

March 1, 2022  
Regular Meeting

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Homan presiding. Those present were Commissioners DeJong, Jaeger, Rhody, and Homan as well as Auditor Korth. Commissioner Kreutner was present by phone conference. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance and was then called to order.

**Approval of Agenda**

1) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:**

2) Kreutner moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve the minutes of the regular meetings February 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**APPOINTMENTS**

**9:00 Highway Superintendent Jamie Broksieck**

Broksieck was unable to attend the meeting. Highway Secretary Lisa Jorvig was present. A Haul Road Agreement for power line material was presented. Commissioner Kreutner was concerned about the township roads and a haul road agreement for those roads. 3) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve and sign the Deuel County Road & Bridge Dept. Haul Road Agreement with Power Line Contracting of Montevideo, MN for the moving of power line equipment, with amendments made per State's Attorney Teree Nesvold. All voted yes and motion carried. A copy of the agreement is available in the Auditor's Office as well as the Highway Department.

**Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2(1) for a Personnel Matter**

4) Jaeger moved, seconded by DeJong to move into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2(1) for a personnel matter. All voted yes and motion carried.

5) Jaeger moved, seconded by Rhody to have Chairman Homan declare the meeting out of executive session at 9:20 a.m. All voted yes and motion carried.

6) Jaeger moved, seconded by DeJong that the Board does not oppose donating accumulated sick leave from one employee to another employee due to a family emergency and at the Department Head's discretion. All voted yes and motion carried.

**9:30 4-H Director Deb Lessman**

Lessman met with the commissioners to give updates with the Extension Department. She has been looking for a summer intern to help with activities. The Department hasn't had a summer intern since 2019. 7) Rhody moved, seconded by Kreutner to hire a summer intern for the Extension Department for \$12.00 per hour for 300 hours over the summer months. Advertising costs would be covered by SDSU. All voted yes and motion carried.

Lessman discussed the conditions and repairs of the Fairgrounds barn and bleachers. In recent weeks, the 4H Service Center had a flooding issue and the floor needs replacing. The Center cannot be rented until a new floor is installed. She is looking into quotes for an epoxy floor. The quote would conditional if there is asbestos under the tiles. She will have this investigated. She also gave ideas on renovating the bathrooms as that should be done before the flooring is installed. Much discussion was held on renovations of the 4H Service Center.

**9:45 GFP Representative Josh Cleveland**

Cleveland met with the Board with concerns about the upcoming fire danger season. He is interested in working with the County and keeping a good relationship when it comes to burning restrictions. Other counties give an exemption to State campgrounds during burn bans but he says for a County the size of Deuel, there are better solutions. He says the current county ordinance (dated May/2000) should be reviewed and

updated. He suggested following the National Weather Service SD Grassland Fire Danger Maps or issue burn restrictions during extreme or red flag warnings issued for Deuel County. He has concerns with burn bans in the county following the old ordinance where fires need to be covered. Comments were made that other than just the State Campground at Lake Cochrane, perhaps other lake campgrounds could benefit from an updated ordinance as well. Cleveland will work to get sample ordinances to Auditor Korth from other smaller counties like Deuel to work towards updating the May 2000 Ordinance. State's Attorney Nesvold was present for discussion and will help draft an ordinance that is satisfactory to all interested. Notification of a public hearing and adoption of a new ordinance is intended to be completed prior to the upcoming camping season.

#### **10:00 Emergency Manager Sheila Monnier**

Monnier was unable to attend the meeting. Auditor Korth gave the information for all travel requests.

8) Rhody moved, seconded by DeJong to approve the following travel requests: EM Monnier to Mitchell March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> for Training and Pierre April 12<sup>th</sup> for Active Shooter Training; Monnier and Auditor Korth will be traveling for one day cybersecurity training in Sioux Falls March 11<sup>th</sup>; And for county officials to attend the Sioux Valley Commission meeting held in Clark, SD on March 23, 2022; and for officials to attend Spring Workshop May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in Pierre, SD and deputies to attend Deputy Workshop in Pierre June 22, 2022. All voted yes and motion carried.

#### **10:10 Public Comment**

There was no public voice at this meeting.

#### **10:15 State's Attorney Teree Nesvold**

Nesvold met with the commissioners on updates. She presented a quit claim deed for property transferred between government entities with no consideration. 9) DeJong moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve the quit claim deed transfer of W1/2 of Lot 9 and Lot 10 in Block 7, Original Plat, Town of Astoria, Deuel County, South Dakota to the City of Astoria with no consideration and transfer fee pursuant to SDCL 43-4-22(2) and SDCL 6-5-1. All voted yes and motion carried.

Further discussion was held on third floor security in the Courthouse. The Board and Auditor viewed the area and the discussed the ideas Nesvold and Commissioner Jaeger explained. Jaeger commented funds are available through the State of South Dakota and UJS for court security.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business this meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Travel Requests; Annual Financial Report; ARPA Funds**

Travel requests were approved during EM Monnier's appointment.

The Annual Financial Report for 2021 is near completion and is being reviewed by Legislative Audit. The final report will be available for review at the Deuel County Auditor's Office and will be approved at next Commission Meeting. It will also be published in The Courier before March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

ARPA Funds were discussed. Discussion was held on keeping things simple and within guidelines along with sharing ideas with other counties. The Commissioners will have further discussion with other counties at the Sioux Valley Commission Meeting in Clark on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:**

10) 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. *Warrants To:* A&B Business Solutions 332.45 Supplies, A-Ox Welding Supply Company In 461.00 Rental/Supplies, Appera 394.11 Rental, Bjerke Sanitation 285.00 Garbage, Bratland Law

426.70 Caa, Brian's Glass & Door Inc 363.77 Services, Brock White Company Llc 43.56 Repairs, Butler Machinery Co 3466.41 Repairs/Supplies, Cartney Bearing & Supply Co 36.74 Repairs, Credit Collections Bureau 69.70 Poor Lien, Clear Lake Building Center 638.52 Repair/Supplies, Clear Lake Courier 662.08 Publishing/Supplies, Codington County Auditor 3834.34 Prisoner Care/Supplies, Cole's Petroleum Products, Inc 7156.46 Supplies, Cowboy Country Stores 39.13 Supplies, Crossroads Hotel 275.97 Travel, Dakota Riggers & Tool Supply 906.33 Supplies, Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 4035.70 Repair, Deuel County Motor Supply Inc 460.54 Supply/Repair, Equipment Blades Inc 683.61 Supplies, Fedex 15.76 Services, Florals And Finds 470.00 Dc Bucks Reim, Fritz Chevrolet Inc 65.05 Maintenance, Lori Godfrey 150.00 Dc Bucks Reim, Inter-Lakes Comm Action Inc 1263.50 Comm Service Work, L G Everist Inc 1248.34 Supplies, Ness Door Llc 1053.01 Repair, Deb Lessman 129.21 Travel/Supplies, Blue Tarp Financial, Inc 835.57 Supplies/Repairs, Multi Business Solutions Inc 1500.00 Services, Murphy Tower Services Llc 14.17 Tax Acct, Northern Con-Agg, Llp 3489.79 Supplies, Dennis Nosbush 121.50 Repairs, National Sheriffs' Association 71.00 Fees, Northwestern Energy 40.20 Electricity, Office Peeps Inc 1195.07 Supplies, Ottetail Power Co 71.74 Utilities, Powerplan Oib 806.15 Repairs/Supplies, Running's Supply Inc 375.78 Repairs/Supplies, Sanford Clinic 2929.77 Health Nurse, Sd Dept Of Transportation 104.82 Bridge Inspections, Sd Dept Of Transportation 2710.91 Fuel, Sd Dept Of Public Safety 2730.00 Rental, Sd Federal Property Agency 39.50 Supplies, Sdacc 682.00 Annual Ccpr, Sdacc 367.00 Quarterly Clerp, Sd Assn Co Hwy Superintendents 200.00 Travel, Sd Public Assurance Alliance 94884.89 Insurance, Stee Electric Llc 1106.70 Repairs, Tracker Software Corp, Inc 6875.00 Pubworks, Transource Truck & Equip Inc 179.13 Repairs, W.W. Tire Service Inc 29.97 Repairs, Westmor Industries Llc 596.43 Repairs, Wheelco Truck & Trailer Parts 341.04 Repairs/Supplies. *Payroll*: Commissioners 9353.06, Election 194.78, Auditor Office 15838.28, Treasurer Office 9590.90, State's Atty Office 7588.92, Gen Building 5365.52, Dir of Equal Office 15432.88, Reg of Deeds Office 8184.1, VSO 1308.90, GIS 705.51, Sheriff's Dept 28616.50, County Assist 396.14, 4-H Service 321.70, Extension 3369.50, Weed 1677.61, Zoning 4793.74, Hwy Dept 69463.35, Emerg Mngmt 3548.78.

There being no further business, 11) DeJong moved, seconded by Rhody to adjourn. All voted yes and motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Mary J Korth, County Auditor  
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Judith Homan, Chairman