

August 16, 2022
Regular Meeting

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Homan presiding. Those present were Commissioners Gary DeJong, Gary Jaeger, Steve Rhody, Roger Kreutner and Judith Homan. Also present was Auditor Pam Lynde and Commissioners elect Jay Grabow and Scott Fieber. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance and was then called to order.

Approval of Agenda

1) DeJong moved, seconded by Kreutner to approve the agenda as presented with addition of Resolution #22-29 Auto Supplement Highway Fund. All voted yes and the motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

9:00 Highway Superintendent Jamie Broksieck

Broksieck met with the Commissioners and presented several highway department updates. He presented the letter of contract for engineering services for Structure No. 20-200-163 Bid Ready Plans and Bid Letting between Banner Associates and Deuel County for 2023 BIG Grant Project not to exceed \$67000 with submission of the project in the BIG Program by Dec. of 22 with bid letting in 2023 and construction anticipated to take place in 2024 pending the award of a grant.

2) Rhody moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve and accept the letter of contract with Banner Associates for Structure No. 20-200-163. All voted yes and motion carried.

3) Kreutner moved, seconded by DeJong to approve Resolution #22-29 to auto supplement \$344,125 into the Road and Bridge Fund for Haul Road Restoration. All voted yes and motion carried.

Resolution #22-29

The county has received unanticipated funds in the amount of \$344125 for Haul Road Restoration due to damage from Tatanka Wind Energy Project to be used to supplement the Road & Bridge Fund Budget for repairs to haul road. (SDCL 7-21-21)

Therefore, the county automatically supplements the following budget amounts:

Source of Funding:

201-000-343.92 Road & Bridge Fund-R&B HL RD Funds/Tatanka \$344125

Appropriation:

201-311-433.20 Road & Bridge Fund-R&B Repairs/ Tatanka \$344125

Broksieck said he has gotten some guidance for small structure inventory for rural access infrastructure improvement for townships. He sent a letter and flash drive to each township with instructions; must have a five year road and bridge plan; information due to County by August 31; Oct. 31 must have grant application submitted; Jan. 15 is deadline for Commissioners to award grants.

9:45 Executive Session Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-(1)

4) Kreutner moved, seconded by Rhody to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel issue pursuant to SDCL 1-25-(1). All voted yes and motion carried. Chair Homan declared the Commission out of Executive Session at 10:10 a.m.

10:10 Emergency Manager Sheila Monnier-23 Local Emergency management Plan

Monnier presented the 2023 Local Emergency Management Performance Grant. (LEMPG) The SLA grant is provided to counties to pay for 50% of the emergency management director's salary and benefits to be accounted for in fund 226. 5) Kreutner moved, seconded by DeJong to approve and sign the 2023 LEMPG between state of South Dakota and Deuel County. All voted yes and motion carried. Regional Director Randy Maddox stated there are more full time Emergency Managers in the state than previous years Monnier has been asked to work with the IMAT team at the state fair Aug 31-Sept. 2 with travel, lodging and meals being reimbursed by state except for time worked which would be the responsibility of the County with 50% reimbursed under the LEMPG. 6) Rhody moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve Monnier to work with IMAT team during the state fair Aug. 31-Sept. 2. Upon a roll call vote Rhody-yes; Jaeger-yes; DeJong-yes; Kreutner-yes; Homan-no. Motion carried.

10:30 Joint Meeting with Zoning Board For Easement

Attorney Craig Evenson requested, on behalf of Grong family, a correction on the legal description for an easement for the east 2/3 of Lot 28 and all of lots 29 & 30 in Shady Beach Addition located in Government Lot 7 of 4-114-47 as the property is encroaching in the platted right of way. The Zoning Board members present were Mike Dahl, Judith Homan, Kevin DeBoer and Paul Brandt. Dahl moved, seconded by Brandt to correct legal and recommend to County Commission for approval of corrected easement. Motion carried. 7) Kreutner moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve and grant easement as described above to Evan Grong, Aron Grong & Tyler Grong. Upon a roll call vote, all voted yes and motion carried.

11:00 Michelle Burkhart Dept. of Legislative Audit Closing Conference for 2019 and 2020 Audits

Burkhart, Auditor with Dept. of Legislative Audit gave the closing conference for 2019 and 2020 audit period and stated there were several items noted in current audit findings with two of them being significant deficiencies which are included in the audit report. Burkhart said there were several other deficiencies noted in internal controls over financial reporting for the years 2019 and 2020. Burkhart stated that all employees and offices were helpful while performing the audit. 8) Jaeger moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the audit and to sign the letter of representation. All voted yes and motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion was held on County Convention which will be held in Pierre on Sept. 12 & 13.

NEW BUSINESS

Warrants, Water Fountain, CLAD Funding, Temp Employee in Auditor's Office, Meeting Date for First Meeting in Sept.

9) Rhody moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve warrants paid early. All voted yes and motion carried. Brookings Deuel Rural Water 49.80 Utilities, Century Link 358.79 Utilities, H-D Electric 781.45 Utilities, NorthWestern Energy 10.00 Utilities, Otter Tail 118.77 Utilities, SDACO 176.00 M&P Fund, SD Dept of Revenue 154,412.42 Fees to State, Tri-State Water 45.20 Supplies, Tru by Hilton 1,212.48 DOE Office Travel. *Taxes:* Schools 20,978.28, Towns 3,652.31, Townships 1,361.24, EDWDD 74.41, Rural Fire 334.37

The Extension Office requested that a water fountain for the Deuel County Complex be added into the 2023 budget; price being approximately \$2500 to \$3000. No decision was made on the request.

Clear Lake Area Development requested funding for second quarter in amount of \$4500. They received \$4500 in April of this year. 10) Jaeger moved, seconded by Kreutner to approve funding in amount of \$4500 for second quarter with a progress report of activities to the Commissioners by second meeting in Sept. Rhody, Jaeger, DeJong and Kreutner voted yes; Homan abstained. Motion carried. 11) Jaeger moved, seconded by DeJong to amend minutes of Jan. 18, 2022 motion 6 to change Clear Lake Industrial Fund to correct name "Clear Lake Area Development". All voted yes and motion carried.

12) Rhody moved, seconded by Kreutner to approve temporary part time employee Marilyn Van Liere in Auditor's Office 15.50 hr. All voted yes and motion carried.

13) DeJong moved, seconded by Jaeger to move the first meeting of Sept. to Wednesday Sept. 7 at 9:00 a.m. All voted yes and motion carried.

Public Comments: No public comments.

There being no further business Rhody moved, seconded by Jaeger to adjourn. All voted yes and motion carried.

Pam Lynde, County Auditor
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Judith Homan, Chairman