

June 6th, 2023  
Regular Meeting

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 A.M. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairperson Homan presiding. Those present were Commissioners Scott Fieber, Judith Homan, Jay Grabow and Harry Mewherter. Commissioner Steve Rhody was absent. Also present was Auditor Courtney Parker and several members from the public. The meeting opened with prayer and the pledge of allegiance. 1) Grabow moved, seconded by Fieber to approve the agenda with the addition of executive session. All voted yes and the motion carried. 2) Mewherter moved, seconded by Grabow to approve the minutes from the May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup> meetings. All voted yes and the motion carried.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### **9:00 Highway Superintendent Jamie Broksieck**

Waylon Blasius from Banner, Associates presented a quote for the dig ups that are needed on the new construction on roads 482<sup>nd</sup>, 486<sup>th</sup>, 476<sup>th</sup>, 175<sup>th</sup> and 172<sup>nd</sup>. Banner and Duininck spent many hours determining where dig ups are needed. There are many dig ups that are needed and they are quoted at around \$550,000. Blasius also explained that the fabric will be updated to help with stability. 3) Grabow moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve the quote from Duininck and Banner to do the dig ups for \$550,000 bringing the total contract price to \$5,200,000. All voted yes and the motion carried. Broksieck brought up dust control. There was much discussion on where to draw the line when providing dust control because of the cost to the county. It was discussed that if the county is making the dust to do construction projects or county wide events, they will provide dust control, but any resident inquiring for their own personal use, it would be up to the resident to take care of. The Crystal Springs Rodeo residences will still get dust control as well as a portion at Lake Cochrane do to safety.

#### **9:50 Veteran Service Officer Dennis Evenson**

Evenson gave a report on what he's been working on this year. Burial benefits are something he deals with quite a bit which has to do with where they died and pension. Evenson explained pension is dependent on income. The purpose is to help bridge the gap after one income is gone after someone is deceased. There are two types of pensions; over age 65 unable to work or under age 65 and disabled. Evenson explained they do offer help with eye care, hearing, dental, chiro etc. Since Deuel County is under 5000 population, qualifying veterans are able to get help for transportation to and from appointments. Evenson does the applications and enrollments for veterans otherwise they would not get to have benefits that are owed to them. He stated he does help inform on Memorial Day services, Veterans Day services, etc. Evenson explained he likes to ask veterans about their service and where they served.

#### **10:00 Public Hearing Ordinance #B2022-01-02A Rezoning**

The Commissioners held the second reading of Ordinance #B2022-01-02A. The Ordinance would issue a change in zoning classification for Jeremy Wipf property that is described as NE1/4NW1/4NE1/4 & W268' N661.47' NE1/4NE1/4 in Section Twenty-eight (28), Township 113 North, Range 47, West of the 5th P.M., (Scandinavia Township) in Deuel County, South Dakota to "AG" Agricultural District from "CI" Commercial/Industrial District. 4) Fieber moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve Ordinance #B2022-01-02A and publish. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**10:10 Zoning and Planning Officer Jodi Theisen**

Theisen presented one plat to the board. 5) Grabow moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve the “PLAT OF LOTS 1 AND 2 OF LANDSMAN ADDITION IN THE NW ¼ OF SECTION 26, T113N, R49W OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., DEUEL COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA” and Resolution 23-17. All voted yes and the motion carried

**RESOLUTION NO 23-17**

It was moved by Grabow, seconded by Mewherter, motion carried, the “**PLAT OF LOTS 1 AND 2 OF LANDSMAN ADDITION IN THE NW ¼ OF SECTION 26, T113N, R49W OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., DEUEL COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA**”, as described above and hereon be approved and accepted and the Chairman is hereby instructed to endorse on such plat.

Dated 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

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CHAIRMAN, DEUEL COUNTY BOARD  
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

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COUNTY AUDITOR  
DEUEL COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

**10:20 Cory Borg with the Gary Fire Department**

Borg spoke on behalf of Gary Fire Department. They have purchased an ambulance and started stocking the vehicle. The ambulance is not yet licensed but the work is being done to do so. 90% of Deuel County is handled by Deuel County Ambulance. Borg suggested that the Gary Ambulance follows the Gary Fire District which would help reduce response time for Gary residents as well as north of Gary and Lake Cochrane areas. Currently they have eight EMTs; one of the eight EMTs is a Paramedic. They currently have six drivers for the ambulance. It is required to have one EMT and one driver on a call. The Gary Ambulance is estimated to run 20 calls a year. Currently there are 572 miles for Deuel County Ambulance to cover. The Gary Ambulance is roughly going to cover 109 miles and Deuel County Ambulance would still continue to have the rest. Gary Ambulance would transport to Clear Lake, Hendricks and Canby hospitals. Homan would like to see business plan including things such as a roster, operating expenses, area affected, insurance coverage, etc. Borg asked for \$10,500 one-time financial aid to help with the start of Gary Ambulance. Chairperson Homan tabled the topic until next meeting.

**10:40 Casey Severson with Clear Lake Summer Rec**

Severson asked the Board of Commissioners for funding towards their summer rec baseball and softball programs. They would like to put in a new batting cage at Lavin Field. Roughly four years ago the wind destroyed the batting cage and it is no longer there. She stated that the interest in baseball/softball is increasing in Deuel County and many people have asked about a batting cage. 6) Grabow moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve the funding \$500 to the Summer Rec program in Clear Lake. All voted yes and motion carried.

**10:50 Sheriff Cory Borg**

Borg presented the jail contract with Roberts County. Roberts County is \$115 per day which is higher than the \$95 a day in other contracts but Borg thinks it's valuable because they collect warrants for the county and if they are not able to drive up and get prisoners that day it bridges the gap. 7) Fieber moved, seconded by Grabow to approve the jail contract with Roberts County at \$115 per day. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**10:50 Emergency Manager Sheila Monnier**

Monnier stated she has been cleaning up paperwork and projects so the transition to the new Emergency Manager, Cory Borg, is as easy as they can make it. She has been forwarding information to Borg as its come up.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discretionary Resolution Update, First Meeting in July, Travel Request for DOE Staff, Approve May Cash Balance Sheet, Emergency Management Vehicle**

8) Grabow moved, seconded by Fieber to approve updated Discretionary Resolution 23-18. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**Deuel County Resolution No. 23-18  
Discretionary Formula SDCL 10-6-137**

WHEREAS, the County of Deuel County, State of South Dakota, has deemed it in the best interest of the County to adopt a Resolution implementing a Discretionary Formula for the reduced taxation of new structures and additions and partially constructed structures pursuant to SDCL § 10-6-137.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following properties shall be, and hereby are, specifically classified for the purpose of taxation pursuant to SDCL § 10-6-137:

Any new industrial or commercial structure, or any addition, renovation, or reconstruction to an existing structure, located within a designated urban renewal area as defined in § 11-8-4, if the new structure, addition, renovation, or reconstruction has a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars or more; (SDCL § 10-6-137 (1));

Any new industrial structure, including a power generation facility, or an addition to an existing structure, if the new structure or addition has a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars or more; (SDCL § 10-6-137 (2));

Any new nonresidential agricultural structure, or any addition to an existing structure, if the new structure or addition has a full and true value of ten thousand dollars or more; (SDCL § 10-6-137 (3));

Any new commercial structure, or any addition to an existing structure, except a commercial residential structure as described in subdivision (5), if the new structure or addition has a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars or more; (SDCL § 10-6-137 (4));

Any commercial, industrial, or nonresidential agricultural property that increases more than ten thousand dollars in full and true value, as a result of reconstruction or renovation of the structure; (SDCL § 10-6-137 (8)); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any structure classified pursuant to this Resolution shall, following construction, initially be valued for taxation purposes in the usual manner, and that value shall be referred to in the Resolution as the “Pre-Adjustment Value”; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assessed value to be used for tax purposes of any structure classified pursuant to this Resolution shall, following construction, be calculated as follows:

- a. For the first year following construction, 20% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- b. For the second year following construction, 40% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- c. For the third year following construction, 60% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- d. For the fourth year following construction, 80% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- e. For the fifth year following construction, 100% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of county Commissioners may, if requested by the owner of any of the above described property, not apply the above formula, in which case the full assessment shall be made without application of the formula. In waiving this formula for the structures of one owner, the Board of County Commissioners is not prohibited from applying the formula for subsequent new structures by that owner; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that for purpose of this Resolution, the assessed valuation during any of the five years may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property year preceding the first year of the tax years following construction; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any structure that is partially constructed on the assessment date may be valued for tax purposes pursuant to this Resolution and the valuation may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property in the year preceding the beginning of construction; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following the five-year period under this section, the property shall be assessed at the same percentage as is all other property for tax purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following properties shall be, and hereby are, specifically classified for the purpose of taxation pursuant to SDCL § 10-6-137 (5):

Any new commercial residential structure, or addition to an existing structure, containing four or more units, if the new structure or addition has a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars or more; (SDCL § 10-6-137 (5));

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any structure classified pursuant to this Resolution shall, following construction, initially be valued for taxation purposes in the usual manner, and that value shall be referred to in the Resolution as the “Pre-Adjustment Value”; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assessed value to be used for tax purposes of any structure classified pursuant 10-6-137(5) be calculated at a no more than twenty-five percent in the first or second year, no more than fifty percent in the third or fourth year, no more than seventy-five percent in the fifth or sixth year, and one hundred percent in the seventh year; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assessed value to be used for tax purposes of any structure classified pursuant to the Resolution shall, following construction, be calculated as follows:

- a. For the first year following construction, 25% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- b. For the second year following construction, 25% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- c. For the third year following construction, 50% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- d. For the fourth year following construction, 50% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- e. For the fifth year following construction, 75% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- f. For the sixth year following construction, 75% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- g. For the seventh year following construction, 100% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners may, if requested by the owner of any of the above described property, not apply the above formula, in which case the full assessment shall be made without application of the formula. In waiving this formula for the structures of one owner, the Board of County Commissioners is not prohibited from applying the formula for subsequent new structures by that owner; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that for purpose of this Resolution, the assessed valuation during any of the seven years may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property year preceding the first year of the tax years following construction; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any structure that is partially constructed on the assessment date may be valued for tax purposes pursuant to this Resolution and the valuation may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property in the year preceding the beginning of construction; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that following the seven-year period under this section, the property shall be assessed at the same percentage as is all other property for tax purposes;

This Resolution shall upon adoption, take the place of previously adopted Resolution No. 22-27 Discretionary Formula SDCL 10-6-137 and Resolution No. 20-20 Discretionary Formula SDCL 10-6-35.2.

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

Deuel County Commission

By: Chairman

Attest:

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County Auditor  
(Seal)

There was discussion on when to hold the first meeting in July as the first meeting falls on Independence Day. The topic was postponed until next meeting.

9) Grabow moved, seconded by Homan to approve the travel request for the Director of Equalization staff to attend SDAO in Sioux Falls on June 13-16 and NACO in Burlington Iowa on June 19-23. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Discussion was held on what to do with the Emergency Management pickup. There are a couple of options as to where it can be used but the topic was postponed until someone asks the Commissioners for the pickup.

10) Fieber moved, seconded by Grabow to approve the Cash Balance sheet for May. All voted yes and the motion carried.

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

<b>END OF MONTH CASH BALANCE</b>	<b>May-23</b>
CASH TOTAL	\$1,237.20
CHECKS TOTAL	\$24,019.57

CASH ITEM		\$ -
CASH CHANGE SHERIFF		\$50.00
TOTAL CASH ASSETS ON HAND		\$25,306.77
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE		\$584,781.00
MM DNB NATIONAL BANK		\$4,064.02
PREMIUM MM FIRST BANK & TRUST OF TORONTO		\$12,783,373.96
SD FIT		\$1,000,299.40
CREDIT CARDS		\$1,579.96
CD'S	\$250,000 DNB	\$250,000.00
	\$0 FIRST BANK & TRUST	
REVOLVING LOAN		\$35,882.74
<b>GRAND TOTAL CASH ASSETS</b>		<b>\$14,685,287.85</b>
GL CASH BALANCE BY FUNDS:		
GENERAL		\$6,646,402.83
SP REVENUE FUNDS		\$7,154,909.91
TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS		\$883,975.11
townships	\$87,426.16 cities	\$36,660.24
schools	\$500,947.21 rural fire	\$10,449.84
<b>TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH</b>		<b>\$14,685,287.85</b>

**11:15 Executive Session Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2-(1) Personnel Matter**

11) Fieber moved, seconded by Mewherter to move into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) to discuss a personnel matter. All voted yes and the motion carried. Chairperson Homan declared the Commissioners out of Executive Session at 11:25 A.M.

**Warrants**

12) Mewherter moved, seconded by Fieber to approve warrants presented and those that were paid early. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**Warrants Paid Early:** Sanford Health- \$23,940.78- Insurance, New York Life Ins. Co - \$277.81- Life Ins, HealthEquity- \$24.29- Employee Claim, HealthEquity- \$8.50- Employee Claim, HealthEquity- \$52.31- Employee Claim

**Current Warrants:** A&B Business Solutions 89.00 - Supplies, A-Ox Welding Supply Company 222.54 -Rental, The Am Legion St Headquarters 250.00 -US Flags, Appera 436.59 -Rugs, AT&T Mobility 240.24 -Utility, Todd Ball 65.30 -Juror Fees, Banner

Associates Inc 12259.92 -Prof Serv/Invenergy, Brookings Deuel Rural Water 67.25 - Utility, Bjerke Sanitation 310.00 -Garbage, Bobcat Of Brookings 6336.41 -Supplies, Colleen Boeke 120.00 -Matron, Boyer Trucks 196.16 -Supplies, Bratland Law 738.30 - CAA, Taylor Bublitz 56.12 -Juror Fees, Butler Machinery Co 10973.01 Repairs, Credit Collections Bureau 1.70 -Poor Lien, Clear Lake Building Center 2840.98 -Supplies, City Of Clear Lake 433.79 -Utility, Clear Lake Courier 901.51 -Publications, Clear Lake Veterinary Clinic 124.55 -K9 Supplies, Code 2 K-9 Services LLC 389.99 -K9 Training, Codington County Auditor 2097.68 -Prisoner Care, Cole's Petroleum Products, Inc 5102.00 -Fuel, Cowboy Country Stores 13.96 -Fuel, Dakota Portable Toilets, Inc 225.00 - Rental, Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 3610.46 -Supplies/Repairs/Utility, Deuel County Motor Supply Inc 362.52 -Repair/Maintenance/Supplies, Deuel County Treasurer 832.27 -Tax Acct., DCN Insurance 3869.50 -1/2 Ambulance Auto/Liab, Elizabeth Deboer 50.00 -Juror Fee, Duininck, Inc 996701.95 -Invenergy Road Restoration, Ecolab Pest Elimination Div 54.00 -Prof Serv, Fedex 12.22 -Postage, Farm & Home Publishers, LTD 455.00 -Maps, First Bank & Trust 856.25 -Credit Card, Fisher Sand & Gravel Co 8685.62 -Supplies, Flat Rate Inc 4960.00 -Prof Serv, Watertown Ford 1174.86 -Supply, Fritz Chevrolet Inc 600.63 -Repair, Goodwin Fire Department 15000.00 -Bunker Gear Reimburse, Green Roby Oviatt LLP 1015.90 -CAA, Debra Gruener 58.16 -Juror Fee, H-D Electric Coop, Inc 2261.16 -Supplies/Prof Serv, Kathryn Haas 58.16 -Juror Fee, Inter-Lakes Comm Action Inc 1278.33 -Support, ITC 4339.49 -Utilities, J & L Machine & Welding Inc 1940.23 Repair/Maint, John Deere Financial 1132.24 -Repair/Maint, Mark Katterhagen 15.00 -MI Hearing, Kevin's Tree Service Inc 4840.00 -Remove Trees Courthouse, Josefina Koopmans 172.44 Prof. Service, Val Larson 15.00 -Board MI, Lenslock Inc 25340.00 -Body Cams Sheriff, Deb Lessman 64.88 -Mileage/Supplies, Lucy Lewno 166.60 -MI Board, Blue Tarp Financial, Inc 880.99 -Supplies, Macksteel Warehouse, Inc. 146.32 -Supplies, Menards 99.59 -Supplies, Microfilm Imaging Systems 180.00 -Rental, Motion Industries 7.10 -Supplies, Dennis Nosbush 4805.92 -Plumbing Repairs, Northwestern Energy 837.86 -Utility, Office Peeps Inc 869.55 -Supplies, Otertail Power Co 93.46 -Utility, Overhead Door Co 1599.95 -Repair/Maint/Supply, Elizabeth Peterson 64.28 -Juror Fee, Pomp Tire Service 654.14 -Repair/Maint, Postmaster 146.00 -Box Rent Ext, Powerplan OIB 499.07 -Repair/Maint, Quality Inn Pierre 692.40 -Travel, Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center 346.00 -Travel, RFD Newspapers Inc 168.00 -Publications, Rick Even 380.00 -Patch Roof Courthouse, Running's Supply Inc 1072.36 -Supplies, Sanford Health 173.00 -Blood Draw, Sanford Clinic 3105.55 -Health Nurse Payment, SD Department Of Health 80.00 -Blood Draw, SD Dept Of Transportation 2047.96 -Supplies, SD Dept Of Public Safety 2730.00 - Supplies, SDAAO 470.00 -Conference, SD Sheriffs' Assoc 160.05 -Supplies, Robert Shearer 67.34 -Juror Fee, Sioux Valley Coop 345.00 -Utility, Stan Houston Equipment Co, Inc 618.27 -Supplies, Sterzinger Crushing Inc 2300.00 -Prof Serv, William Taylor 50.00 -Juror Fee, Team Laboratory Chemical, LLC 202468.75 -Supplies, Tetonka LLP 32000.00 -Wetland Credit, Transource Truck & Equip Inc 4820.60 -Repair/Maint, Tri State Water Inc 28.74 -Utility, TrueNorth Steel Inc 65523.00 -Supplies, Two Way Solutions 571.92 -Prof Serv, Ultra-Connecting Point 1401.25 -Supplies/Prof Serv, Van Diest Supply Company 8448.00 -Supplies, Lonnie Vick 70.40 -Juror Fee, W.W. Tire Service Inc 1954.00 -Supplies/Repair/Maint, West Central Communication Inc 207.27 -



Radio, Wheelco Truck & Trailer Parts 47.22 -Supplies/Maint/Repair, Kristin A Woodall  
76.50 -Court Reporter, Yankton Co Sheriff's Office 100.00 -Mental Health

**Public Comment**

Bill Goetz asked about the total weight of trucks that will be loaded. Goetz also explained his concern with Banner Associates.

Jim Dailey spoke on dust control and there needs to be to a deciding point on who gets it and who doesn't.

Deuel County Ambulance representative stated how he thinks Deuel County would benefit from having the Ambulance. They stated that they are short handed enough that they cannot take transfer calls which is what makes money for the service.

Sheila Monnier stated that Sanford helps with grants for the ambulance service.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business Mewherter moved, seconded by Grabow to adjourn the Commission meeting.

Chairperson Judith Homan  
Deuel County Commission

Attest:

Courtney Parker, Auditor

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