

ZIEBACH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FEBRUARY 5, 2025

The Ziebach County Commissioners met in regular session at 1:00 PM with Shane Farlee, Bill Henderson, David Pesicka, Rick Farlee and Tucker Stocklin present. Chairman R. Farlee called the meeting to order.

The following monies were on deposit as of the end of January 2025:

Cash on Hand	\$ 200.00
In Transit	296.50
1 st Financial Bank, Dupree	3,000.00
Money Market, Dupree	1,911,327.42
CD – 12 Month	148,658.63
CD – 18 Month	<u>153,538.33</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,217,020.88

The following fees were reported for the month of January 2025:

Register of Deeds	\$ 1,624.00
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MINUTES: Comm. Dave Pesicka moved to approve the January 7, 2025 minutes as presented, seconded by Comm. Shane Farlee, all voted aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: The Warhawk Mitigation Plan was approved through January 15, 2030.

SHERIFF REPORTS: Gary Cudmore, Sheriff presented his monthly vehicle reports to the Board. He reported that there was a situation that had gone on earlier that morning, but they got it taken care of.

GAS BIDS: The following gas quotes were received: Agtegra –SNL Gas, \$2.759. Farmers Union Oil Co. – SNL Gas, \$2.679 NL Gas, \$2.879. Comm. Henderson moved to accept the quote from Farmers Union Oil Co, seconded by Comm. Stocklin, all voted aye, motion carried.

SURPLUS ITEMS: Comm. Stocklin moved to declare the following items as surplus as they are no longer necessary, useful or suitable for the purpose for which they were acquired, seconded by Comm. Henderson, all voted aye, motion carried:

(5) Office Mats of varying sizes, Wood Mail Organizer, (2) Metal Office Desks, (4) Wooden Office Desks, a Wooden Bookshelf, (2) Wheel Chairs, (5) Office Chairs, (2) Metal Typewriter Stands, A Wooden Dolly, (5) Computer monitors of varying sizes, (2) Printers, (2) Keyboards, a Coffee Pot, a Canon Calculator, and a White Wooden End Table **HWY DEPT:** Ford 7710 Tractor & Side Mower, R105-2 Three Point Rotary Mower, 20500-57 Water Tank Trailer, 1992 Ford F-150 4WD Pickup, (3) Used 14.00-24 Tires, (1) New 14.00-24 Tire, Diesel Exhaust Emissions System for a 2011 Mack Pinnacle, a Yard Machine Push Mower, 8ft x 8ft Square Shed, 17.5 x 25 Blade Tires (well used), 7-12 ft. Wide Garage Door Panels, Scrap Steel.

These items will be advertised and sold at public auction on March 5, 2025 at 2:00 PM.

WEIGHT LIMITS & SPEED LIMIT ENFORCEMENT: The following resolution is still in affect with no changes being made:

ZIEBACH COUNTY SPEED LIMITS & WEIGHT PER AXLE LIMITS

WHEREAS, the County of Ziebach, South Dakota, is responsible for the maintenance of certain highways under its jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, Ziebach County desires to protect existing Ziebach County roads, ultimately saving tax dollars, and

WHEREAS, Ziebach County desires the enforcement of weight limitations and speed limits on Ziebach County roads as set forth and posted by the Ziebach County Highway Superintendent.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLOVED, that the limits on Ziebach County roads shall be set at six (6) ton per axle with an 80,000 GVW, on all county roads when limit signs are in place.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County of Ziebach shall request the South Dakota Highway Patrol Motor Carrier Enforcement Officers to enter the County of Ziebach with scales adequate to weigh motor vehicles to ensure compliance with State Laws pertaining to vehicle weight, and with the weight laws established by this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the speed limit on all county roads within Ziebach County, South Dakota shall be 55 MPH, unless posted otherwise. Ziebach County requests the South Dakota Highway Patrol to enter the County of Ziebach to enforce the speed limit on all Ziebach County roads.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be effective each and every year hereafter unless repealed or modified by duly enacted resolution.

Dated the 5th Day of February, 2025.

BANK FRANCHISE: Ziebach County received \$95,321.06 in Bank Franchise funds for 2025. The County's share of these funds is \$34,963.29. This is a significant increase from last year.

LEGISLATIVE AUDIT: Matthew White with legislative audit came to present the notice of audit for the years 2022-2023. He informed the commission on the responsibilities of the county for this audit as well and the billable rates. Shane Farlee motioned to accept the audit, seconded by Tucker Stocklin, all voted aye, motion carried.

DRIVER'S LICENSING: Jessica Donovan, Treasurer, updated the board on progress with driver's licensing. Scheduling has been helping. If you need to renew your driver's license or test for a new driver's license, you will need to make an appointment and have your appropriate paper work with you on arrival.

The state is implementing a new system called 605Drive and it will be launching February 17, 2025. As they transition to the new system, motor vehicle transactions, including title transfers and registration renewals will not be available between February 14th – February 17, 2025. They ask that the public please be patient as they transfer to the new system as it will be an adjustment. Processes may take longer. Plan accordingly. During this time, however, you will still be able to come in and pay your taxes.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Jeff Jensen, Highway Superintendent, presented his written update to the board. He mentioned the possibility of getting an extension for the Veit Pit. This would allow them a longer window to haul gravel. The Highway Department completed the MSHA training in January. They are continuing to work on roads as weather permits. Jeff is continuing to try and get updates from Dakota Longbrake on the bridge north of town and the road near Eagle Butte. So far, he hasn't received any new information. Jeff also briefly discussed the possibility of changing the road near JR Keckler's residence or finding a solution to the road near the dump ground in Eagle Butte. Rick Farlee agreed to talk to JD Williams and JR Keckler about solutions. More discussions will be had in future meetings.

EULBERG STOCKPILE ADDENDUM: Comm. Tucker Stocklin moved to approve the Eulberg Stockpile Addendum, seconded by Comm. Shane Farlee, all voted aye, motion carried. This will allow the county time to leave the gravel stockpile at the Eulberg site for an additional two years.

LAND SALE AUCTION: The board set the date for the Land Sale Auction and the Surplus Auction for March 5, 2025. The sale will begin at 2:00 P.M. after the monthly Commissioner's meeting has adjourned.

ZIEBACH/DEWEY ROAD AGREEMENT: Comm. S. Farlee moved to approve the Agreement Between Ziebach and Dewey Counties in Regard to Border Line and Shared Maintenance Roads, seconded by Comm. Pesicka, all voted aye, motion carried.

INSURANCE BONUS: At the previous meeting, the possibility of giving an insurance bonus to those who opt out of taking county insurance was discussed. The commission decided that it was best to leave it as is.

COURTHOUSE WATER PIPES : The courthouse has had to close on multiple occasions this winter due to frozen pipes. A hole was discovered in the boiler pit adjacent to the courthouse basement, which was allowing cold air in and causing the pipes to freeze. Dean Little Hawk, maintenance, ended up repairing the hole for the time being. This will be a temporary fix until spring. When spring arrives and the ground thaws, the highway department alongside the maintenance department, will cover the pipes properly and fill in the hole completely. This should prevent freezing in the future.

CLAIMS AUDITED: The following claims were audited and ordered paid:

PAYROLL BY DEPARTMENT – Commissioners, 5740.07 --- Auditor, 7985.08 --- Treasurer, 9065.81 --- States Attorney, 4875.59 --- Courthouse, 4510.28 --- Director of Equalization, 5593.34 --- Register of Deeds, 7840.29 --- VSO, 839.72 --- Sheriff, 11532.13 --- Coroner, 137.69 --- CHN/WIC, 6350.06 --- Extension --- 986.77 --- Road & Bridge, 18951.77 – Emergency Management – 1008.69

1ST FINANCIAL BANK USA	1649.34	ENVELOPES, OFFICE SUPPLIES
AGTEGRA ENERGY	1250.46	FUEL/GAS

AT&T MOBILITY	222.48	AIRCARDS
CITY OF DUPREE	256.70	WATER,SEWER+ DUMPSTERS
CONNECTING POINT	1343.60	FIREWALL
CRST TELEPHONE AUTHORITY	880.03	TELEPHONE + INTERNET
D & R PROPANE, INC.	1341.56	PROPANE
JESSICA DONOVAN	91.40	POSTAGE FOR TAX NOTICES
FAITH LUMBER COMPANY	185.83	SUPPLIES
RICK FARLEE	32.16	MILEAGE
SHANE FARLEE	13.40	MILEAGE
FARMERS UNION OIL CO.	2819.11	SUPPLIES/REPAIRS
BILL HENDERSON	8.04	MILEAGE
INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICES	702.99	PARTS/REPAIRS
DEAN LITTLE HAWK	29.48	MILEAGE
MARCO	272.91	COPIER LEASE
MCLEOD'S PRINTING	502.97	MINERAL DEED BOOK
MEADE COUNTY AUDITOR	760.00	BOARD OF PRISONERS
MOREAU-GRAND ELECTRIC	3223.44	ELECTRICITY
PREMIER EQUIPMENT	45.00	CABLE PULLEY
SD DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	4016.00	REEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE
SD DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	111.47	SCHULER BRIDGE PROJECT
SD SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	572.39	2025 DUES
SD ASSOC OF CO OFFICIALS	1731.00	2025 SDACC+NACO DUES
SERVALL	142.02	SUPPLIES + RUGS
TUCKER STOCKLIN	33.50	MILEAGE
SUNMASTER AUTO GLASS	519.98	WINDSHIELD REPLACEMENT
TITAN MACHINERY	1331.13	PARTS
TRUE NORTH STEEL	16447.20	CULVERTS
VANGUARD APPRAISALS, INC.	925.00	VANGUARD SERVICE FEES
WEST RIVER EAGLE	839.06	ADVERTISING+LEGALS

OTHER BUSINESS: Chairman Rick Farlee mentioned concern for the courthouse flag pole. The pole was bent in a storm in June and still hasn't been fixed. He would like to see it repaired by the next meeting. He also suggested putting a flag in the Commissioner's room going forward. The Commission all seemed in agreement with the suggestions.

The Courthouse Chain of Command was also reiterated. Gary Cudmore is the Department Head for the Courthouse and Jeff Jensen is the Department Head of the Highway Department. All complaints need to be filed through the correct channel going forward.

Commissioner Bill Henderson left the meeting at 2:26 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Shane Farlee moved to go into executive session at 2:38 PM to discuss legal matters, seconded by Comm. Pesicka, all voted aye, motion carried. Olivia Dosch and Shane Penefield were also present. The Board came out of executive session at 2:43 PM.

MARCH MEETING: The March Commissioner Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 1:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business before the Board, Comm. Stocklin moved to adjourn at 2:57 PM, seconded by Comm. S. Farlee, all voted aye, meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Olivia Dosch, Auditor

Rick Farlee, Chairman

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