

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

De Smet, South Dakota  
March 23, 2020

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Monday, March 23, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the County Commissioners meeting room in the Courthouse with Commissioners Roger Walls present and Steve Spilde, Shelley Nelson, Delmer Wolkow and Joe Jensen attending via conference call. Also attending via conference call were Gregg Gass, Kingsbury County State's Attorney, Cindy Bau, Emergency Management, Brenda Nesseim, Lake Preston City Finance Officer, Andy Wienk, Lake Preston Mayor and Donna Palmlund, with the De Smet News. Chairman Walls presided.

This meeting was recorded and available in the Auditor's office for listening.

APPROVE AGENDA

State's Attorney Gass requested to add Covid-19 to the agenda and Wolkow stated the need to add a clarification on the status of the courthouse to the agenda.

Nelson moved and Jensen seconded to approve the agenda as amended. All present voting via rollcall: Jensen - aye, Nelson - aye, Walls - aye, Wolkow - aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Walls asked for public comment. There was none.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Chairman Walls asked the Board if there was any conflict of interest. Nelson stated she had a conflict with Plat Approval item and would abstain from any action taken.

PLAT

Chairman Walls asked for a motion to accept the Plat of Lots 1, 2 & 3 of Lot A of Hauck's Bay Addition of Hauck's Landing Development a Part of Govt Lots 2 and 3 of Section 22 TWP 110 North, RGE 55 West as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board on March 17, 2020.

Wolkow moved and Jensen seconded to accept the afore mentioned Plat as previously recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board. All present voting via rollcall: Jensen-aye, Nelson - abstain, Wall - aye, Wolkow - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

COVID-19

Gass and Bau discussed the current standing of the Covid-19 situation with the Board and those present on the conference call. Gass referenced the press conference on March 22, 2020 in which Gov. Noem stated the local government at the city and county levels have the authority to establish and enforce guidelines. Each city in the county sets ordinances and the county covers establishments outside any city limits.

Gass discussed a resolution and an ordinance that was adopted by Beadle County on March 22, 2020 and requested the Board adopt the same once edited to fit Kingsbury County needs.

Nelson moved and Spilde seconded to accept the Ordinance to be edited to fit Kingsbury County needs. All present voting via rollcall: Jensen-aye, Nelson - aye, Wall - aye, Wolkow - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

Spilde moved and Wolkow seconded to accept the Resolution to be edited to fit Kingsbury County needs. All present voting via rollcall: Jensen-aye, Nelson - aye, Wall - aye, Wolkow - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

Nelson moved and Wolkow seconded to continue the meeting to 11:00 A.M. to allow for edits to be made to the discussed resolution and ordinance to fit Kingsbury County. All present voting via rollcall: Nelson - aye, Walls - aye, Wolkow - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

The Kingsbury County Board of Commissioners reconvened at 11:00 A.M. with a roll call taken. Those returning to the call are Wolkow, Jensen, Nelson, Spilde, Gass, Wienk, Nesseim, Palmlund, and Bau. Chairman Wall was present and presided.

Jennifer Barnard, Auditor, read the following Resolution 2020-2 and Ordinance 52:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-2

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTOIN TO ADDRESS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS BY IMPLEMENTING CERTAIN MEASURES WHICH HAVE BEEN DEEMED NECESSARY TO SLOW THE COMMUNITY SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, cases of COVID-19 have been determined to have a substantial impact in counties adjoining Kingsbury County, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, there are certain measures necessary to stop the spread of COVID-19; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kingsbury County Commission hereby implements the following requirements:

- Practice proper hygiene.
- Practice self-isolation.
- Practice social distancing.
- No groups of 10 or more people allowed socially or at a business.
- Stay at home and contact your medical provider if you believe you have symptoms.
- Please limit trips to purchase essential items.
- Please limit the time spent purchasing essential items.
- Stagger work schedules.
- All County offices are operating with limited public access to the buildings.

Spilde moved and Wolkow seconded to accept and approve Resolution 2020-2. All present voting vial rollcall: Nelson - aye, Wall - aye, Wolkow - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried. Jensen was not present for the full reading and did not vote.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 52

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO ADDRESS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS BY IMPLEMENTING CERTAIN MEASURES WHICH HAVE BEEN DEEMED NECESSARY TO SLOW THE COMMUNITY SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, the Kingsbury County Commission has the authority to pass ordinances for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals and general welfare, of the community and the promotion of health and the suppression of disease; and

WHEREAS, an outbreak of the disease COVID-19, which is caused by the novel coronavirus, has been confirmed in more than 100 countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a severe respiratory disease transmitted by person-to-person contact, or by contact with surfaces contaminated by the virus. In some cases, especially among older adults and persons with serious underlying health conditions, COVID-19 can result in serious illness requiring hospitalization, admission to an intensive care unit, and death; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have declared the outbreak of COVID-19 as a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on the same day, Governor Kristi Noem, issued Executive Order 2020-04 which declared a state of emergency to exist in the State of South Dakota in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the CDC and health experts have recommended social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, social distancing is a method of slowing down or stopping the spread of a contagious disease by reducing the probability of contact between infected persons and those not infected in order to minimize disease transmission; and

WHEREAS, in response to the need to implement social distancing all schools in the state have been closed for at least two weeks; and

WHEREAS, on March 16th, the White House issued guidance recommending that social gatherings of more than ten people be avoided, and that people avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts; and

WHEREAS, the guidance issued by the White House further recommended that in states with evidence of community transmission, bars, restaurants, food courts, gyms, and other indoor and outdoor venues where people congregate should be closed; and

WHEREAS, many states and communities across the country have already implemented the White House recommendations by ordering all bars, restaurants, food courts, gyms, and other indoor and outdoor venues where people congregate be closed until the public health emergency is over; and

WHEREAS, the failure to successfully implement social distancing will likely result in higher numbers of infected individuals and has the potential to overwhelm the capacity of the County's health care providers; and

WHEREAS, it is important that control measures be taken to reduce or slow down the spread of COVID-19 in order to protect the health and safety of the County's residents, especially for seniors and those with underlying health conditions that make them particularly vulnerable to COVID-19.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Kingsbury County Commission that:

1. Effective at 12:00 a.m. on March 24, 2020, all restaurants, food courts, coffee houses, bars, breweries, distilleries, wineries, clubs, cafes and other similar places of public accommodation offering food and beverages for on-site consumption, including any alcohol licensees with on-sale privileges, are closed to on-site/on-sale patrons. These businesses may continue to operate in order to provide take-out, delivery, curbside service, drive-thru service. Any business continuing to operate in order to provide off-site service should implement procedures to ensure social distancing and operate in compliance with federal and state health guidance in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
2. Effective at 12:00 a.m. on March 24, 2020, all recreational facilities, public pools, health clubs, athletic facilities and theaters, including movie theaters and music or entertainment venues are directed to close and cease operations.
3. Effective at 12:00 a.m. on March 24 2020, all hookah lounges, cigar bars, vaping lounges or other similar business which allow for on-site consumption are directed to cease allowing on-site consumption, but may continue to offer products for sale to consume off-site under the same conditions as bars and restaurants outlined in paragraph #1.
4. Effective at 12:00 a.m. on March 24, 2020, all arcades, bingo halls, bowling alleys. Indoor climbing facilities, skating rinks, trampoline parks, and other similar recreational or entertainment facilities are directed to close and cease operations.
5. The prohibitions and closures in this order do not apply to the following businesses:
  - a. Places of public accommodation that offer food and beverages for off-site consumption, including grocery stores, markets, retail stores that offer food, convenience stores, pharmacies, drug stores, and food pantries, other than any portion of such business which would be subject to the requirements of paragraph #1.
  - b. Room service in hotels.
  - c. Health care facilities, residential care facilities, congregate care facilities, and correctional facilities.

d. Crisis shelters, homeless shelters, soup kitchens, or other similar institutions.

e. Airport concessionaires.

f. Any emergency facilities necessary for the response to the current public health emergency or any other community emergency or disaster.

6. This ordinance shall remain in effect until such time as it is amended or repealed.

7. Any violation of this ordinance is subject to the general penalty provision in SDCL 7-18A-32. Each day a violation of this ordinance is allowed to occur is considered a separate offense.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of Kingsbury County and shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Nelson moved and Spilde seconded to accept and approve Ordinance 52. All present voting vial rollcall: Jensen - aye, Nelson - aye, Wall - aye, Wolkow - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

OPEN DISCUSSION

A request was brought to the Board to share the information regarding the Big Ditch plans and bid tabulation from Civil Design. It was the consensus the information was public record and could be shared.

The request for overweight permits for fuel to be brought into a local propane company was discussed along with alternate options used in previous years.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
Roger Walls, Chairman

ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor

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