner Dozark moved and Commissioner DeBoer seconded to approve the following bills and payroll. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

### **GENERAL FUND**

**Salaries:** Commissioners, 1551.90; Auditor, 3363.42; Treasurer, 3374.56; States Attorney, 6332.83; Assessor, 1984.37; Planning Commission, 220.49; Register of Deeds, 3364.96; Sheriff, 10,724.59; Jail, 12031.73; Courthouse, 1482.55; Veteran Service, 817.46; Victim Witness Coordinator, 204.38; Weed & Pest; 1370.40. Coroner, 75.00.

**FICA & Medicare:** First Dakota Bank, 3718.36. **Retirement:** SDRS, 2826.28. **Insurance Reimbursement:** 3388.66. **Insurance:** ABA 4287.05. AT&T Mobility, 40.04; B&L Communications, 1,747.85; Brooks Hardware, 10.99; Burke Oil Company, 2,976.97; Byre Brothers Inc, 159.00; C&B Operations, 24.82; Carswap, 142.13; Central Dakota Times, 298.21; Central Electric cooperative, 122.00; Dakotabilities, 180.00; Dozark, Gary, 357.00; Edge Concrete Construction, 4,335.00; Enviromaster Inc, 79.00; Hein Law Office, 5,403.37; Hickey Funeral Home, 3,280.00; Hughes County, 885.00; International Association of Assessing Officers, 240.00; Johnson Pochop Law Office, 1,579.30; KO Winterizing, 132.00; Mairose & Steele, Prof LLC, 130.00; Mastercard, 322.60; Microfilm imaging Systems, 409.00; Midstate Communications, 994.23; Midwest Boiler, 2,022.96; Mitchell Regional 911, 2,962.05; Office Products Center, 469.64; Petty Cash, 105.65; Reliance Telephone INC, 400.00; Relix Inc, 643.09; Riverview Chevrolet Buck, 1,396.74; Safe-N-Secure Security, 659.93; Sanford Health Network, 448.00; Schumacher Elevator Company, 222.15; SD Assn of Co Commissioners, 1,216.63; SD Dept of Health, 80.00; SDSU Extension, 758.64; Shields Embroidery & Design, 129.00; Tech Solutions, 675.00; Verizon Connect, 80.50; Verizon Wireless, 41.92; Wermers, Dava, 2,039.05; Wex Health inc, 25.00; Department of Revenue, 138,504.04.

### **911 FUND**

Midstate Communications, 332.67; Mitchell Regional 911, 20,497.02.

### **ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**

**Salaries:** 12,528.22. **FICA & Medicare:** First Dakota Bank, 943.86. **Retirement:** SDRS, 751.71. **Insurance:** ABA 1781.25. Aurora Brule Water, 35.00; Brooks Hardware, 190.47; Brule Co Co-op Assn, 2,485.98; Burke Oil Company, 2,305.12; Butler, 377.65; Central Dakota Times, 565.70; Central Electric Cooperative, 82.00; CHS Farmers Alliance, 162.04; City of Kimball, 46.20; Heath Lumber Co, 5,558.52; Mastercard, 598.83; Midstate Communications, 171.30; Office Products Center, 439.99; R&J Gravel, Inc, 1,853.88; Scott Supply Company, Inc, 371.28; Tech Solutions, 10.00; Verizon Wireless, 41.92; WW Tire Service Inc, 325.00.

### **24/7 FUND**

**Salaries:** 137.62. **FICA & Medicare:** First Dakota Bank, 12.98. **Retirement:** SDRS, 11.01. **Insurance Reimbursement:** 27.80. **Insurance:** 2.34. Micro Distributing II, Lt, 355.59; Petty Cash, 21.00; Tech Solutions, 20.00.

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND**

**Salaries:** 684.88. **FICA & Medicare:** First Dakota Bank, 76.85. **Retirement:** SDRS, 41.09. **Insurance Reimbursement:** 319.67. Midstate Communications, 67.20; Office Products Center, 46.99; Tech Solutions, 30.00.

### **DOMESTIC ABUSE**

Missouri Valley Crisis Center, 532.19.

### **GAVILON TIF DISTRICT**

Gavilon Grain, 77,348.98.

### **REGISTER OF DEEDS MODERNIZATION & PRESERVATION FUND**

Executive Management Finance, 253.32; Microfilm Imaging Systems, 235.00; SD Assn of Co Commissioners, 110.00.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to adjourn at 10:34 am with the next meeting being held on 11-2-2023 at 9:30 am. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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PAMELA PETRAK  
BRULE COUNTY AUDITOR

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BRAD CARSON  
BOARD OF BRULE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS