

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

De Smet, South Dakota
May 21, 2024

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 8:44 A.M. in the Courtroom of the County Courthouse with Commissioners Kyle Lee, Steve Spilde, Roger Walls, Corey Lundquist, and Troy Nelson present. Chairman Lee presided.

Attending via Zoom were Amy Halverson- Kingsbury Journal, Michelle Longville - Treasurer, and Tammy Anderson - Director of Equalization.

Also in attendance were Gary Schumacher - States Attorney, Scottie Hojer, Jim Conrad and David Close.

Chairman Lee called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER FOR DISTRICT 2

Chairman Lee called for a motion to appoint Troy Nelson to fill the District 2 Commissioner position.

Motion by Spilde and Seconded by Lundquist to appoint Troy Nelson as Commissioner for District 2. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE

Schumacher administered the oath of office to the newly appointed official, Troy Nelson- Commissioner District 2.

AGENDA

Chairman Lee asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda.

Gary Schumacher requested to add at 9:00 A.M. Michelle Longville, Treasurer, to discuss 2 Lake Preston properties. No action to be taken.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Walls to approve the agenda with the addition. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Chairman Lee asked if there were any corrections to the May 7, 2024 minutes. There were none.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Spilde to approve the minutes of May 7, 2024. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Lee asked for public comment.

Scottie Hojer, Oldham, addressed the Board concerning road projects. Hojer stated he agreed with the 438th project that had been proposed at the May 7, 2024 meeting and would like the Board to also consider paving 445th Ave. A 2-mile stretch from Oldham to the county line. Hojer stated he wanted to bring this to the Board's attention and would request it to be put on the agenda for further consideration at a later date.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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

APPROVE CLAIMS

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Lundquist 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. Motion carried.

CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS 355.65 SUPPLIES, CENTURYLINK 222.61 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 971.85 UTILITIES, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 63.04 UTILITIES, CITY OF HURON 4001.37 911 SURCHARGE - MARCH 2024, DOUG KAZMERZAK 153.00 TRAVEL, KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP 448.20 UTILITIES, KYLE LEE 72.42 TRAVEL, COREY LUNDQUIST 258.06 TRAVEL, NORTHWESTERN ENERGY 379.98 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 179.70 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 1052.65 UTILITIES, SD DEPT OF REVENUE 139387.32 STATE REMITTANCE, SD PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY 500.00 PRO SERVICES, SDACO 200.00 WORKSHOP FEES, SDACO 100.00 WORKSHOP FEES, STEVEN L. SPILDE 229.50 TRAVEL, USPS-POSTAGE BY PHONE 1500.00 POSTAGE, ROGER WALLS 134.64 TRAVEL,

HIGHWAY

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

Sorenson informed the Board they had started paving north of Badger, replaced culverts and that he had received approval for a safety grant for a guard rail project on the Oldham road. The grant is a cost share of 90% by the State and 10% by the County. Construction would not begin until 2025.

AUDITOR

Echo Steffensen, Auditor, informed the Board Governor Noem had granted in addition to the July 4th Independence Day Holiday administrative leave for Friday, July 5, 2024. The County's policy is to observe any additional holiday granted by the Governor and the Courthouse would be closed.

Steffensen requested travel approval for the Deputy Auditor to travel to Pierre, SD on June 11, 2024 for the Deputy Workshop.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Nelson to approve the travel request for the Deputy Auditor to attend the Deputy Workshop in Pierre June 11, 2024. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION

Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization, met with the Board to request travel approval to Brookings to attend the 2024 Assessor School July 29-Aug 2, 2024. Also, for the Deputy Director of Equalization to travel to Oacoma to attend the 2024 Assessor School September 16-20, 2024.

Motion by Walls and seconded by Lundquist to approve the travel requests. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

TREASURER

Michelle Longville, Treasurer, met with the Board to discuss the tax deed process on 2 properties in Lake Preston. Jim Conrad and David Close also attended. Conrad and Close are interested in purchasing the properties after the tax deed is taken. Longville stated they were interested in knowing what the Board's plan would be for the properties.

Chairman Lee stated a decision could not be made since it was not on the agenda prior to posting which is required 24 hours before any public meeting.

AUDITOR

Steffensen provided a workshop on Budgets for the Commissioners.

The Board adjourned to Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 8:30 A.M.

SIGNED

Kyle Lee, Chairman

ATTEST

Echo Steffensen, County Auditor

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