The Deuel County Commissioners met in special session on Monday July 29 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Rhody presiding. Those present were Commissioners Jaeger, DeJong, Rhody, Kreutner and Homan. Also present was Auditor Mary Korth. The meeting opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. 1) Homan moved, seconded by Kreutner to approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes and the motion carried.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### 9:00 Sheila Monnier, Emergency Management Director

Monnier met with the Commissioners to discuss several issues. She discussed the FEMA process and said there was a FEMA external affairs agent that suggested there could be an agent to represent the townships for help in getting through the paper work process. All townships and entities need to have their paper work submitted by August 5<sup>th</sup>. Monnier feels damage from storms are actually damage that stems from an earlier cause which now has created culverts to collapse so damage should fall under FEMA reimbursement. She also discussed upcoming travel. 2) DeJong moved, seconded by Homan to approve the travel requests of Director Monnier to go to chemical and industry safety workshops in Aberdeen in August and a conference in September in Pierre. All voted yes and motion carried. Discussion was held about the construction on 212 and concerns for emergency personnel to get through and also for locals who live along the road.

# 9:15 Joan Sacrison Deuel Area Development

Sacrison met with the Commissioners and thanked them for their continued support. She is asking for the same amount for DADi for \$15,000 and room rent and utilities for the upcoming 2020 budget. Also continued \$8000 for the Industrial Fund. She discussed her position which if it was a full time position, she had researched would be at 80k plus benefits similar to other Directors. She is not interested in any full time position at this time. She enjoys her position at a part time status and very much enjoys working for DADi. She also updated the Commissioners on the activities of DADi including the spec home near the water tower and the community kitchen.

## 9:30 State's Attorney John Knight

Knight met with the Commissioners to discuss several things. Commissioner Jaeger brought up the water issues at Lake Alice. He spoke with the Water Management Board and any resolutions to the issues is normally handled through attorneys. The Commissioners questioned Knight on the best way to proceed. US Fish & Wildlife would be more willing to listen to a government entity on the subject rather than a private landowner. Discussion was held on where exactly the problems are located. Knight will contact the Water Management Board and US Fish & Wildlife Service to see what needs to happen and what the process needs to be to get it cleaned out. He will also contact Portland Township Board. The same situation is happening at Fox Lake and discussion was held on improving the situation there working with the same entities.

#### **Plats**

3) Kreutner moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve the Plat of Tract 1 of Lot AB1 and Resolution #19-18. All voted yes and the motion carried.

# RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSION DEUEL COUNTY #19-18

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the plat entitled: "PLAT OF TRACT 1 OF LOT AB1", in portion of Lot H1 in the SE1/4 of Section 21, T115N, R47W of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota, prepared by Brian D. Ernst, Registered Land Surveyor of the State of South Dakota which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, and it appearing that all taxes and special assessments have been paid and that such plat and the survey thereof have been made and executed according to law, the plat is hereby approved, and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same.

Dated this 29th day of July, 2019.	
	Chairman, Board of County Commissioners Deuel County, South Dakota
ATTEST:	
May Kook	
County Auditor,	
Deuel County, South Dakota	

### Work on 2020 Budget, Health Insurance

The Commissioners and Auditor worked on the requests and funding sources for the proposed 2020 budget.

Health insurance rates for 2020 were discussed. More research is being done before Health Insurance is finalized for the County employees.

4) Jaeger moved, seconded by DeJong to approve and publish the provisional budget for 2020 and notice of hearing to be held Wednesday, September 4 at 10:00 a.m. All voted yes, motion carried.

Employee Scott Ruby addressed the Commissioners. He spoke of his custodial position which was originally 30 hours a week for Courthouse and 10 hours a week for 4H. But his position as evolved and grown in the eleven years he has been with the county. He spoke of cover staff when he takes time off as well. He presented his end of year budgets from the past 3 years showing he is conservative in spending. He appealed to the Commissioners in regards to fairness in compensating his position as well as budget concerns and appreciated their discussion.

5) There being no further business, Kreutner moved, seconded by Homan to adjourn.

Steve Rhody, Chairman Deuel County Commission

ATTEST: Nay Late
Mary Korth, Auditor
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