

#### APRIL 20, 2021 –GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Fjeldheim at 8:45 A.M. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Feickert, Sutton, Wiese and Kippley. Commissioner Fjeldheim led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Feickert to approve the agenda. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### MINUTES:

Moved by Feickert, seconded by Sutton to approve the general meeting, equalization and consolidated board of equalization minutes from April 13, 2021. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### CLAIMS:

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve the following claims:

Professional Fees: Avera St. Luke's \$1,406.28; Certified Language \$1,308.45; Dean Schaefer \$258.00; Dependable Sanitation \$28,201.60; Michelle Gaikowski \$17.00; GBR Interpreting \$60.00; Mark Katterhagen \$15.00; Lewis & Clark \$1,472.00; Lucy Lewno \$160.00; Darcy Lockwood \$15.00; Lutheran Social Services \$3,475.67; PRCA \$1,600.00; Sanford Health \$228.00; State of South Dakota \$40.00; SDAAO \$800.00; Kristi Spitzer \$200.00; Women's Professional Rodeo \$200.00; Yankton County Sheriff \$50.00; Yankton County Treasurer \$855.20. Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$1,111.01. Rentals: Dial-A-Move \$195.00. Repairs & Maintenance: Advance Auto Parts \$6.00; B & B Contracting \$7,799.12; Butler Machinery \$638.00; Dakota Pump & Control \$450.00; Ecolab \$239.93; Graham Tire \$25.68; Haar Plumbing \$200.81; Hanlon Brothers \$14,369.10; Jason's Electric \$1,074.84; Pierson Ford \$52.45; Poms Tire Service \$343.00; Sioux Falls Crane & Hoist \$22.13; Titan Machinery \$175.48. Supplies: Praxair \$233.48; Advance Auto Parts \$471.98; Aramark \$75.79; Hearst Business Media \$180.00; Carlsen Funeral Home \$108.00; Cole Papers \$227.10; Dakota Doors \$300.00; Aberdeen Medical Center \$592.01; Randall Weber \$150.00; Fedex \$40.35; Floor to Ceiling \$1,170.00; Gov Connection \$282.32; Wes Graff \$294.00; Hanlon Brothers \$57,000.00; Kesslers \$24.04; L.G. Everist \$6,253.08; Lucy Lewno \$6.51; Menards \$13.92; Northern Valley Communications \$27.01; Pharmchem \$446.25; Share Corp \$390.00; Sherwin Williams \$74.64; Sioux Falls Crane & Hoist \$319.83; Titan Machinery \$758.02; West Publishing \$1,860.88. Travel & Conference: Karla Nelson \$60.00; Mike Scott \$46.00; Kelsi Vinger \$373.02. Utilities: City of Aberdeen \$283.62; Century Link \$9.90; Dependable Sanitation \$348.00; James Valley \$220.30; Northwestern Energy \$2,439.24; Northern Valley Communications \$2,020.91; Kelsi Vinger \$60.00; Verizon Wireless \$3,505.86. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### HR REPORT:

Moved by Kippley, seconded by Feickert to approve the HR Office Report, which includes the following:

- Acknowledge resignation of Ashley Mohr, Brown County Communications Dispatcher, effective April 13, 2021. Request to fill
- Approve payment of retirement award for Daryl Lloyd in the amount of \$150 before taxes, requirement was met
- Approve hiring summer intern for Museum @ \$12/hour, 15-20 working hours a week.
- Acknowledge the following personal miles driven at \$0.56 per mile for the month of February & March: Kendell Titze 222 @ \$124.32, John Florey 252 @ \$141.12, Dirk Rogers 475 @ \$266.00, Mike Scott 360 @ \$201.60

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**EM QUARTERLY GRANT:**

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chair sign the Emergency Management Quarterly Grant. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**ABATEMENTS:**

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve the following abatement: Katrina & Anastasia Esser (condemned mobile home) @ \$26.59; Aberdeen City (remove SW – holding pond) @ \$34.49; Ramona Guthmiller (special assessment added in error) @ \$500.00 . All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**QUARTERLY INTEREST:**

Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to accept for filing the Quarter 1 interest statement in the amount of \$19,208.26, as submitted by County Treasurer Patty VanMeter. All members present voting aye. Motion Carried.

**2021 ASSESSMENT FREEZE FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED:**

Moved by Feickert, seconded by Wiese to acknowledge approval of 115 applications for the 2021 taxes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**PLAT:**

**RESOLUTION 20-21 FLATLAND ESTATES ADDITION**

Commissioner Sutton brought the following resolution:

“Be it resolved by the County Commission of Brown County, South Dakota, that the plat showing “FLATLAND ESTATES ADDITION IN THE SW ¼ OF THE SW ¼ OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 124 NORTH, RANGE 64 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA” having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof.” Roll call vote Commissioner Feickert – aye, Sutton – aye, Wiese- aye, Kippley – aye, Fjeldheim – aye. Resolution adopted.

**SD DOT STRIPING AGREEMENT:**

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chair sign agreement with the SD DOT for the striping of approximately 37.0 miles of county roads within Brown County at an estimated cost of \$64,216.61. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**SURPLUS REQUEST\_LANDFILL DEPARTMENT:**

Move by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve surplus request from Landfill Department and authorize for sale at auction for the following item: 2002 BOMAG 772RB Refuse Compactor. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**ABERDEEN AREA RUNNING CLUB EVENT PROPOSAL:**

Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to approve running event proposal by the Aberdeen Area Running Club, contingent to Sheriff’s approval. Roll call vote Commissioner Feickert-nay, Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye, Kippley-aye, Fjeldheim-aye. Motion carried.

**DACOTAH PRAIRIE MUSEUM ANNUAL REPORT:**

Patricia Kendall, DPM Director met to give 2020 museum annual report. Annual report is on file with the Brown County Auditor. No actions taken.

**DPM SUMMER INTERN REQUEST:**

Moved by Wiese, seconded by Sutton to add approval of hiring a summer intern for the Museum in the HR Report. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**FY 2022 BENEFITS:**

Erica Coughlin, HR Director, discussed with the commission updates on benefits for the coming enrollment. Moved by Feickert, seconded by Sutton to approve following benefits for FY 2022: Wellmark @ -4.52% change in rate for health insurance; Delta @ 5.00% change in rate for dental insurance; \$50 employer rate changes for HSA; Optilegra for vision insurance; Discovery/WEX for HSA and FSA; Dearborn for life insurance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT UPDATE – HIGHWAY:**

Dirk Rogers (Highway Superintendent) met to give a department update. No actions taken.

**APPLICATION FOR OCCUPANCY:**

Moved by Kippley, seconded by Feickert to approve the following applications for occupancy submitted by Northern Valley Communications for telecommunications: occupancy of Brown County Highway 16, in section 8, 17, Township 123, Range 62, Brown County, South Dakota; occupancy of Brown County Highway 14, in section 35, 36, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, Township 123, Range 64, 63, Brown County, South Dakota; occupancy of Brown County Highway 13,14, in section 31, 33, 6, 5, Township 124, 123, Range 63, Brown County, South Dakota; occupancy of Brown County Highway 16/13, in section 8, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, Township 124, Range 62, Brown County South Dakota; occupancy of Brown County Highway 13, 14, in Section 33, Township 124, Range 63, Brown County, South Dakota; occupancy of Brown County Highway 13, 14, 11, in section 23, 22, 15, 16, 10, 3, 34, 28, 29, 20, 36, Township 124, 125, Range 63, 64, Brown County, South Dakota; occupancy of Brown County Highway 16/13, in section 8, 5, 32, 29, 20, 19, Township 123, 124, Range 62, Brown County, South Dakota. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**APPLICATION FOR OCCUPANCY:**

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve the following application submitted by CenturyLink for Internet usage: occupancy of Brown County Highway 12W, in section 18, Township 123N, Range 64 W, Brown County, South Dakota. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS\_ LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:**

Carl Perry & Drew Dennert (D-3 State Rep) and Al Novstrup (D-3 State Sen) discussed with the commission legislative updates that are relevant to the county. No actions taken.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to go into executive session to discuss personnel per SDCL 1-25-2(1). All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The chair declared executive session closed with no action taken.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:53a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Jeannette McClain, Brown County Deputy Auditor  
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