

## ZIEBACH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**NOVEMBER 7, 2024**

The Ziebach County Commissioners met in regular session at 1:00 PM with Rick Farlee, Bill Henderson, David Pesicka, Shane Farlee present. Tucker Stocklin arriving at 1:10 PM. Chairman Rick Farlee called the meeting to order.

The following monies were on deposit as of the end of October, 2024:

Cash on Hand	\$ 200.00
In Transit	1260.29
1 <sup>st</sup> Financial Bank, Dupree	3,000.00
Money Market, Dupree	2,314,607.10
CD – 12 Month	147,482.01
CD – 18 Month	<u>152,492.82</u>
 TOTAL	 \$ 2,619,042.22

The following fees were reported for the month of October 2024:

Register of Deeds	\$ 948.00
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**MINUTES:** Comm. Bill Henderson moved to approve the October minutes as presented, seconded by Comm. Pesicka, all voted aye, motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Russel Johnson came before the commission to notify them that he recently bought the Faith Independent and that they are willing to help out with any of the County's publishing needs going forward. He thanked them for past business and continued business.

**FUEL QUOTES:** The Highway Department called for fuel quotes on October 29, 2024. The following quotes were received: Farmers Union Oil Co. – Dyed #2 DSL, \$2.51 Agtegra – Dyed #2, \$2.63. Farmer's Union was accepted.

**GAS BIDS:** The following quotes for gas were received: Agtegra– SNL Gas, \$2.65; Farmer’s Union Oil – NL Gas -- \$2.80 - SNL Gas, \$2.57. Comm. Henderson moved to accept the quote from FUOC, seconded by Comm. David Pesicka, all voted aye, motion carried

**TELEPHONE CABLE EASEMENT:** Comm. Bill Henderson moved to approve the Easement to Install telephone cable for Golden West Telecommunications, seconded by Comm. Shane Farlee, all voted aye, motion carried.

**SDPAA INSURANCE QUOTE:** Becky Brunsing from South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance came to present their insurance quote for the county. She went over the policies that they have and what they can cover. The county is looking into the two-million-dollar coverage with a retroactive addition which would cover any claims from the previous two years as well. The plan would cost the county \$52,023.52. Last year, the county paid \$56,644 for their insurance with EMC through Butler’s Insurance Agency. The commission decided to not take any further action until they had the renewal quote from Butler’s Insurance. They will receive the quote and make a decision and the next meeting.

**HWY. DEPT. REPORT:** Jeff Jensen, Highway Superintendent presented his monthly written report to the Board. The Commission had four areas of concern that they wanted the Roads Department to focus on when they have time available. These four areas were as follows: AJ Star- Flintrock Road, Jeremy Meeks Road, Thunder Butte Road, and Roy Lemmon’s Road. Roy Lemmon requested that his road be maintained once a year. These four roads have too much of a crown and need to be leveled out. Jensen agreed to work on these roads when his schedule allows. Jerry Keckler also requested three to four loads of gravel be put on the road near his place. There was also discussion about wages as the January meeting approaches. The Commission also discussed placing the Osh Kosh snowblower as surplus as winter approaches. It will be discussed at the next meeting. The Superintendent mentioned that this

month they had to replace the hydraulic steering pump for the case loader because it gave out. The roads department is continuing to haul gravel and blade roads as the weather permits.

**RESIGNATION:** Dillion Dupree presented a letter of resignation on October 18, 2024, which will be effective October 28, 2024. Comm. S. Farlee moved to accept the resignation, seconded by Comm. Dave Pesicka, all voted aye, motion carried.

**GENERAL ELECTION CANVASS:** The Board canvassed the votes from the 2024 General Election held in Ziebach County on November 5, 2024. No errors or changes were found. Comm. Shane Farlee moved to certify the canvass as reported, seconded by Comm. Tucker Stocklin, all voted aye, motion carried. The Board signed the Official Certificate of Canvass and it was forwarded to the Secretary of State's Office for the official state canvass.

**POST ELECTION AUDIT DRAW:** Following the canvass, the auditor must draw for the post election audit. This is the first year that the state is implementing a post-election audit. The Post Election Audit must take place within fifteen days following the completion of the state canvassing of a primary and general election. The audit is open to the public. The audit requires a manual count of 5% of the voting precincts, and a minimum of 100 ballots to be counted. Two races must be audited. One must be a statewide contest. The review of the voted ballots is to verify whether the equipment used to count votes works properly and yielded the correct results. A random draw was conducted by the Ziebach County Auditor at the conclusion of the canvas and the following precincts were designated for the Audit:

North Dupree, South Dupree, and Redelm (combined) precinct, with a total of 379 votes cast.

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1. State Senator District 28

## 2. Measure 29

A total of 379 ballots will be manually counted and the results will be compared to the tabulator's result.

The results of the audit will be shared at the December Commissioner's meeting.

**SHERIFF DEPT. REPORT:** Gary Cudmore, Ziebach County Sheriff, presented his monthly written report to the Board.

**LATCF:** Ziebach County received \$50,000.00 from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund.

These funds can be used for any governmental purpose other than lobbying. The county had a remaining \$26,000 left to allocate. Comm. Henderson moved to use the remaining \$26,000 towards gravel hauling for the Highway Department. Seconded by Comm. Pesicka, all voted aye, motion carried.

**HOLIDAYS:** The Board confirmed the following additional holidays granted by Governor Noem:

Thanksgiving, Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> and Christmas, Monday and Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

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

PAYROLL BY DEPARTMENT – Commissioners, 4807.93 --- Auditor, 7638.70 --- Treasurer, 8972.83  
--- States Attorney, 4689.49 --- Courthouse, 4359.42 --- Director of Equalization, 5367.54 --- Register of  
Deeds, 7955.65 --- VSO, 797.25 --- Sheriff, 10,747.27 --- Coroner, 299.33 --- CHN/WIC, 5283.30 ---  
Extension, \$773.14 -- Road & Bridge, 25,133.18 --- Emergency/Disaster, 957.81

DEJA ALANIZ	180.00	ELECTION FEES
ALL SAINTS PARISH	100.00	ELECTION FEES
BRIDGER LOCAL BOARD	200.00	ELECTION BUILDING RENTAL
CAROLYN BROOKS	45.00	TABULATION CENTER
RUBY BROOKS	202.50	ELECTION FEES
ARLENE H. DEMERY	217.50	ELECTION FEES
MARY DOSCH	202.50	ELECTION FEES

JANA HARRIS	277.00	ELECTION FEES
MARY K. HARRIS	292.00	ELECTION FEES
LAVAY HAYES	319.34	ELECTION FEES
TRACIE HENDERSON	45.00	TABULATION CENTER
KAREN HUMP	315.60	ELECTION FEES
SAGE HUNT	180.00	ELECTION FEES
AMY LINN	232.50	ELECTION FEES
JUNE LITTLE SHIELD	187.50	ELECTION FEES
DEVINA LONGBRAKE	391.16	ELECTION FEES
SHAYNE NEZZIE	180.00	ELECTION FEES
GRAYLIN PEDERSON	195.00	ELECTION FEES
KATHERINE POTHAST	320.40	ELECTION FEES
REE RED HORSE	195.00	ELECTION FEES
KIMBERLY SHANNON	45.00	TABULATION CENTER
GAIL STAMBACH	232.50	ELECTION FEES
MAKAI THUNDER HAWK	195.00	ELECTION FEES
NILA WOODWARD	202.50	ELECTION FEES
NINA ZORC	210.00	ELECTION FEES
1ST FINANCIAL BANK USA	1177.94	SUPPLIES, LODGING, & TECHNOLOGY
1ST INSURANCE SERVICES	1420.80	SURETY BONDS 2 YR
AGTEGRA ENERGY	1466.06	FUEL
ANYTIME HEATING & COOLING	270.35	AIR CONDITIONING REPAIR
ARROWWOOD RESORT & CONFERENCE	571.60	LODGING
AT&T MOBILITY	228.05	AIR CARDS
BLUE360 MEDIA, LLC	102.75	CRIMINAL & TRAFFIC LAW MANUAL
JAMES BROOKS	284.67	MV REFUND
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	88.34	AIR FILTERS
C & B OPERATIONS, LLC	1139.89	WEATHER STARTER+REAR WINDOW
CHANDLERS INC.	396.13	WINDOW FOR BLADE
CITY OF DUPREE	241.13	WATER, SEWER, DUMPSTER

CONNECTING POINT	1050.25	CONNECT CARE & BACKUPS
CRST TELEPHONE AUTHORITY	926.92	TELEPHONE AND INTERNET
DAKOTABILITIES	180.00	CARE
ELECTION SYSTEMS &	1567.66	CODING
RICK FARLEE	32.16	MILEAGE
SHANE FARLEE	13.40	MILEAGE
FARMERS UNION OIL CO.	11846.57	FUEL/SUPPLIES/REPAIRS
GREAT WESTERN TIRE	600.00	TIRE REPAIR
BILL HENDERSON	8.04	MILEAGE
KINNEY LAW, PC	3331.59	COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY FEES
MARCO	318.91	COPIER LEASE
MCLEOD'S PRINTING	209.64	VOUCHER SLIPS
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	1880.58	CLEANING SUPPLIES
MOREAU-GRAND ELECTRIC	980.51	ELECTRICITY
OFFICIAL SECURITY LLC	970.00	AMMUNITION + HOLSTER
PREMIER EQUIPMENT	4708.58	PARTS/REPAIRS
SD DEPT OF HEALTH	100.00	BLOOD TOXICOLOGY
SERVALL	376.29	RUGS + SUPPLIES
TUCKER STOCKLIN	33.50	MILEAGE
TIMBER LAKE TOPIC	910.40	ELECTION PUBLISHING
TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS	1807.56	PROGRAMMING + MAINTENANCE FEES
WEST RIVER EAGLE	1069.34	ELECTION PUBLISHING AND LEGALS
MISTY WILLIAMS	71.02	MILEAGE
WILLIAMS TRUCKING LLC	27944.45	GRAVEL HAULING

**NEXT MEETING:** The December meeting of the Ziebach County Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 1:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:** As there was no further business before the Board, Comm. Pesicka moved to adjourn at 3:15 PM, seconded by Comm. Bill Henderson, all voted aye, meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Olivia Dosch, Auditor

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Rick Farlee, Chairman

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