## ZIEBACH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## **DECEMBER 30, 2024**

The Ziebach County Commissioners met in special session at 2:00 PM with Shane Farlee, David Pesicka, Rick Farlee, Tucker Stocklin and Bill Henderson present. Chairman R. Farlee called the meeting to order.

**MINUTES:** Comm. Pesicka moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Comm. Henderson, all voted aye, motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was brought to the attention of the commission that Meade County and the SD DOT are working together to obtain a federal grant for the New Underwood Road. This is the first step in the state possibly adding the road onto the state highway system. They are asking everyone who uses this road to send a letter to the DOT explaining how you use the road, and how important it is to you. These letters will be sent to the federal transportation department along with the grant application. Without the support, the application is unlikely to succeed. Letters can be sent to: Steve Gramm, SD DOT, 700 E. Broadway Ave., Pierre, SD 57501. Emails can be sent to: <a href="mailto:steve.gramm@state.sd.us">steve.gramm@state.sd.us</a>
Since the New Underwood Road is beneficial to the residents of Ziebach County, the commission plans on passing a resolution in support of this grant at the January meeting.

**CONTINGENCY TRANSFERS:** Comm. Bill Henderson moved to transfer money from the Contingency Budget to the following budgets: \$4,500 to the Election budget, \$8,000 to the Sheriff's budget, and \$1,000 to the Emergency and Disaster budget., seconded by Comm. S. Farlee, all voted aye, motion carried.

**SNOW BLOWER BIDS:** Bids for the OSH Kosh Snowblower were opened at 2:00 p.m. The county received one bid from Jerome Miller for \$5,001.00. David Pesicka motioned to accept the bid. Seconded by Shane Farlee, all voted aye, motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Shane Farlee moved to go into executive session at 3:01 PM to discuss personnel, seconded by Tucker Stocklin, all voted aye, motion carried. Olivia Dosch, Shane Penefield, and Nan Farlee were also present. The Board came out of executive session at 3:16 PM.

**OPIOD SETTLEMENT MONEY:** The County accepted the National Opioid money in the amount of \$5,534.56. Gary Cudmore plans on using the settlement money to purchase a narcotics analyzer. This scanner will help detect narcotics including fentanyl. It is very accurate and allows you to test without having to be in direct contact with the drugs. This will protect officers from having to risk being exposed to fentanyl. The Sheriff also plans on using it in the schools as well.

**OPERATING TRANSFER:** Comm. Bill Henderson moved to transfer \$339,200.00 as budgeted from the General Fund to the County Road & Bridge Fund, seconded by Comm. S. Farlee, all voted aye, motion carried.

CORONER RETIREMENT: Jim Brooks presented his written letter of retirement as the county Coroner. Comm. Pesicka motioned to accept his letter of retirement. Seconded by Comm. Stocklin, all ayed, motion carried. The commission thanks Jim for his 30 years as the coroner and his willingness to serve our county well. The board will appoint a new Coroner at the January meeting.

**MINER'S SAFETY TRAINING:** The board granted the Highway Department permission to attend the Annual Miner's Safety Training on January 15<sup>th</sup> in Mobridge.

HIGHWAY SUPT. DEPT. REPORT: Jeff Jensen, Highway Superintendent, presented his written report to the board. He updated them on road progress. They discussed potential places to stockpile gravel, as well as gravel hauling. Jeff also informed the commission that the John Deere mower tractors will not be available to lease next year. They discussed options of other companies they could possibly work with to lease mower tractors in 2025.

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

PAYROLL BY DEPARTMENT - Commissioners, 5,787.36 --- Auditor, 8119.74 --- Treasurer,

9,794.74 --- States Attorney, 4,689.49 --- Courthouse, 5,658.33 --- Director of Equalization, 5487.43 ---

Register of Deeds, 8,329.05 ---Veteran's, 843.00 --- Sheriff, 11,208.33 --- CHN/WIC, 6,676.26--- Road &

Bridge, 22,507.96 - Extension, 1,030.85 -- Coroner, 204.42 - Emergency Management, 1,012.82

AGTEGRA ENERGY 1026.64 FUEL
AT&T MOBILITY 221.49 AIR CARDS
GENE BIERMAN 759.53 MV REFUND
BUTLER MACHINERY CO. 3800.78 WINDOW

C & B OPERATIONS, LLC
16319.22 RENTAL OF MOWER TRACTORS
CITY OF DUPREE
376.44 WATER, SEWER, DUMPSTER, BREAK
CONNECTING POINT
1050.25 CONNECT CARE + BACKUPS

RICK FARLEE 32.16 MILEAGE SHANE FARLEE 13.40 MILEAGE

FARMERS UNION OIL CO. 2513.33 FUEL, SUPPLIES, & REPAIRS

GOOSENECK IMPLEMENT 230.34 HYDRAULIC OIL

BILL HENDERSON 8.04 MILEAGE
MARCO 292.91 COPIER LEASE
MCLEOD'S PRINTING 404.92 TIME SHEETS

MELLING & ROSELAND LAW, PC 1613.88 COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY

SERVALL 524.65 RUGS + SUPPLIES TUCKER STOCKLIN 33.50 MILEAGE STURDEVANT'S AV 17.58 SUPPLIES

SUNMASTER AUTO GLASS 655.00 REPLACMENT WINDSHIELDS
TITAN MACHINERY 1091.02 ELECTRIC MOTOR & HYRAULIC PUMP

US POSTAL SERVICE 505.00 STAMPS

WAECKERLE LAW, PROF. LLC 1477.00 COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY FEE

WEGNER AUTO CO. 2428.50 INSURANCE REPAIRS
WEST RIVER EAGLE 1173.03 LEGALS + ADVERTISING
MISTY WILLIAMS 115.84 MILEAGE + PER DIEM
WIND CIRCLE NETWORK INC. 483.83 ANTI-VIRUS

**ADJOURNMENT:** As there was no further business before the Board, Comm. Dave Pesicka moved to adjourn at 3:30 PM, seconded by Comm. Stocklin, all voted aye, motion carried.

ATTEST:		
Olivia Dosch, Auditor	Chairman, Rick Farlee	

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