

AUGUST 22, 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, Gage, Sutton, and Wiese. Commissioner Wiese led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jared Bossly met with the Commissioners to inform them that Summit Carbon Solutions is getting ready to file a motion requesting the Public Utilities Commission to preempt the County ordinances. He feels this is them trying to take power away from the counties and the people, and the county has done a fantastic job doing their jobs. Summit Carbon Solutions is going against Minnehaha, Spink, Brown, and McPherson Counties; Minnehaha has signed on with Alex Hagen of Sioux Falls and urged the County to give him a chance and look into him. He stated there is no disrespect to the State's Attorney, but we may need to step up our game and dig in our heels. He also stated there will be zero economic development or impact from the pipeline, but will hurt property values, take away from the west part of town, and put the people in danger. Jared stated the plume study is very crucial, and they need to be showing us because it's the only way anybody can make a good decision on this. Jared again encouraged the Commission to consider Alex Hagen.

MINUTES:

Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to approve the General Meeting minutes of August 15, 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve the following Claims: Professional Fees: Aberdeen Karting Club \$500.00; ACBMSJPK \$5,600.00; Avera Medical Group Radiology \$40.66; Avera St. Luke's Hospital \$2,969.91; Darcy L. Lockwood \$15.00; Faulk County Sheriff's Office \$4,320.00; First Interstate Bank \$55.00; Fox Law Firm, PLLC \$160.00; Natrona County Sheriff's Office \$55.00; Northeastern Mental Health Center \$858.00; Sanford Health Network \$461.89; SD Dept of Health \$1,905.00; Valerie J. Larson \$15.00; Veronica Sainz 357.62; Yankton County Sheriff's Office \$50.00. Publishing: GateHouse Media California Holdings, Inc \$127.10; GateHouse Media South Dakota Holdings, Inc \$1,214.44; Groton Daily Independent \$838.51. Repairs & Maintenance: Auto Glass Solutions Inc \$410.87; B & B Contracting, Inc \$8,732.50; Dakota Doors Inc \$5.30; House of Glass \$1,187.43; Hoven Auto Repair, Inc \$73.99; Sewer Duck, Inc \$1,200.00; Titan Machinery \$1,936.40; Town & Country Building Supply \$59.64. Supplies: Aramark \$123.43; Avera LTC Pharmacy Aberdeen \$608.75; Century Business Products \$110.95; Cole Paper Inc \$1,295.50; Dakota Doors Inc \$260.00; Farm Power Mfg \$24.08; Fire Safety First LLC \$1,997.23; Fox Law Firm, PLLC \$2.88; Geffdog Designs \$500.00; GovConnection, Inc \$1,629.50; Hillyard Sioux Falls \$87.94; Kessler's \$244.16; Leidholdt Tool Sales, LLC \$246.54; Marco Technologies, LLC \$64.12; Menards \$762.74; Millstone Restaurant \$465.64; Performance Oil \$653.06; Runnings \$59.88; Sander's Sew-N-Vac \$609.04; Steven Lust Automotive \$38.76; Thomson-Reuters-West Payment Center \$1,894.62; Weismantel Rent-All \$350.00. Travel & Conference: Lynn Heupel \$251.54; Safety Benefits Inc \$75.00. Utilities: CenturyLink \$674.29; City of Aberdeen Treasurer \$9,058.69; Dependable Sanitation, Inc \$513.00; Midcontinent Communications \$85.39; Northwestern Energy \$962.48; NVC \$3,370.52; Verizon Wireless \$3,004.43. Others: Safe Harbor \$1,137.95; WEX Health Inc \$3,000.00. All members present voting aye, except Commissioner Sutton abstained from voting on the Millstone Restaurant claim. Motion carried.

HR REPORT:

Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Gage to acknowledge & approve the following Human Resource Report submitted by Human Resources Director, Allison Tunheim:

Acknowledge:

- Transfer of Stacie Wasem from Brown County Home Detention Officer to Brown County Home Detention Sergeant, FT; starting wage \$26.46/hour-effective August 20th, 2023.

Approve:

- Hiring of Jonathan Roberson as Brown County Jail Detention Officer, FT; starting wage \$20.67/hour-effective August 22nd, 2023.
- Temporary 2023 Brown County Fair Workers August 14th thru 20th:
 - Gatekeepers \$12/hour: Jaycee Seaman.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese seconded by Dennert to authorize and approve the Auditor sign the Claim Assignments against individuals to Credit Collections Bureau for the purpose of collecting liens. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUESTS:

Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the following Travel Requests: Brandon Mills, Brown County Sheriff's Office to attend Problem-Solving Court Conference in Deadwood, SD from November 7-9, 2023; Judy Dosch, Maintenance to attend Risk & Safety Conference in Pierre, SD from November 1-2, 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PLATS:

Resolution #38-23

Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution: "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the Plat showing Pigors Second Addition in the SE ¼ of Section 27-T122N-R60W of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and any amendments thereof". Seconded by Commissioner Gage. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution #39-23

Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution: "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the Plat showing Huck First Subdivision in the SW ¼ of Section 23 and the NW ¼ of Section 26 all in T123N-R65W of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and any amendments thereof". Seconded by Commissioner Gage. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution #40-23

Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution: "Be it resolved by the County Commission of Brown County, South Dakota, that the following plat showing K. Jensen Addition in the NE ¼ of Section 34, Township 123 North, Range 63 West of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and any amendments thereof". Seconded by Commissioner Gage. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

TITLE 4 ZONING AMENDED ORDINANCE – SET HEARING DATE/AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to set hearing date and authorize publication for first reading of the following zoning ordinance to be held on September 19, 2023, in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Proposed Ordinance #256, amending portions of Title 4 Zoning: Chapter 4.01 – Definitions; Chapter 4.06 – Agriculture Preservation (AG-P); Chapter 4.07 – Mini Agriculture Preservation (M-AG); Chapter 4.08 – Residential District (R-1); Chapter 4.09 – Mobile Home District (R-2); Chapter 4.10 – Lake Front District (R-3); Chapter 4.11 – Rural Urban District (RU); and Chapter 4.16 – Heavy Industrial (HI) and An Addition to Title 4 Zoning Ordinances of Brown county with: Chapter 4.37, "Solar Energy Systems" (SES) and "Private Solar Energy System" (PSES). The proposed ordinance will be made available for public inspection at the Brown County Auditor's Office or Brown County Planning and Zoning Office during regular business hours. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to go into Executive Session for Personnel and Legal per SDCL 1-25-2. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to adjourn the Brown County Commission meeting at 9:46 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Janel Hettich, Brown County Chief Deputy Auditor

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