

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

De Smet, South Dakota
February 16, 2021

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 8:30 AM in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioners Steve Spilde and Doug Kazmerzak attending via Zoom. Commissioners Delmer Wolkow, Roger Walls, Joe Jensen present. Chairman Walls presided.

Also attending via Zoom were, Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization, and Mike Siefker, Kingsbury Journal.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to approve the agenda. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Walls asked for public comment. Mike Siefker, with the Kingsbury Journal, stated he was happy to be back.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Chairman Walls asked the Board if there was any conflict of interest. There was none.

MINUTES

Kazmerzak moved and Jensen seconded to approve the minutes of February 2, 2021. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded to approve the minutes of February 9, 2021. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE CLAIMS

Spilde moved and Jensen seconded that the following claims presented to the Board for consideration be approved and the County Auditor be directed to issue warrant checks for payment of same. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS 52.13 SUPPLIES, CENTURYLINK 239.25 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 1191.78 UTILITIES, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 48.63 UTILITIES, DE SMET CITY 121.42 UTILITIES, KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP 623.60 UTILITIES, KINGSBURY COUNTY TREASURER 6.89 ADVANCE TAX, KINGSBURY COUNTY TREASURER 5.41 ADVANCE TAX, BYRON NOGELMEIER 220.00 1/2021 CAM, NORTHWESTERN 746.07 UTILITIES, NORTHWESTERN 1020.73 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 149.13 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 1529.61 UTILITIES, SD DEPT OF REVENUE 147552.38 1/2021 STATE REMITTANCE, SD MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION 21.20 LICENSE FOR 2021 FORD INTERCEP, SDACC 55.00 Welfare Officials Workshop, SPENCER QUARRIES/ 62649.21 SUPPLIES/ SEALING, VERIZON WIRELESS 233.74 UTILITIES,

MAINTENANCE

Lonnie Palmlund, Maintenance, met with the Board to discuss the ad to be placed for the bidding of the window replacement project.

Kazmerzak moved and Jensen seconded for Palmlund to place the ad for the bidding of the window replacement project with no changes. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Wolkow moved and Jensen seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel for evaluation at 9:00 A.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 10:06 A.M.

Spilde left the meeting.

BUDGET SUPPLEMENT HEARING

Jennifer Barnard, Auditor, reviewed the need for the Budget Supplement to the Big Ditch #4 Repairs and Maintenance Budget for 2021 in order to pay the invoice submitted by Spring Lake Township.

Barnard read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2021-6

FOR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, it is necessary to supplement the 2021 Annual Budget in order to carry on the indispensable function of Kingsbury County; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the proposed Supplemental Budget was duly considered by the Kingsbury County Commission on the 16th day of February, 2021 at 9:45 A.M. in the County Courtroom, pursuant to due notice;

NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED by the Kingsbury County Commission that the following Supplemental Budget be, and the same is, hereby approved for the purpose of providing budget to conduct the indispensable functions of Government, to-wit:

From the Bid Ditch #4 Fund

301-629-425 Repairs and Maintenance	\$15, 060.00
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Passed, approved and adopted this 16th day of February 2021, on a motion by Kazmerzak, seconded by Jensen.

All present voting via roll call: Walls - aye, Wolkow - aye, Jensen - aye, Kazmerzak - aye. Motion carried.

GREEN THUMB - TARRI ROTT

Andrew Trudeau, with Green Thumb Commodities, stated Tarri Rott was not able to attend the meeting. Trudeau reviewed and requested to continue with the previously established permitting process while load limits are posted for out of state trucks.

Trudeau also stated an additional elevator will be opening in Jefferson to help mitigate future spring seasons.

The Board verified with David Sorenson, Highway Superintendent, the permitting process was working. Sorenson stated it was working well.

It was the consensus of the Board to keep the current arrangement in place.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

David Sorenson, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to discuss highway matters.

Sorenson informed the Board load limit postings at six ton will now be posted the first or second week of March.

Sorenson stated the crew is continuing to haul quartzite chips and the Emergency Relief rip rap sites are completed.

Sorenson informed the Board that Valley Fibercom will need to place cable in the right of way and bore under county roads in several locations. This

will require permits to be signed as needed and Sorenson requested authorization to sign those permits.

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to authorize Sorenson to provide permits to Valley Fibercom as needed for the work requested. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Sorenson requested authorization to travel to Deadwood for the annual Short Course on March 23-25, 2021.

Wolkow moved and Kazmerzak seconded to authorize the travel expenses for the Short Course in Deadwood. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Sorenson discussed the maintenance needs on the 1984 pneumatic roller. Sorenson requested authorization to purchase a much newer model available from Asphalt Paving in Huron for \$19,000.00 and to declare the current unit as surplus.

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to approve the purchase of the pneumatic roller from Asphalt Paving. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Wolkow seconded to declare the 1984 pneumatic roller as surplus. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel for evaluation at 10:37 A.M. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 11:20 A.M.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Kazmerzak moved and Wolkow seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Planning and Zoning at 11:28 A.M. to discuss the Plat of Lot 1 of Tract 1 Jensen's Addition. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Walls declared the Board out of Planning and Zoning at 11:20 A.M.

Barnard read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 2021-7

WHEREAS, The Kingsbury County Planning & Zoning Board met to review the Plat of Lot 1 of Tract 1 Jensen's Addition in the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 111 North, Range 53 West of the 5th PM, Kingsbury County, South Dakota on February 16, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Kingsbury County Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of the same to the Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners, and

Now, Therefore, be it resolved, that the Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners accepts and approves the Plat of Lot 1 of Tract 1 Jensen's Addition in the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 111 North, Range 53 West of the 5th PM, Kingsbury County, South Dakota as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Motioned by Kazmerzak and seconded by Wolkow. All present voting via roll call:

Wolkow - aye, Jensen - abstain, Kazmerzak - aye, Walls - aye. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Cindy Bau, Emergency Manager/911 Coordinator, met with the Board to request authorization for herself and Sheriff Strande to attend the Annual Region Six Meeting being held in Yankton on March 3, 2021.

Wolkow moved and Jensen seconded to authorize the travel expenses for Bau and Strande to attend the Annual Region Six Meeting. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Bau informed the Board that she is in the process of scheduling a Covid-19 Task Force meeting to clarify information on vaccinations and other inaccurate information.

Spilde returned to the meeting.

TREASURER

Elaine Blachford, Treasurer, met with the Board to discuss various items.

Blachford provided information on the following properties that will have the Tax Deed process started in 2021. Tax due amounts are as of the end of February 2021.

Record number 8147 is an empty lot with taxes due of \$52.63. Record number 5044 and 5045 is a lot and second lot with an occupied residence with taxes due of \$4,023.79. Record number 5680 is an occupied residence with

taxes due of \$5,820.62. Record number 112 is an occupied residence with taxes due of \$1,416.31 and the owner is currently making payments on this one.

Blachford provided copies of the property cards for the above record numbers for the Board members with properties in their districts.

Blachford requested authorization for Deputy Michelle Longville to attend the Newly Elected Officials Workshop in Pierre on March 17-18, 2021. Blachford will be unable to attend herself.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to approve travel expenses for Longville to attend the Newly Elected Officials Workshop in Pierre. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Blachford informed the Board the 2021 tax dollars received up to February 12th totaled \$753,615.84, which is higher than the same date in 2020.

Blachford requested to move into Executive Session for personnel.

Spilde moved and Wolkow seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 12:05 P.M. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 12:20 P.M.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Board of Adjustment at 12:23 P.M. to approve the minutes from December 22, 2020. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Walls declared the Board out of Board of Adjustment at 12:25 P.M.

AUDITOR

Barnard informed the Board a request had been received from Agtegra Cooperative requesting permission to land on county roads for the purpose of servicing aircraft for arial application of chemical or fertilizer material.

Kazmerzack moved and Jensen seconded to grant the request of Agtegra Cooperative. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Barnard and the Board discussed the leave coverage for Covid-19 quarantine needs moving forward.

It was the consensus of the Board to return to the normal use of sick time for absence due to illness with the Families First Coronavirus Response Act ending December 31, 2020.

Barnard presented the Board with a new form for the office. This would be used whenever another department head requests a delay in payment from the county.

OPEN DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the option for health insurance coverage for the Zoning Officer.

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 1:11 P.M. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 1:30 P.M.

It was the consensus of the Board to leave the current policy in place for 2021.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 8:30 A.M.

SIGNED _____
Roger Walls, Chairman

ATTEST _____
Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor

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