

October 21, 2014  
Regular Meeting

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday October 21 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Pederson presiding. Those present were Commissioners Dumke, Jaeger, Rhody and Pederson. Commissioner Boone was absent. Also present was Auditor Pam Lynde.

**Approval of Agenda** 1) Dumke moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes and the motion carried.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

##### **9:05 Jamie Hintz Highway Superintendent**

Hintz discussed several highway related issues with the Commissioners. Hintz said the striping of county roads by the state, is finished. He said he had received a request from the town of Brandt to reduce the speed limit on county road #312 running east and west of Brandt to 35 or 40 mph. The Commissioners made no decision on the request until further input is received on the request. Hintz again discussed the signage project being done throughout the County and expressed disappointment in the overall project. Hintz said he will be sending each township a letter asking them to name what problems they have with the signage in their area. 2) Jaeger moved, seconded by Dumke to promote Dallas Olson to heavy equipment/blade operator .25 hr. increase in pay as of Oct. 20. All voted yes motion carried.

##### **9:45 State's Attorney John Knight**

Knight met with the Commissioners to discuss several issues. He said he had taken the deposition of County Assistance #14-02. He also had prepared wording to update the personnel policy manual. Knight also discussed old taxes due on a property and the need for those to be paid or a tax deed will be taken on the property. Knight discussed the taxes due on record #4209 Lot 3 Blk. 1 AJ Lockhart's Addition town of Clear Lake which has two houses on the tax bill, one a residence and one a rental property. The properties have now been separated by Director of Equalization Office. 3) Dumke moved, seconded by Jaeger to authorize the Treasurer and Auditor to apportion the taxes and accept payment of the rental home to show those taxes are paid on Lot 2 Block 1 of AJ Lockhart's Addition town of Clear Lake with the second half to show them split off. All voted yes and the motion carried.

##### **10:15 Community Health Nurse Tammy Baer**

Health Nurse Tammy Baer met with the Commissioners and gave a quarterly update from the Health Nurse Office. Baer stated that WIC numbers are up to 55 per month which is an increase over previous quarter. She also introduced Stephanie Dobbs Director of Nursing to the Commission. Baer said to date they have given 800 flu shots and they did go out to various communities in Deuel County to do clinics. A short discussion was held with Dobbs on the Ebola outbreak and measures the hospital would take if a case is diagnosed.

##### **10:30 Johnson Controls**

Representatives Tom Hunstad and Brent Rice from Johnson Controls met with the Commissioners to talk about and explain the yearly service contract. A new boiler was installed three years ago that has shown savings in energy costs. The chiller was also replaced several years ago and the software system to run boiler and chiller is being

upgraded. Rice talked about the yearly maintenance agreement and said it would be a 3% increase over the 2014 contract. He also presented the premium coverage agreement; preventative maintenance plus it would also cover failure of equipment with cost effectiveness depending on risk management. 4) Rhody moved, seconded by Pederson to approve and sign the one year continuation of current planned service agreement for the annual sum of \$7420. All voted yes and the motion carried.

### **11:15 Drainage**

5) Dumke moved, seconded by Rhody to adjourn as County Commission and reconvene as the Drainage Board. All voted yes and the motion carried. James and Kellie Lewis presented an application to drain on the SE1/4 of 18-114-47 with the water flowing to the west into a slough on their property. They had the wetland determination and had secured the sign off of the adjacent landowner. 6) Jaeger moved, seconded by Dumke to approve application and issue Drainage Permit #D14-17 to James & Kellie Lewis on the above described property. All voted yes and the motion carried.

7) Jaeger moved, seconded by Rhody to adjourn as Drainage Board and reconvene as County Commission. All voted yes and the motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Warrants**

8) Dumke moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the following warrants. All voted yes and the motion carried. AT&T \$158.19 EM Cell Phone, Days Inn \$53.00 DOE Travel, CCB \$499.82 Fees Due, US Postmaster \$2000.00 Postage for Machine, Century Link \$411.92 911 Trunk Lines.

#### **Transfers, General Fund Surplus Analysis, Mailing System, Personnel**

9) Jaeger moved, seconded by Rhody to transfer \$300,000 from General Fund to Highway Fund per 2014 Budget. All voted yes and the motion carried.

10) Rhody moved, seconded by Dumke to transfer from Contingency \$750 101-112-429 to County Building Fund 233-161-425. All voted yes and the motion carried.

11) Rhody moved, seconded by Dumke to approve the Claritus IN600AF Digital Mailing System lease at \$200.06 per month and sign lease agreement. All voted yes and motion carried.

12) Jaeger moved, seconded by Dumke to accept resignation of part time dispatcher Peg Johnson with last day of employment being Nov. 19 and advertise for PT dispatcher. All voted yes and the motion carried.

The General Fund Surplus Analysis as of 09-30-14 was presented. As of September 30 the unreserved, undesignated fund balance in the General Fund was \$989,324.95 which reflects 32.74% of the 2015 General Fund budget.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business Dumke moved, seconded by Jaeger to adjourn the meeting.

Lynn Pederson Chairman  
Deuel County Commission

ATTEST:

Pam L. Lynde, Auditor

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