

DAY COUNTY COMMISSION
WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA
June 6, 2023

The Day County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 9:00 AM, Tuesday June 6, 2023 in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Meeting called to order by Chairman Derek Sinner. Members present: Commissioners Kjos, McGregor-Okroi, Walter, and Tompkins. Others: Auditor Zimmerman, States Attorney Knight, Kevin Winter R&F, Glenn Gebur and Janet Marx.

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Glenn Gebur stated after looking at numbers that were stated at the last meeting giving a .50 raise to employees would be an additional \$1,040.00 raise for the year. After doing the math if an employee makes \$28.00/hr with health benefits that comes to \$58,000.00/yr and \$45.00/hr that comes out to \$93,600.00/year and not very many people in Day County make \$100,000.00 per year. He questioned if the County pays retirement and if that was figured into the dollar amount and if part time employees received health insurance. Gebur also questioned if part time highway workers were covered by the liability insurance. Chairman Sinner responded to Gebur that the 0.50 is just for budgeting purposes only.

MINUTES: Moved by Tompkins, seconded by Kjos to approve the minutes from May 23, 2023, regular commissioner meeting. Motion carried.

PAYROLL: Moved by Tompkins, seconded by Kjos to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the payroll period ending May 20, 2023. Walter opposed, for lack of transparency and accountability. Walter stated the report doesn't show salaried employee's hourly wage. Auditor Zimmerman explained to Walter that salaried employee's wages are not figured by an hourly wage and that the Board is approving the voucher expense of payroll and not the wages that were set and published at the first meeting of the year. Stating an hourly wage for salaried employees would be inaccurate. Walter stated that when himself, Commissioner Kjos and Commissioner McGregor-Okroi ran for election they ran on transparency and there has been less transparency since he was seated. Roll call: Walter-No; Kjos-Yes; McGregor-Okroi-Yes; Tompkins-Yes; Sinner-Yes. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 5,378.21; Treasurer's Office 5,883.21; Register of Deeds 5,215.70; State's Attorney 2,832.80; Sheriff's Office 10,835.88; Jailors 9,547.00; Assessor's Office 3,762.01; Commissioners 2,706.92; Ambulance 3,774.70; Home Health 602.00; WIC 430.00; Veteran's Service 1,773.50; Maintenance 1,840.00; Extension 1,246.00; Welfare 425.00; Drainage 288.86 Planning & Zoning 466.64; OEM 890.00; 911 445.00; Weed 730.15; Highway 19,833.83; Social Security 4,773.82; Medicare 1,116.46; Health Insurance 24,556.86; Dental Insurance 472.05; SD Retirement 4,373.49 for a total of 114,200.09.

CLAIMS: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Tompkins to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the following audited claims. Motion carried.

SERVICES: Century Business Products 137.89, Judith Cleveland 180.00, Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, LLC 1,247.95, Crossroads Inn 552.96, Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 5,750.00, Green Roby Oviatt, LLP 4,445.00, Journey Group Companies 192,191.60, Konexus, Inc 1,440.00, Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc. 95.00, Ramkota Inn 348.00, Gina Ruggieri 1,960.00, Sanford Health 2,468.26, Sinner Auto 84.25, Taliaferro Law Firm, P.C. 202.00,

SUPPLIES: A-OX 46.37, Ace 1,103.96, Auto Value Webster 292.38, CWD 1,102.94, Day County Treasurer 356.54, Dollar General 77.30, Fay's Refrigeration & Heating 33,800.00, Mid-American Research 348.58, Mike's Jack & Jill 371.35, National 4-H Council Shop 78.95, Power Plan 145.28, Premier Biotech, LLC 189.74, Snaza Implement LLC 79.85, TrueNorth Steel 3,914.76, Twin Valley Tire 2,829.25, Valley Office Products 496.14,

UTILITIES: AT&T 201.43, City of Webster 404.79, ITC Telecom 1,630.82, Midcontinent Communications 368.05, Northwestern Energy 19.01, RC Technologies 50.00,

RENTAL: Hanlon Bros. 5,055.56,

PER DIEM: Daniel Kjos 42.84, Sara McGregor-Okroi 73.44, James Walter 21.42,
PUBLISHING: Reporter and Farmer 729.87, Waubay Clipper 879.25,
MANUAL CHECKS: US Postal Service 2,857.80, Day County Treasurer 439.78,
Communications Management Group 2,000.00.

HANDICAP PARKING LOT PROJECT: Custodian Holland and Highway Supt. Braaten have started looking at how to turn the south part of the Courtyard into a new Handicap Parking lot which would be more accessible to the elevator. The board has directed them to keep moving forward with the project and getting quotes.

RECESS: Chairman Sinner declared a recess at 9:08 AM. Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 9:23 AM.

CASH TRANSFER: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Walter to transfer \$614,080.00 from General Fund 101-4-911-911 to Highway Fund 201-371 as budgeted for the 2023 budget. Motion carried.

CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AMMENDMENT: Moved by Tompkins, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve signing Amendment #717893 for the BIG Grant for structure #19-040-041. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT: Highway Supt. Braaten made a public comment and stated that he believes they need to stop talking about wages every meeting. It is making the County look like fools and there are bigger problems to be addressed such as housing, daycare, the ambulance and shore fishing. It is almost an embarrassment to work for the county and some of this needs to be handled in executive session.

TASER: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Tompkins to approve Sheriff Schreur to budget tasers in 2024. Schreur explained that the current tasers are coming to end of life and this will be a new leasing program. Motion carried.

2013 CHEVY TAHOE: Sheriff Schreur asked the Board to surplus and sell the 2013 Chevy Tahoe on Purple Wave. Planning and Zoning Director Schlotte suggested maybe keeping it so his department could have something with 4-wheel drive. Moved by Kjos, seconded by Walter to move the 2013 Chevy Tahoe from the Sheriff inventory to General Government Vehicles. Motion carried.

SICK LEAVE DONATION: Moved by Walter, seconded by Kjos to open the sick leave bank for a jail employee. Motion carried.

NEW HIRE: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Kjos to approve Sheriff Schreur to hire part-time dispatcher Gage Anderson at \$16.00/hr effective June 6, 2023. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST: Extension/4-H Youth Program Advisor Jennifer Ringkob reported they had a great turnout for the babysitting clinic they hosted. Ringkob also requested travel approval to attend the national Association of Extension 4-H Agents National Conference October 9-12, 2023. Moved by Walter, seconded by Tompkins to approve the travel request. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST: Auditor Zimmerman requested travel approval to Pierre for Election School Training October 17-19, 2023. Moved by Kjos, seconded by Tompkins to approve the Auditor's Office travel request. Motion carried.

OFFICE CLOSURE: Moved by Walter, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve the Auditor's office to be closed the afternoon of October 17 through October 19, 2023 as they will be attending training. Motion carried.

AMBULANCE: Ambulance Director Madsen gave an ambulance update. The update consisted of 26 calls in the last 2 weeks, new cots have been installed, and the 2015 Chevy Ambulance is back in service and running great.

ADVERTISEMENT: Director Madsen asked the board to advertise in the Reporter and Farmer in their Day County Area Business Magazine and go with a quarter page ad for \$310.00. Moved by Walter, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve Madsen to publish an ad in the Magazine. Motion carried.

DISTRICT MEETING: Auditor Zimmerman informed the Commission that the new date for the Lake Region District Meeting will be held July 13, 2023 at Roots Kitchen and Taphouse, Webster, SD.

FUTURE COMMISSIONER DATES: Future Commissioner dates were set as followed: August 8th and 22nd, September 5th and 19th, October 3rd & 17th, November 7th and 21st, and December 5th, 19th and 28th, 2023.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Walter, seconded by Tompkins to enter into Executive Session at 10:26 AM for personnel matters as per SDCL 1-25-2. Motion carried. Chairman Derek Sinner reconvened the regular session at 11:49 AM

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Walter, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to adjourn until 9:00 AM, on Tuesday June 20, 2023, to convene in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Motion carried.

Derek Sinner
Chairman

ATTEST:

Karli Zimmerman
Day County Auditor

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