

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

De Smet, South Dakota
May 18, 2021

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 8:30 AM in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioner Steve Spilde attending via Zoom. Commissioners Roger Walls, Delmer Wolkow, Doug Kazmerzak and Corey Lundquist 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

Spilde moved and Lundquist seconded to approve the agenda. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. 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. There was none.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

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

Sorenson informed the Board the crew will be hauling chips and clay this week and will begin patch sealing next week, weather permitting.

Sorenson requested a motion to approve the salary increase previously discussed.

Kazmerzak moved and Wolkow seconded to approve a \$0.50 per hour increase for Jeremy Jensen retroactive to February 1, 2021. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the use of fabric with Sorenson.

Ed Goss joined the meeting via zoom.

MINUTES

Spilde moved and Lundquist seconded to approve the minutes of May 4, 2021. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION

Anderson met with the Board and informed them a part time person had been hired. Bradley Robinson, from Arlington, will be starting on June 1, 2021 at a salary of \$14.00 per hour as previously approved. Robinson will be working 3-5 days per week as needed.

Kazmerzak moved and Spilde seconded to approve the hiring of Robinson at the previously approved salary of \$14.00 per hour. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Anderson requested to move into Executive Session for personnel.

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

Spilde moved and Lundquist seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 9:30 A.M.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Sorenson returned to the meeting and requested to move into Executive Session for personnel.

Kazmerzak moved and Wolkow seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 9:31 A.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Lundquist seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 9:50 A.M.

Elaine Blachford, Treasurer, joined the meeting via Zoom.

Joe Jensen, Planning & Zoning Officer, joined the meeting.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Wolkow moved and Lundquist seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Planning and Zoning at 9:53 A.M. to review two Plats. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Walls declared the Board out of Planning and Zoning at 10:26 A.M.

The Board discussed Resolution 2021-14 which had been read at the May 4, 2021 meeting and tabled until today.

Lundquist moved and Spilde seconded to accept and approve Resolution 2021-14 as read on May 4, 2021. All present voting via roll call: Wolkow - aye, Kazmerzak - aye, Lundquist - aye, Spilde - aye, Walls - aye. Motion carried.

Barnard read the following Resolutions:

RESOLUTION # 2021-15

WHEREAS, The Kingsbury County Planning & Zoning Board met to review the Plat of Lot 20 of Hauck's Bay Addition of Hauck's Landing Development, A Part of Lot 1 & Lot 2, A Part of Government Lots 2 & 3 of Section 22, TWP 110 North, RNG 55 West of the 5th PM, Kingsbury County, South Dakota on April 8, 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 20 of Hauck's Bay Addition of Hauck's Landing Development, A Part of Lot 1 & Lot 2, A Part of Government Lots 2 & 3 of Section 22, TWP 110 North, RNG 55 West of the 5th PM, Kingsbury County, South Dakota as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Kazmerzak moved and Wolkow seconded to accept and approve Resolution 2021-15. All present voting via roll call: Wolkow - aye, Kazmerzak - aye, Lundquist - aye, Spilde - aye, Walls - aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 2021-16

WHEREAS, The Kingsbury County Planning & Zoning Board met to review the Plat of Virchow Addition located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 110 North, Range 55 West of the 5th PM, Kingsbury County, South Dakota on May 18, 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 Virchow Addition located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 110 North, Range 55 West of the 5th PM, Kingsbury County, South Dakota as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Wolkow moved and Lundquist seconded to accept and approve Resolution 2021-16. All present voting via roll call: Wolkow - aye, Kazmerzak - aye, Lundquist - aye, Spilde - aye, Walls - aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE CLAIMS

Wolkow moved and Spilde 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

ACE GROUP LLC 1342.41 SUPPLIES, BEADLE COUNTY SHERIFF 4430.00 PRISONER CARE, CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS 29.07 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 240.18 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 776.06 UTILITIES, CODINGTON COUNTY TREAS 60.00 DISTRICT MEETING, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 48.63 UTILITIES, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 370.01 UTILITIES, KINGSBURY CO REGISTER OF DEEDS 9762.50 REFUND DOUBLE PMT OF 3/21 FEES, KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP 410.80 UTILITIES, KINGSBURY COUNTY TREASURER 63.60 HIGHWAY LICENSE FEES, BYRON NOGELMEIER 105.00 04/2021 CAM, NORTHWESTERN 286.56 UTILITIES, NORTHWESTERN 794.95 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 155.81 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 1302.83 UTILITIES, SD DEPT OF REVENUE 139136.11 04/2021 STATE REMITTANCE, SDACO 268.00 APR-21 MP&R REMITTANCE,

TREASURER

Blachford met with the Board to inform them her retirement date would need to be June 11, 2021 due to requirements of the South Dakota Retirement System. Blachford also stated she is willing to return as a part time employee while another deputy is out on maternity leave.

Blachford requested to move into Executive Session for personnel.

Lundquist moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 10:50 A.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Lundquist moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 11:42 A.M.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Cindy Bau, Emergency Management, met with the Board to discuss various upcoming conferences and trainings.

Bau stated the next LEPC meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2021 and the planning of a full-scale event for Arlington will take place.

Bau stated a new Public Information Officer needs to be appointed by the Board. This was previously assigned to Joe Jensen.

Bau informed the Board the Fall Convention will be held in Watertown September 13-17, 2021. There will be a \$95.00 registration fee and travel costs. During the conference, the E101 class will be held free of charge for those who are still needing to get their certification.

Wolkow moved and Kazmerzak seconded to approve the expenses for the Fall Convention in September. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Bau stated she and Brandon Duffy, Sheriff Deputy, would need to attend Credentialing Training on June 16, 2021 in Watertown.

Kazmerzak moved and Lundquist seconded to approve the travel to Watertown for Credentialing Training on June 16, 2021. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Bau informed the Board that two of four Homeland Security Grants had been approved to this point. De Smet Rescue will be receiving \$18,102.00 and Iroquois Fire and Rescue will be receiving \$32,000.00.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Chairman Walls read a letter to the Board from a nearby resident. The letter pertained to the beauty and elegance of the Courthouse since the removal of the trees in 2019.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Caryn Hojer, Register of Deeds, met with the Board and 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 12:16 PM. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

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

AUDITOR

Barnard discussed various items with the Board.

Barnard discussed the new CDC guidelines with the Board regarding those individuals who have been vaccinated no longer needing to wear masks indoors or outside.

The Board ask Barnard to bring department heads with comments to join the meeting. Hojer, Anderson, and Blachford joined the meeting. Only two employees in the courthouse have not been 100% vaccinated.

Kazmerzak moved and Spilde seconded to remove the mask mandate and door monitor on June 1, 2021 and continue to encourage the use of masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Barnard reviewed recommendations from Safety Benefits that resulted from the last inspection. A majority of recommendations for the courthouse included policy and ergonomic updates.

Barnard presented information from Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad requesting County support for a project to raise a portion of the rail line.

Kazmerzak moved and Lundquist seconded to authorize Chairman Walls to sign the letter of support for the Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad project. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Barnard requested a time to schedule Tracie Everson, with Safety Benefits, to speak to the county employees. It was the consensus of the Board to delay this until fall.

Barnard presented two Uniform Alcoholic Beverage License Applications renewals for Jerrys Country Store and Mathews Store. Both had made the required payment for the renewal and no public hearing is required.

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded to approve the renewal of both Uniform Alcoholic Beverage License Applications renewals. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Barnard discussed the proposed window replacement payment proposal from Northern Plains Construction. It was the consensus of the Board to make a counter proposal.

Barnard discussed information on HB1259 regarding funding that will be coming into the County in two phases for the inventory and repair of small structures on Township roads that conform with the bill.

Barnard discussed update information that had been received regarding American Rescue Plan Federal Grant Funds that will be coming to the county. Guidelines on how the funds can be spent are being updated often, are still very vague, and must be directly related to Covid-19 issues.

Barnard requested to attend the National Association of County Officials Annual Conference virtually in July. The registration cost is \$585.00 and there would be no travel costs.

No action was taken.

Barnard requested to move into Executive Session for personnel.

Wolkow moved and Lundquist seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 2:10 PM. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 3:19 PM.

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

SIGNED _____
Roger Walls, Chairman

ATTEST _____
Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor

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