**REGULAR MEETING OF BRULE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**April 29, 2024**

The Board of Brule County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. at the Brule County

Courthouse. Members present: DeBoer, Dozark, Swanson, Carson, and Mairose. Also present: Theresa Maule, States Attorney and Janet Petrak, Central Dakota Times. No public comments or conflicts of interest were noted.

# APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to approve the minutes of April 18, 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**OACOMA, CHAMBERLAIN, PUKWANA AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Jeff Tveit and Bradee Pazour met with the Board to discuss the establishment of the Oacoma, Chamberlain, Pukwana Area Community Foundation. The foundation was created for establishing an endowment fund to provide funding for various projects in these communities. Contributions can be made in any amount and several different ways. The SD Community Foundation has formed a Community Savings Account with several communities for this purpose. For more information go to [www.sdcommunityfoundation.org/OCP](http://www.sdcommunityfoundation.org/OCP) The foundation is in a challenge with SD Community Foundation to raise $200,000 by February 2027 and receive a match of $50,000 from the Community Savings Account.

**PERSONNEL**

Commissioner Dozark moved and Commissioner Swanson seconded to approve Steve Meyer as a part time intern in the States Attorney’s Office 3 days a week from May 13 to July 31, 2024 at $15.00/hour. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**AG BUILDING**

C & R Landscaping submitted a quote to mow the Ag Building for $145.00/mowing from April to October as needed according to weather conditions.

C & R Landscaping also submitted a quote to remove some trees, grind stumps, fill and seed along the north fence as they are hard to mow around. Quote was $876.60.

Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to approve both quotes. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

# BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to enter as Board of Equalization regarding corrections of valuations at 8:48 am.

The following land values in the Cedar Heights Addition were found to be assessed incorrectly and were adjusted; acre one is assessed at $45,000/acre and acre two is assessed at $3,850/acre.

Parcel #29-080-07-0000 – Patrick Konechne – reduced from $86,400 to $48,542

Parcel #29-080-05-0000 – James Baukus – reduced from $69,300 to $47,079

Parcel #29-080-06-0000 – Joel Eggers – reduced from $69,300 to $47,079

Parcel #29-082-01-0500 – Michael Newton – reduced from $89,100 to $48,773

Parcel #29-083-01-0900 – Alex Permann – reduced from $57,600 to $46,078

Parcel #29-083-01-1400 – Jessica Meagher – reduced from $45,450 to $45,039

Parcel #29-082-01-0600 – Aileen Priebe – reduced from $76,050 to $47,657

Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to approve the changes. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Discretionary Formula Adjustments: Several errors were found in applying the discretionary formulas to structures – some structures were omitted from the tax rolls, some valuations were incorrect, they have been adjusted and the discretionary formula applied. Commissioner Swanson and Commissioner Dozark abstained from the vote.

1. Parcel 29-320-75-0012 -Schwiesow Family Trust b) Parcel 18-024-01-0000 – Joseph Hanten

c) Parcel 26-029-01-0000 – Kroupa Farms d) Parcel 01-010-02-0020 – Gary Konechne

e) Parcel 30-050-02-0700 – Overweg Properties f) Parcel 12-800-34-0001 – Luke Mairose

g) Parcel 27-008-01-0001 – Rose L7 Ranch h) Parcel 04-026-01-0000 – Gary Dozark

i) Parcel 20-027-04-0000 – Jeffrey Ashley j) Parcel 18-020-02-0001 - Chris Husman

k) Parcel 15-002-03-0000 – Phillip Larson l) Parcel 20-006-03-0000 - Scott Swanson

m) Parcel 28-001-02-0030 – Steve Breding n) Parcel 24-034-04-0000 - Wagon Wheel Ranch

o) Parcel 26-009-03-0000 – R & J Urban p) Parcel 13-017-04-0000 - Dennis Leiferman

q) Parcel 20-031-01-0001 – Swanson Brothers r) Parcel 04-022-02-0000 - Olson Family Trust

s) Parcel 21-009-04-0000 – Thompson Family t) Parcel 29-320-23-0016 - Golden Properties

Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to approve the changes the Director of Equalization has found. Mairose, DeBoer and Carson voted aye. Dozark and Swanson abstained. Motion carried.

The following values were incorrect in the system and will be corrected back to the 2023 values:

1. Parcel 12-017-01-0000 – Joseph Lenz l) Parcel 07-003-02-0040 – BCM Pork LLC
2. Parcel 15-003-04-0000 – John Swanson m) Parcel 12-909-01-0000 - AgTegra Coop
3. Parcel 29-320-23-0016 - Golden Properties n) Parcel 16-006-01-0010 – Big Hat Outdoors
4. Parcel 09-010-01-0100 – Joel Pazour o) Parcel 16-903-01-0500 – Central Storage
5. Parcel 12-004-03-0000 – Viterra USA Grain p) Parcel 09-019-03-0031 – Brian Keiner
6. Parcel 12-009-01-0200 – SDR Holding q Parcel 16-003-01-0000 – Gary Goodman Jr
7. Parcel 12-009-01-0300 – Iron Horse Dev r) Parcel 22-925-01-0301 – Tory Engel
8. Parcel 01-024-03-0000 – Cedar Grove Hutterian s) Parcel 16-903-01-0600 – Central Storage
9. Parcel 12-004-03-0100 – Ag Tegra Coop t) Parcel 31-010-13-1100 – Brule County Co op
10. Parcel 12-010-04-0000 – Foxley Brothers u) Parcel 31-040-03-0500 – William Leiferman
11. Parcel 06-016-02-0000 – Grass Ranch Hutteritte v)Parcel 29-320-78-0009 – Chamberlain Processing

Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to approve the changes the Director of Equalization found. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

The number of acres assessed for Travis Vaad and John Rose need to be adjusted: Travis Vaad change from 41.94 to 42.56 acres and John Rose will decrease from 118.35 to 117.44 acres per the purchasing agreement.

Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to approve the changes the Director of Equalization found. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Board of Equalization was closed at 9:48 am and the board continued as the Board of Commissioners to conduct the rest of the agenda items.

**COURTROOM SOUND SYSTEM UPDATE**

Kim Alison, 1st Circuit Court Administrator sent a quote from AVI Systems to update the sound system in the Courtroom as ITV hearings, Zoom and conference calls do not go through the current sound system and speakers making it difficult to hear and respond and record the proceedings. The quote is for $24,447.47 and when the County has paid for the project $10,000 can be refunded to the County from the Unified Judicial Service. Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Swanson seconded to approve the bid. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**PLAT**

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to approve the following plat: Tracts 1 and 2 of Priebe Addition in the SE ¼ of Section 6 T 104 N R 70 W of the 5th PM, Brule County, SD. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

# EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Dozark moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to enter executive session at 10:03 am to discuss personnel and legal issues. Executive session declared over at 10:30 am.

# REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

The following reports were received and placed on file in the County Auditor’s office: National Opioid Settlements, Southeast Central District Meeting Notice.

# APPROVE CLAIMS

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

**GENERAL FUND**

***Salaries:*** Commissioners, 1547.70; Auditor, 3437.56; Treasurer, 3454.49; States Attorney, 6091.33; Register of Deeds, 3457.56; Sheriff, 10,010.36; Jail, 12,805.29; Courthouse, 1488.00; Assessor, 2577.44; Planning Commission, 284.30; Veteran Service, 829.22; Victim Witness Coordinator, 236.79. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 3623.99. ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 2766.62. ***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 3782.57. ***Insurance:*** ABA, 5239.29. Bill’s Handyman Service, 723.67; Black Hills Chemical & Janitorial, 211.95; Bomgars Supply, 148.69; C & R Landscaping & Design, 1375.80; Elections Systems & Software, 958.68; Enviromaster Inc, 88.00; First Dakota Bank, 265.65; Hein Law Office, 3285.23; Hopkins Plumbing, Heating & Air, 138.71; Hughes County, 11,625.00; Johnson Controls, 5293.34; Mairose & Steele Professionals LLC, 612.90; Microfilm Imaging Systems, 409.00; Miller, Darrell, 2682.00; Mitchell Regional 911, 3,199.55; Myers Collision Center, LLC, 500.00; Northwestern, 2591.68; Office Products Center 444.32; Olson’s Pest Tech Inc, 85.00; Petty Cash, 85.35; Sanford Health Network, 784.00; Sinkie Auto Repair LLC, 115.67; SD Association of County Commissioners, 505.00; SD Department of Health, 11,661.00; SD DOT, 54.26; SDSU Extension, 502.49; Steve Smith Law Office, 161.60; Team Laboratory Chemical, 284.16; Verizon Connect, 100.63; Verizon Wireless, 171.06.

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**

***Salaries:*** 12,884.90. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 974.39. ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 773.10.

***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 328.36. ***Insurance:*** ABA 2400.00 C & B Operations, 467.16; Northwestern, 464.10; RDO Equipment, 1965.75; Truenorth Steel, 5075.40.

**911 FUND**

Mitchell Regional 911, 22,080.30.

**24/7 FUND**

***Salaries:*** 182.97. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 16.51. ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 14.64. ***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 26.85. ***Insurance:*** 2.34. Micro Distributing II, 465.62; Safe N Secure , 1947.34.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND**

***Salaries:*** 699.30. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 64.95 ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 41.96. ***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 328.36.

**ROD MODERNIZTION & PRESERVATION FUND**

Microfilm Imaging Systems, 235.00.

# ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to adjourn at 10:42 am with the next meeting being held on 5-16-2024 at 9:30 am. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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