

#### APRIL 11, 2023 – GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Chairman Sutton at 8:45 A.M. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Dennert, Fjeldheim, Wiese, Gage, and Sutton. Auditor Heupel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Fjeldheim moved to approve the agenda with amendments, seconded by Gage. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dennis Feickert shared with the Commissioners a letter that was sent out to landowners from Summit Carbon Solutions stating that this is the final attempt to come to an agreement otherwise will petition the courts for condemnation process.

Dewayne Siebrasse met with the Commissioners stating that he opposes the pipeline, and he knows of 650 Farmers that are not in favor of it, also. He stated that 82% of the land in South Dakota doesn't have any debt against it, the farmers own it 100%. If a landowner agrees to the Easement, they are going to lose a quarter of land.

Jared Bossly just wanted to encourage the Commissioners to get all the facts and reinforce that they are against the Carbon Pipeline. Another concern that has come up is the safety of the water in Brown County.

#### PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK:

Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution:

##### RESOLUTION #11-23

##### OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

##### BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS: Emergencies may occur at any time that require law, fire, or medical services; and

WHEREAS: When an emergency occurs, the prompt response of law, fire, and emergency medical professionals is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS: The safety of our law enforcement officers, firefighters and EMT's is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who contact the Brown County Communications Center; and

WHEREAS: Public Safety Dispatchers are often the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS: Public Safety Dispatchers are the single, vital link for law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical professionals by monitoring their activities by radio, telephone, and computer, providing them information, and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS: Public Safety Dispatchers of the Brown County Communications Center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients in Brown County, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS: Each Brown County Communications Public Safety Dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their duty in the past year

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission of Brown County, South Dakota, declares the  
Week of April 9<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023,  
to be

“NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK”

in Brown County in honor of the dispatchers whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and citizens safe.

DONE AT THE BROWN COUNTY COURTHOUSE THIS 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2023.

Seconded by Commissioner Gage. Roll call vote: Commissioners Dennert – aye, Fjeldheim – aye, Wiese – aye, Gage – aye and Sutton – aye. Resolution adopted.

#### ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION:

Gene Loeschke, Director of Equalization met for conference per SDCL 10-3-14, discussing the 2023 County Board of Equalization, Consolidated Board of Equalization and the Factors that were certified by the State of SD. Ag Factor is .85 and Non-Ag Factor is .97.

#### SPRING CLEAN-UP:

Mike Scott, Landfill Manager met with the Commissioners to ask them to waive the fees for the Spring Clean-up which will be from April 28<sup>th</sup> to May 13<sup>th</sup>. There is a 4-tire limit. Moved by Commissioner Wiese to approve waiving the fees during Spring Clean-up, seconded by Dennert. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### MINUTES:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve the General Meeting minutes of April 6, 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### CLAIMS:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve the following claims: Professional Fees: Avera St. Luke's \$1,793.04; Dakotabilities \$1,440.00; Language Line Services, Inc \$315.09; Priority Dispatch Corp \$2,560.00; Sanford Health Network \$134.16; Sanford Health Occupational Medicine \$453.00; Satellite Tracking of People, LLC \$1,352.00; SDSU Extension \$215.18. Publishing: Hub City Radio \$600.00; McQuillen Creative Group, Inc \$300.00. Rentals: Dakota Electronics \$668.15. Repairs & Maintenance: B & B Contracting, Inc \$875.00; Big Scoop Snow Removal \$2,840.00; Dakota Electronics \$187.40; State of South Dakota \$593.75; Transource Truck & Equipment, Inc \$5,112.45. Supplies: Agtegra Cooperative \$8,053.35; Bimbo Foods USA, Inc \$1,240.00; Century Business Products \$350.81; Dakota Electronics \$618.75; Dakota Mailing & Shipping Equipment \$139.26; Full Circle Ag \$3,056.85; Karen Swank \$54.00; Pantorium Cleaners Inc \$84.00; PharmChem, Inc \$319.50; Runnings \$118.65; Tri-State Water \$106.00; US Foods \$10,045.00. Travel & Conference: SDAE4-HP \$35.00. Utilities: Northwestern Energy \$3,894.11; State of South Dakota \$134.39. Others: SD Dept of Agriculture & Natural Resources \$3,343.05. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### FLOOR COVERING BIDS:

Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to authorize advertising public hearing to open, read and consider bids for removal and disposal of existing carpet, vinyl base, and install 24" x 24" carpet tiles and new vinyl base at 8:45 a.m., on April 25, 2023 in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Specifications are available online at brown.sd.us, Brown County Buildings/Grounds Office and the Brown County Auditor's Office. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### LANDFILL TONNAGE REPORT:

Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Gage to acknowledge the Landfill Tonnage Report for March 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to authorize and approve the Auditor sign the Claim Assignment against an individual to Credit Collections Bureau for the purpose of collecting liens. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### LEASE AGREEMENTS:

Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Dennert to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following lease agreement: Yelduz Shriners for lease of Holum Expo Building on April 3 - 6, 2023 for housing Circus Animals. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### TRAVEL REQUESTS:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to approve the Travel Request for Mike Scott, Landfill Manager to attend Spring SW Workshop in Chamberlain, SD on April 11-13, 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

Auditor Heupel reminded the Commissioners of the Township Association meeting is today, April 11<sup>th</sup> with meal at 6pm, followed by meeting at 6:30pm in the Community Room.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to adjourn the Brown County Commission meeting at 9:16 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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