

Custer County Commission Meeting (Wednesday, August 8, 2018)

Members present:

Commissioners Travis Bies, Phil Lampert, Jesse Sorenson, Jim Lintz, Mark Hartman and States Attorney Tracy Kelley.

A. Commission Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Adopting of the agenda

Chairman Lampert called for any additions or corrections to the agenda. With no additions or corrections, the agenda will stand as presented.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Lintz and seconded by Hartman to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2018 commission meeting minutes and the following vouchers and travel requests. Motion carried, unanimous.

Travel requests approved: Dawn McLaughlin and Terri Cornelison to SDACES in Oacoma, SD, at a cost of \$438.98; Patty Caster and Amanda Pierce to Department of Revenue Agricultural Workshop in Sturgis, SD, at a cost of \$18; Julie Jenniges and Laura Rosane to SDBHR Defusing Difficult & Hostile Customers in Rapid City, SD, at a cost of \$18.

Vouchers approved as follows:

PAYROLL: Commission \$1,875; Auditor \$4,930.53; Treasurer \$4,640.94; IST \$1,666.67; States Attorney \$6,809.86; Courthouse Building \$2,780; Equalization \$6,086.52; Register of Deeds \$2,725.07; Veteran Service \$415.45; Human Resource \$1,094.38; Sheriff \$25,357.28; Nurse \$822.38; Library \$5,266.75; Extension \$1,106.40; Weed & Pest \$1,435; Planning \$3,869.94; Highway & Bridge \$22,737.78; Emergency Management \$2,272.51; Dispatch \$918.16; Communications/911 \$10,095.68

COMMISSIONERS: Southern Hills Publishing \$265.61

AUDITOR: Southern Hills Publishing \$20.73; LCA Bank \$78.29; Golden West Telecommunications \$172.39

TREASURER: A & B Business \$.42; Golden West Telecommunications \$172.38

INFO TECHNOLOGY: Quill \$129.21; Golden West Telecommunications \$68.95

STATE'S ATTORNEY: Rapid City Regional Hospital \$20; Lexisnexi \$289; Cinda Jones \$40.83; Regional Health Network \$65.35; Golden West Telecommunications \$172.39; Rapid City Police Department \$127

COURTHOUSE BUILDING: Southern Hills Publishing \$31.10; French Creek Loggers \$9.29; Harvey's Lock Shop \$269.48; Cummins Central Power \$1,991.96; Servall Towel & Linen \$58.26; Freeman's Electric \$1,691.90; Golden West Telecommunications \$34.48

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: Southern Hills Publishing \$51.40; Governors Inn \$592; Arrowroot Resort \$611.70; South Dakota Department of Revenue \$440; Golden West Telecommunications \$206.86

REGISTER OF DEEDS: A & B Business \$44.56; Golden West Telecommunications \$137.91; Evergreen Office Products \$125.99

VETERANS SERVICES: Golden West Telecommunications \$34.48

INFO TECHNOLOGY: Golden West Technologies \$3,336.95; A & B Business \$133.67; Golden West Telecommunications \$10

HUMAN RESOURCE: Division of Criminal Investigation \$43.25

SHERIFF: Black Hills Energy \$61.75; McGas Propane \$122.18; French Creek Loggers \$186.05; A & B Business \$64.90; Tacticalgear \$44.95; Innovative Office Solutions \$60.89; Golden West Telecommunications \$348.77; Progressive Microtechnology \$598.61; SD Department of Public Safety \$1,170; Great Western Tire \$697; Battle Mountain Humane Society \$1,600

PRISONER CARE: Mary Seifert \$75; Correct RX Pharmacy \$17.59; Ann Allen \$300; Christine Peters \$150

AIRPORT: Grimms Pump Service \$60.83; Insurance Benefits \$2,467; Mayer Plumbing \$82.18; Golden West Telecommunications \$112.13; Custer County Weed & Pest \$121.84; MG Oil Company \$4,459; Mark & Shannon Stites \$3,000

POOR: Black Hills Energy \$17.55; Custer City \$72.66; Walmart Pharmacy \$34.53; State Farm \$210; Ally \$222.75; Custer County Treasurer \$87.60; Golden West Telecommunications \$40

MENTAL ILLNESS BOARD: Beesley Law Office \$162.50

LIBRARY: Mt Rushmore Telephone \$112.50; Golden West Telecommunications \$281.02

EXTENSION: A & B Business \$15.39; Golden West Telecommunications \$220.65

WEED & PEST: Bob McClaren \$70.09; Clay Pfeuffer Jr. \$48.75; Diane Giesen \$14.15; A & B Business \$15.03; Nancy Gausman \$40.63; Dachia Arritole \$29.50; Mike Linde \$182.66; Kirk Johnson \$15; Golden West Telecommunications \$48.81; Clay Shorb \$232.20; Jesse Studt \$100

PLANNING: Golden West Telecommunications \$137.91

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE: Black Hills Energy \$65.37; American Stamp & Marking Products \$88.68; Butler Machinery \$533.31; French Creek Loggers \$57.61; Godfrey Brake \$306.72; Lynn's Dakotamart \$12.98; Mt Rushmore Telephone \$114.75; S & B Motor Parts \$113.82; SD Department of Labor \$1,052.68; Servall Towel & Linen \$98.86; Town of Buffalo Gap \$54; Rosane Construction \$8,836.60; Snap on Tools \$21.40; Newman Traffic Signs \$345.43; Golden West Telecommunications \$269.90; Lyle Signs \$271.36; Croell Inc. \$1,236.30; Matco Tools \$35.05; Nelson's Oil & Gas \$464.55; Great Western Tire \$509.40; Dakotaland Autoglass \$188; CBH Cooperative \$6,924.05

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Corner Station \$36.81; Rushmore Communications \$51.23; Golden West Telecommunications \$103.43

24/7: Quill \$33.91; Pharmchem Inc. \$243.20; Redwood Toxicology Lab \$246

BUILDING: Custer City \$611.47; Sander Sanitation \$334.94

ROD MODERNIZATION & PRESERVATION: Microfilm Imaging Systems \$822.25

EMERGENCY LINE: A & B Business \$13.21; Pheasantland Industries \$22.25; Golden West Telecommunications \$1,375.93; SD Department of Public Safety \$1,170; AT & T \$23.13; RT Communications \$25.52

C. Conflict of Interest Declarations – Commissioner Bies declared a conflict of interest with item #3 French Fork Road maintenance under Highway.

D. Highway

1. Motion by Lintz and seconded by Sorenson to approve Brosz Engineering agreements for design on Spring Creek Cutoff Road SN 17-547-020, Bison Lane SN 17-540-147 and Fairburn Road SN 17-535-143. Motion carried, unanimous.
2. Motion by Lintz and seconded by Bies to authorize Gary Woodford, Highway Superintendent, to advertise and purchase two trucks from Eddie's Truck Sales. The trucks were surplus from Hughes County, South Dakota. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Lintz and seconded by Sorenson to authorize the county shop to maintain the 2.1 miles of French Fork Road. Motion carried, Commissioner Bies abstained.

E. Veteran Memorial

There was no person in attendance to the commission meeting to address the request for assistance with gravel needs to complete the veteran memorial.

F. Planning

1. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Bies to approve the Wireless Tower Communication Tower Modification from T Mobile at the Crazy Horse Tower located in the NW4SW4 of Section 34, T2S, R4E, Custer County, South Dakota. Motion carried, unanimous.

G. Safety Officer

1. Kim Kerkvliet, Safety Officer, reported that she had met with States Attorney Tracy Kelley, and the drug and alcohol policy would be the same in the Custer County Safety Manual as it is in the Custer County Employee Handbook. Kerkvliet will forward the completed Custer County Safety Manual to all the commissioners when it is finished. Kerkvliet also reported that she had accepted a bid from Western States Fire Protection for wall mounted fire extinguishers that will be installed at a later date. Kerkvliet will also have a training session for county employees on proper use of the fire extinguishers as well as an emergency evacuation plan.

H. Airport

1. Kent Penney from Kadrmass Lee & Jackson Inc. presented to the commission along with Rex Harris, Planning Director, to discuss the county's application for federal assistance in the widening design phase of the airport runway project. The total cost of the design phase of the project is \$360,000, with the county share of \$18,000. Motion by Sorenson and seconded by

Hartman to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the Application for Federal Assistance. Motion carried, unanimous.

I. Sheriff

1. Motion by Sorenson and seconded by Hartman to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the 2019 Law Enforcement Agreement with the City of Custer. Motion carried, unanimous.

J. Fire Advisory Board

1. Matthew Spring, Custer Fire Advisory Board Chairman, reported that the Fire Advisory Board had met on the 2nd of August and discussed the needs of the fire departments for the coming year. Custer Highlands Fire Department is requesting an additional \$13,550 to their current budget of \$23,000. The board would also like to request an additional amount of \$200,000 for bunker gear and air pack sets, \$50,000 for radios and \$75,000 for a Type 3 Unit for the Pringle Fire Department. The commission commented that if at the end of the year the county had a surplus in funds they would consider allocating some of that money to the fire departments.

K. SDSU Extension Service

1. Angie Keierleber gave the commission an update on the extension and conservation offices. The Custer County Fair will be held on August 9th through the 12th and she has judges lined up for the 4-H entries. Keierleber requested that the commission consider allowing Sherry Weber to continue working in the Extension Office one day a week through the months of September and October of 2018. Motion by Sorenson and seconded by Bies to approve Sherry Weber, nurse secretary, to work one day a week in the Extension Office during the months of September and October to continue training on 4-H activities. Keierleber also gave an update on the Conservation Office.

L. Maintenance

1. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Sorenson to approve the payment of \$5,370 to CR Concrete & Masonry for concrete and stone replacement on the flowerbox located on the east side of the courthouse building. Motion carried, unanimous.

M. Equalization

1. Patty Caster, Director of Equalization, reviewed the current discretionary formula for new commercial structures and additions. The new formula is 0% tax on the structure or addition for five years. Commissioner Hartman was advised to abstain from the discussion due to a conflict of interest. It was the consensus of the commission to invite all town boards to the next commission meeting to get their input on the discretionary formula.
2. Caster informed the commission that the South Dakota Department of Revenue will be holding an agricultural workshop in Sturgis, SD, on the 20th of August at 10:00 a.m. Caster and Appraiser Amanda Pierce will be attending the workshop and the commission is invited to attend as well.

N. Auditor

1. The commission acknowledged the completion of six month probation for Jeremy Uphoff and Christina Bohnet, Deputy Auditor II's.
2. Motion by Lintz and seconded by Bies to approve the revised Order for Organization and Incorporation of the Lakota Lake Encampment Road District located in Custer County, South

Dakota, which indicates the road district overlaps into Pennington County. Motion carried, unanimous.

3. Auditor, Terri Cornelison, reviewed the proposed 2019 department budgets and shared with the commission the breakdown of tax dollars to each taxing entity. The commission will need to have the 2019 provisional budget completed at the next commission meeting on August 22nd.
4. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Bies to approve the 3rd Quarterly Activity Report for Emergency Management. Motion carried, unanimous.

O. Public Comment – Mark Stites, Custer County Airport Manager, reported to the commission that there are four county owned airports in the State of South Dakota. Gary Enright with the Courthouse Museum reported to the commission that the museum has an opportunity to acquire an original cabin located at a former stage coach stop in Custer County and will be bringing that information to the commission at a future meeting.

P. Commission

1. Mail call – Thank you note from Keith & Judy Troili for mag watering on Box Canyon Road; Notice from SD DOT Public Meeting for the Black Hills Context Sensitive Corridors Study.
2. Meeting Schedule – The Custer County Fair will be held August 9th through the 12th at the Custer County Fairgrounds in Hermosa. Commissioner Sorenson reminded everyone that Black Hills Coop will sponsor the dinner on Thursday night, August 9th. The county will participate in the parade on Sunday, August 12th.
3. Meeting Reports – Commission Lampert reminded everyone that there is a new art gallery display in the court house and encouraged everyone to take time to view the new art displayed.

Q. Executive Session

1. Motion by Lintz and seconded by Sorenson to go into Executive Session pursuant SDCL 1-25-2(1), SDCL 1-25-2(3), and SDCL 28-13-42. Executive Session began at 10:12 a.m. to discuss personnel, consult with legal counsel and one indigent request and concluded at 11:14 a.m.
2. Motion by Bies and seconded by Hartman to authorize States Attorney Tracy Kelley to advertise to hire an additional part-time deputy states' attorney. Motion carried, unanimous.
3. Motion by Lintz and seconded by Sorenson to authorize States Attorney Tracy Kelley to add Custer County to the PILT Class Action Lawsuit to recover lost payment. Motion carried, unanimous.
4. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Lintz to approve the indigent request. Motion carried, unanimous.

R. Adjourn

Motion by Lintz and seconded by Hartman to adjourn the meeting at 11:21 a.m. The next meeting will be at 8 a.m. August 22, 2018 in the Commissioner's Room in the Custer County Courthouse.

Phil Lampert, Chairman

Attest:

Terri Cornelison, Custer County Auditor

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