

February 19, 2019  
Regular Meeting

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday February 19 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Rhody presiding. Those present were Commissioners DeJong, Homan, Jaeger, Rhody and Kreutner. Also present was Auditor Pam Lynde and Auditor elect Mary Korth. The meeting opened with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda** 1) Jaeger moved, seconded by Kreutner 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 one of the trucks tipped over but had minimal damage; newer taller trucks are top heavy and need to be off shoulder and need wings; wings need to be on by next winter. Hintz discussed hiring a new person or moving an employee to replace Gruener, who is retiring in March, and possibly a new blade man for Clear Lake route. 2) DeJong moved, seconded by Jaeger to advertise for blade operator. All voted yes and the motion carried. Hintz said he is looking into rental prices of equipment for future snow removal; He is also looking into RDO for repair prices to save costs. He talked about the haul road agreement with Ottertail for substation near Astoria. Load limits will be discussed at future meeting. Hwy 212 construction slated to begin this summer was discussed and asked if county roads will be used as detour; Hintz feels this may not happen as it will be one lane during construction however county road traffic will increase. Crowned Ridge Wind Energy inquired about overweight permit process; may need to do a blanket permit for this project rather than a permit for every load. Annual bid letting will be held in March. Kreutner discussed county blading for townships; Hintz will make sure it is satisfactory and any issues will be addressed. Township rates for snow removal will be discussed at next meeting.

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

Deb Lessman 4-H Advisor, Will Kruse, Brodie Dailey and DADi Director Joan Sacrison met with the Commissioners to discuss the need for a new building to house Shooting Sports and possibly new office space. Lessman said there is issues with service center, flooring; handicap accessibility, mold, etc.; also replacing or remodeling at fairgrounds; cattle and dairy arena. Diagrams were presented of remodel or new building to include area for Shooting Sports, riding arena for 4H; Lammers quote was 762,200 for shell only, total cost could be 1.2 to 1.5 million per Kruse. There is a possibility of obtaining a building that is currently for sale that would be adequate for project of Shooting Sports and office space. Lessman said downtown office is in need of repair and has been for years. Kruse said presently they have 42 families in Shooting Sports; have become third largest Shooting Sports in the state. The Commissioners will tour the building and discuss further at the next meeting.

#### **10:00 Second Reading Ordinance B2004-01-27A**

The second reading of Ordinance B2004-01-27A was held. The Ordinance Amendment would adopt the change to include "18. Others which, in the opinion of the Board of Adjustment would not conflict with adjoining land uses." 3) Jaeger moved,



seconded by DeJong to approve, adopt and publish notice of adoption of Ordinance B2004-01-27A An Ordinance Entitled, An Ordinance to Amend Article XI Section 1102.03 Adopted by Ordinance B2004-01, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004 as amended, of the Zoning Ordinance of Deuel County. Roll call vote was had with all voting yes and the motion carried.

**10:15 Auditor Elect Mary Korth-Hire New Personnel Auditor's Office**

Korth had to leave the meeting. Items will be discussed at the next meeting.

**10:30 Avangrid-Jesse Bermel-Tatanka Wind Project-Toronto**

Bermel with Avangrid, met with the Commissioners and gave them an update of the Tatanka Wind Energy Project near Toronto. There were several members of the public also in attendance. Bermel said they are proposing to add 150 megawatts MW in Scandinavia, Brandt, Blom, and maybe Hidewood and Grange Twps. In the next few weeks they will submit an application to the Zoning Board for a special exception permit with winter of 2020 for construction and Oct. 1 2020 operational date. Bermel said the wind farm will consist of 55 wind turbines that could be 2.5 to 3.5 or 4, this is the Buffalo Ridge III and IV project area; have upgraded how they will get the power out; each location has its report; had clearance in Brookings and all 39 towers were cleared. Question was asked will they do or provide the aircraft detection lighting, aeronautical lighting. Bermel said they don't know yet and will depend on the recommendation from FAA, with the FAA determining that. He stated that everything will flow to the Astoria power plant; interconnect was for 98 MW.

**Public Comments:**

John Homan asked what closest resident to the tower they have built; 2000 ft. according to Bermel; FAA lighting requirements; John Homan said ADLS lights can be required by the local entity, whatever the plan specifies; what is danger zone; to protect welfare of Deuel County, that is job of the Commissioners.

**11:00 Drainage Board**

4) Jaeger moved, seconded by Kreutner to adjourn as County Commission and reconvene as Drainage Board. All voted yes and motion carried. ASCS maps were reviewed to help determine the number of acres in the area where drainage was done in Section 36 of Norden Township W in NE1/4 to NW1/4 with water flowing to the west and then north. Rex VanDyke approximately 15 months ago installed a tiling system on the NE1/4 of 36; does watershed drain to the tile; then consider whole watershed; if less than 20 acres in the watershed no permit is required; draining an area of more than 20 acres ordinance requires a permit. The Commissioners discussed hiring a contractor that is in the business of tiling to determine if there are 20 acres in the watershed. This will have to be done in March or after snow melt. State's Attorney Knight will write a letter to VanDyke, Peterson and Kurtenbach stating how the county plans to proceed on the complaint. 5) DeJong moved, seconded by Homan to adjourn as Drainage Board and reconvene as County Commission. All voted yes and motion carried.

**11:30 Sheriff Cory Borg-Updates Sheriff's Office, Police Contracts, Interstate Responding Agencies**

Borg met with the Commissioners and discussed several items. He gave an update in the Sheriff's Office. Stats: In 2019 so far have had 199 calls for service; served 40 civil papers; in 2018 had 1882 calls for service; served 200 civil papers.



Borg talked about the Police Contracts with most towns in the County. He said deputies are being more visible and out in the communities when they can. Interstate Responding Agencies; fire zones and ambulance zones; same responders go to same areas along interstate. K Nine did demo in Clear Lake; scheduled to do Deubrook and are scheduled to do that on Friday; County shop made and installed the cage. Wall has been taken down in Sheriff's Office; have done changes in Courtroom security; doing safety talks at Deubrook School.

**11:50 State's Attorney John Knight**

Knight met with the Commissioners to discuss several items.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Warrants, Travel**

6) DeJong moved, seconded by Homan to approve warrants paid early. All voted yes and motion carried. SD Dept. of Revenue 94830.99 Funds Due to State, SDACO 178.00 M&P Due to State, SD Dept. of Revenue 26.05 Excise Tax, H-D Electric 558.66 Utility, ITC 157.36 Phone/Internet Hwy., Hasler 50.00 Postage Machine Fee, Century Link 358.79 911 Trunk Lines. 7) Kreutner moved, seconded by Homan to declare as surplus the John Deere 445 mower/snow blower 22 HP and purchase and pay for JD Series X734 Tractor with JD ROPs hard cab and snow blower from Kibble Equipment Watertown at cost of 12,398.33. All voted yes and motion carried.

8) Jaeger moved, seconded by Kreutner to approve travel expense for Dawn Fritz to attend 4-H computer training in Aberdeen and County Officials to attend Sioux Valley Commission meeting March 20. All voted yes and motion carried.

**Plats**

9) Jaeger moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the Plat of Ries Addition in the SE1/4 19-117-50 and Resolution #19-02. All voted yes and motion carried.

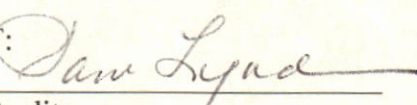
**RESOLUTION**

**#19-02**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the plat entitled: **"Ries Addition, in the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 117 North, Range 50 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Deuel County, 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 19th day of February, 2019.

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Chairman, Board of County Commissioners  
Deuel County, South Dakota

ATTEST:

  
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County Auditor,  
Deuel County, South Dakota



**Resolution #19-03**

10) It was moved by DeJong, seconded by Homan, motion carried, the **"PLAT OF LOT 1 OF JURRENS ADDITION IN THE NW1/4 OF THE NW1/4 OF SECTION 28, T113N, R48W 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 this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

CHAIRMAN, DEUEL COUNTY BOARD  
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

  
COUNTY AUDITOR  
DEUEL COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

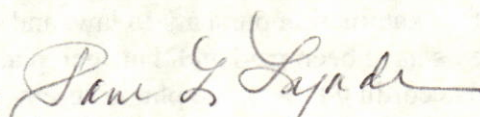
**Abatements**

11) Kreutner moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the abatement of taxes on Mobile Homes on Real Estate (already paid in 2018) for 2019 in the amount of \$436.16 General Fund and \$3.37 for County Building Fund on parcels 3484, 3144, 3643, 3986, 1223, 4099, 5529. All voted yes and the motion carried.

An application for partial abatement of taxes was presented on behalf of the City of Gary on parcel 4466 Lot 10 & W1' of 11 Block 1 Original Plat 1<sup>st</sup> Railroad Addition Town of Gary. The City of Gary purchased the property from Amanda Kack the end of August 2018 and said the property should be exempt from tax once the city purchased the property, which would be four months, Sept through Dec. 12) Jaeger moved, seconded by Kreutner to approve and abate that portion of the taxes \$25.68, on parcel #4466 due to the fact the tax exempt entity, City of Gary owned it the last four months of the 2018 assessment year. All voted yes and motion carried.

**Adjournment**

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

ATTEST:   
Pam L. Lynde, Auditor  
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Chairman  
Deuel County Commission