

**DAY COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA**  
**September 22, 2020**  
**(unapproved)**

The Day County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 9:00 AM, Tuesday September 22, 2020 in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Meeting called to order by Chairman Tompkins. Members present: Commissioners James, Tobin, Sinner and Walters. Others: Auditor Fosheim, Eric Hanson, Jim Walter, Greg Pesall, Glenn Gebur and Amanda Fanger-R&F.

**PLEDGE:** Chairman Tompkins led the members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** DENR.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Auditor Fosheim informed the board her office mailed out over 680 absentee ballots on September 18<sup>th</sup> per requests received. Polling places for the General Election on November 3, 2020 will be held at the normal polling places throughout the county.

**MINUTES:** Moved by Sinner, seconded by Walters to approve the minutes for September 11, 2020 regular/budget hearing commissioner meeting. Motion carried.

**PAYROLL:** Moved by Sinner, seconded by Tobin to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the payroll period ending September 12, 2020. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 4,821.33; Treasurer's Office 5,127.21; Register of Deeds 3,567.20; State's Attorney 2,096.00; Sheriff's Office 9,416.66; Jailors 10,345.51; Assessor's Office 4,851.20; Commissioners 2,706.92; Home Health 417.73; WIC 290.68; Veteran's Service 1,189.85; Maintenance 2,492.76; Extension 1,106.00; Welfare 345.63; Drainage 98.08; Planning & Zoning 414.08; OEM 730.00; 911 365.00; Weed 670.15; Highway 18,788.01; Social Security 4,157.33; Medicare 972.27; Health Insurance 28,521.10; SD Retirement 3,729.97 for a total of 107,220.67.

**CLAIMS:** Moved by Walters, seconded by James to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the following audited claims. Motion carried.

**SERVICES:** Aramark Uniform Services/Ameripride Services Inc. 169.77, Brown County Sheriff/Jail 285.00, Certified Languages International 33.00, Darcy Lockwood 15.00, Department of Legislative Audit 16,087.50, Duane Hemmah 1,163.20, Embrace Dentistry of Webster 255.00, FEDEX 13.59, Hofland Engineering Inc. 20,000.05, Hughes County Finance Office 1,180.00, Mark Katterhagen 15.00, Law Office of Danny Smeins 4,522.35, Lucy Lewno 166.50, Sanford Health 105.00, SD Dept. of Transportation 2,882.81, SDACO M&P Fund 378.00, Taliaferro Law Firm, P.C. 570.00, Webster Scale Inc. 126,191.98, Yankton Co. Sheriff's Office 50.00,

**SUPPLIES:** American Solutions for Business 45.97, Colonial Research 152.62, Election Systems & Software 1,425.98, Horter Restoration and Repair 660.00, Matheson Tri-Gas Inc 152.07, McLeod's 509.75, Mid-American Research 390.04, Valley Office Products 229.67, Webster Tire Inc. 704.95,

**REPAIRS:** Sinner Auto 62.49, TLC Marine Service 28.00,

**UTILITIES:** Dependable Sanitation 156.48, James Valley Telecommunication 139.40, Ottertail Power Co. 26.10, Venture Communication Inc. 264.69,

**MANUAL CHECKS:** USPS 240.00, SD Dept. of Revenue 112,640.05.

**REPORTS:** The Board noted the following reports:

In compliance with the law, I, Bonnie Fosheim hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the Treasurer of this County as of September 1, 2020. Total amount of deposits in bank 69,364.14. Total amount of actual cash 2,315.65. Total amount of deposits and drafts in treasurer's possession not exceeding three days 19,648.69. Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts, which have been in the treasurer's possession over three days: CD'S 590,000.00; IMMA 5,960,686.70; Postage 233.35; Register of Deeds petty cash 200.00; Sheriff Fund 530.00; Credit cards 402.90 for a total of \$6,643,381.43. Cash Balances: General Fund 2,392,908.49; Highway 3,004,873.66; E911 6,353.90; OEM 569.34; Domestic Abuse 359.00; 24/7 Fund 28,325.03 M & P Fund 47,898.58; 700 Accounts 264,326.22 equals \$5,745,614.22.

In compliance with the law, I, Jodi Berger hereby report the fees of the Office of Register of Deeds for the month of August 2020. Births (23) 345.00; Deaths (20) 300.00; Marriages (0) 0.00; Transfer fees 2,268.50; Recordings 5,775.00; Copies 554.50; Sales Tax .29 for a total of 9,243.29.

In compliance with the law, I, Ryan Rucktaeschel hereby submit the following report of all fees received by me as Sheriff within and for the County for the month of August 2020: Accident Reports 8.00; Phone Cards 159.63; Phone Commission 714.33; Remote Breath Tests 82.00; Remote Breath Deactivation 160.00; Sheriff's Fees 1,041.44; Finger Prints 65.73; Juvenile Care 4,000.00; PBT's 377.00; Pistol Permits 177.00; Prisoners-Out of Co. 375.00; UA Fees 65.00; Work Release 2,368.00; GPS Monitoring 80.00; Sales Tax 14.64 for a total of 9,687.77.

**DONATION FOR SEARCH/RESCUE DOGS:** Moved by James, seconded by Tobin to approve a donation of \$200.00 for the search and rescue dogs with a company out of Brookings that were used in Day County in August 2020. Motion carried.

**SHERIFF DEPT:** Sheriff Rucktaeschel informed the board that Mikala Nielsen will go from part-time to 80% effective September 27, 2020.

**PLANNING/ZONING:** Moved by Sinner, seconded by James to recess the regular session at 9:15 AM, to convene as Planning, Zoning and Drainage Board. Motion carried. Chairman Tompkins reconvened the regular session at 9:39 AM.

**PLAT:** Upon recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Board, moved by James, seconded by Walters to approve the following plats: 1) Lesnar Lot 1 in S1/2 NW & Lots 3 & 4 in 12.123.55, 2) Lardy Addition in SW 3.123.55. Motion carried.

**RECESS:** Chairman Tompkins declared a recess at 9:40 AM. Chairman Tompkins reconvened the regular session at 9:46 AM.

**WEED BOARD:** Moved by James, seconded by Paul McCarlson to recess and convene as a Weed Board at 10:00 AM. Motion carried. Chairman Tompkins reconvened the regular meeting at 10:07 AM. Next Weed Board meeting will be the first meeting in December, which is tentatively planned for December 1, 2020 at 10:00 AM.

**BID LETTING:** Moved by James, seconded by Tobin to approve Hwy Supt. Braaten to have a bid letting by sealed bids to crush 50,000 ton (plus or minus) of gravel. Bids will be opened on October 20, 2020 at 9:05 AM. Motion carried.

**TRAVEL REQUEST:** Moved by Sinner, seconded by James to approve Hwy Supt. Braaten to attend the North Central Regional Local Road Conference in Rapid City, SD on October 20-22, 2020. Motion carried. Conference was cancelled later after commissioner's meeting.

**CONCERNS ON SHERIFF'S JURISDICTION:** Waubay City Mayor Kevin Jens brought concerns to the board about the sheriff's jurisdiction within the county referencing the September 7, 2020 issue of the Reporter and Farmer. States Attorney Smeins explained that the statute doesn't require the sheriff to go into towns, but they do it anyway.

**BUDGET HEARING:** The Commission conducted the final Budget Hearing. Glenn Gebur, Greg Pesall, Jim Walter, Donna Wik, Don Mahlen and Mark Christensen voiced concerns about the county contributing funds for the ambulance service. No further changes were made to the 2021 budget. Moved by James, seconded by Tobin to adopt the 2021 Budget and Means and Finance: General Fund 4,528,837, Road & Bridge Fund 4,170,168, E911 Fund 84,620, Office of Emergency Management Fund 62,281, Domestic Abuse Fund 1,800, 24/7 Sobriety Fund 1,000, ROD Modernization & Preservation Fund 15,000. Adjusted General Fund Cash Applied from 966,508 to 1,004,004, Road & Bridge Fund Cash Applied from 626,012 to 544,165. Current Property Tax 3,281,942; Mill Levy: General Fund 2.402, County Road and Bridge Fund 0.900. Motion carried.

**GENERATOR GRANT BID OPENING:** Bids were received from Schwan Electric, Ridge Electric, Inc., Muth Electric Inc., Freddie's Electric, Burdette Electric Inc., C&S Concrete and Allan Sass for work on a cement pad and a new generator for the courthouse and jail. Moved by Sinner, seconded by Tobin, to accept the low bid for the generator from Muth Electric Inc.(\$104,696.00) as long as they meet the specs and the low bid for the concrete pad from C&S Concrete (\$1,632.00). All bids are on file in the Auditor's office. Motion carried.

**COVID-19 COURTHOUSE GUIDELINES:** The commissioners decided to allow the handicap restroom across from the Treasurer's office to be used as a public restroom. They are still requiring people coming into the courthouse to wear a mask. Employees need to wear a mask when in the hallways.

**COMMISSIONER MEETING DATES:** The commissioners discussed the dates for future meetings. They will meet November 5(canvas votes) & 17, December 1, 15 & 29(possibly), 2020 and January 5 & 19, 2021.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 11:30 AM, moved by Sinner, seconded by James to adjourn until 9:00 AM, Tuesday October 6, 2020 to convene in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Motion carried.

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James Tompkins  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Bonnie Fosheim  
Day County Auditor

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