

**Perkins County Commission  
Regular Meeting**

**Date: May 9, 2023**

**Present: Commissioners Carmichael, Foster, Campbell, Henderson and Finance Officer Stadler**

**Others Present: Roxie Seaman, Vaughn Meyer, Charles Verhulst, Cody Green, Corina Kocer, Kelly Serr**

**Absent: Commissioner Schweitzer**

Call to Order

Chairman Carmichael called the regular May Commission Meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Conflict of Interest

There was no Conflict of Interest to declare.

Approval of the Agenda

Foster moved, Campbell seconded to approve the Agenda as presented, motion carried.

Motion to Rescind

- ✓ Campbell moved, Foster seconded to rescind the following motion on the April 11, 2023 Regular Commissioner Meeting, *Campbell moved, Foster seconded to abate partial taxes for Record #13737 for Patrick Witt*, motion carried.

Minutes

- ✓ Campbell moved, Foster seconded to accept the Minutes of the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Commissioner Meeting as presented with the correction of the above rescinded motion, motion carried.
- ✓ Foster moved, Henderson seconded to approve the Minutes of the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 County Board of Equalization Meeting, motion carried
- ✓ Campbell moved, Henderson seconded to approve the Minutes of the April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 County Board of Equalization Meeting, motion carried.
- ✓ Henderson moved, Foster seconded to approve the Minutes of the April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Special Meeting, motion carried.

Monthly Reports

- ✓ Finance Officer's Account with the Deputy Finance Officer - To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners Perkins County: I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the Deputy Finance Officer of this County as of April 30, 2023, Sara Stadler, Finance Officer, Perkins County. Total amount of deposits in banks \$3,794,773.94. Total amount of actual cash \$200.00; Dakota Plains Federal Credit Union: \$104,420.03; Certificates of Deposit \$400,000.00; Total \$4,299,429.30. The total represents state, county, schools, cities and township funds, which will be transferred to each entity of government after being apportioned.
- ✓ Sheriff's fees in the amount of \$1,024.50 were reviewed.
- ✓ Motor Vehicle fees for the month of April 2023 were reviewed.
- ✓ Register of Deed's fees in the amount of \$6,826.00 were reviewed.
- ✓ Longevity increase of .10/hour will be realized for the following: D. Aukland 5-26.

Correspondence

SDACO – 2019 Benefit Survey Results

USDA – Land Exchange with Hermanns

Statewide Sheriff Wage Study

10:15 a.m. Roxie Seaman – Wind Farms

Roxie Seaman & Vaughn Meyer were present to encourage the Commissioners to implement zoning ordinances within the County to discourage the building of Wind Farms.

10:50 a.m. Jerome Erhart – Amy with Dakota Guardianship was appointed Guardian & Conservator of the person and estate of Jerome Erhart and wished to address with the Commissioners the possible sale of the house owned by Jerome Erhart, Record #13530. Amy reported that Jerome's house was sold at auction for \$12,500 and after paying necessary fees would be able to pay remaining balance of \$8,000 to Perkins County in exchange for all the liens on the property, which equal to \$29,883.72. Foster moved, Henderson seconded to accept the \$8,000 in exchange for the liens due to ongoing medical expenses of Jerome Erhart, motion carried.

11:00 a.m. Budget Requests – Commissioners received the following 2024 Budget Requests

- ✓ Sorum Fire Department
- ✓ Perkins County/Bison Ambulance
- ✓ Perkins County Fair Board

Perkins County Wages – Commissioners discussed the possibility of decreasing positions to be able to provide raises for some current employees.

Black Hills Council Ordinances – Commissioners discussed possibly placing Wind & Solar Ordinances within Perkins County. Commissioners will do more research on what other Counties within the State do. Commissioners are interested in hearing from Black Hills Council of Local Governments for their input and would be interested in a further meeting.

Highway Superintendent

- ✓ Highway Superintendent Green presented the Monthly Project and Maintenance Report for the month of April. Green reported that the 2006 John Deere has seals that went out of the tandems and is currently in Rapid City getting repaired. One of the Cat Graders has a header out. The 2018 pickup that Superintendent Green drives had the transmission go out on it. Green also reported blading of roads started on April 17<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ Airport Rd was discussed. Some of the road is broken up and getting worse. Green will look into this further and discuss with the City of Lemmon on possibilities.
- ✓ Resignation – Isaac Jones – terminated employment with the County on April 20<sup>th</sup> to work for the City of Faith.
- ✓ Bridge Inspection – Foster moved, Campbell seconded to pay Brosz Engineering for the 20% share on the Bridge Inspection Work Order and authorize Cody Green as the signatory, motion carried.
- ✓ Foreman Position – Henderson moved, Foster seconded to give newly appointed Foreman Bailey Escott an hourly wage of \$19.99 effective May 1, 2023, motion carried.
- ✓ County Shop Power Quote – Superintendent Green received a quote from James Sandgren to diagnose and repair and reduce the number of meters at the shop by 1.
- ✓ Gooseneck Implement Quote – Superintendent Green stated that the 2003 7220 has solenoids out again and received a quote from Gooseneck Implement to trade ours in for a trade in value of \$40,000 with the mower attachment and lease a new one for 3 years at \$4,800 per year. At the end of those 3 years we would have the option to buy it at \$64,975.
- ✓ CDL Policy – Superintendent Green would like to implement a CDL Policy for new hires. He will work with the States Attorney to draft one.

Executive Session

Carmichael moved, Foster seconded to declare Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) for personnel at 1:14 p.m, motion carried. Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting out of Executive Session at 1:50 p.m.

Corina Kocer – DOE Performance Review

Director of Equalization Kocer wanted to give the Commissioners an opportunity to discuss her performance as the Director of Equalization at per SDCL 10-3-14.

Weed & Pest Board

Loyson Carda would like to be reimbursed for his cell phone. Foster moved, Campbell seconded to reimburse Loyson Carda \$30.00 per month for cell phone usage, motion carried.

Finance Office

- ✓ Alcohol License Application – Wirehair – Henderson moved, Foster seconded to renew the Retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine for Wirehair Inc, motion carried.
- ✓ Holiday Pay – Foster moved, Henderson seconded to implement and update the handbook to state “employees who work less than 40 hours a week will receive pro-rated holiday, vacation, sick leave based on hours worked”, motion carried.
- ✓ Reid Kopren – Abate Predator 2022 pay 2023 – Foster moved, Campbell seconded to abate Reid Kopren’s 2022 pay 2023 predator bill due to clerical error, motion carried.

Executive Session

Carmichael moved, Foster seconded to declare Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) for personnel at 2:16 p.m, motion carried. Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting out of Executive Session at 2:24 p.m.

Claims

The following claims were presented and approved for payment, April payroll: 86,553.63; IRS, FICA, 8,489.75; SD Retirement, 6,264.87; Delta Dental, ins, 1,189.50; Medico Life, ins, 128.56; Wellmark, ins, 20,533.43; SDPEF, ins, 87.00; HRA, reimbursements, 15,059.69; A&B, maint, 49.40; American Sol, supplies, 74.77; Auto Value, supplies, 48.95; Avera, prof. fees, 224.00; Berge’s Mach, repairs, 1,590.00; Bison Courier, publishing, 423.19; Bison Grain, supplies/labor, 26,085.76; Bison Imp, supplies, 1,062.99; BH Pioneer, publishing, 78.00; Black Strap, supplies, 2,741.83; Boss Cowman, subsidy, 1,000.00; Brosz Eng, prof. fees, 8,625.00; Buer Blading, secondary roads, 3,876.00; Butler Mach, repairs, 4,029.90; Capital I, equip, 112.80; Chapman’s Elec, maint, 7,611.25; CNA Surety, ins, 243.00; Corson Co, travel, 90.85; County Drug, med. fees, 75.60; Current Conn, supplies, repairs/maint, 1,824.22; Dakota Feed, chem, 25,557.00; Dakota Herald, publishing, 527.11; EMC, ins, 1,547.00; ES&S, maint, 1,842.75; Evanson & Jensen, ind. burial, 1,860.00; FirstNet, utilities, 283.52; G&O paper, supplies, 403.60; Governors Inn, travel, 77.00; Grand El, utilities, 1,847.43; Grimms pump, supplies, 210.96; John Deere, repair, 2,061.97; John’s Repair, maint, 126.45; KBJM, advertising, 72.00; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 32.70; Lemmon EMT, travel, 1,258.65; Lemmon IGA, supplies, 7.85; Lodge at Deadwood, travel, 252.00; Lodgepole propane, 2,448.44; Matheson Tri-gas, supplies, 85.98; Meade Co, jail board, 3,840.00; Melling & Roseland Law, crt. appt atty, 385.32; Newman Signs, supplies, 447.25; Penfield, rent, 400.00; Pennington Co, jail board, 226.00; Perkins Co. Fair Board, subsidy, 16,500.00; Pomp’s tire, supplies, 3,490.13; Qualified presort, prof. serv, 1,897.65; Ramkota Hotel, travel, 348.00; RDO, repair, 417.54; Redwood Toxicology, supplies, 99.75; Runnings, supplies, 622.48; SD Dev. Center, subsidy, 120.00; SD Human Services Center, MH board, 591.90; SD Pub. Health, subsidy, 70.00; SDAAO, dues/reg, 585.00; SDACC, dues/reg, 200.00; Stadler, travel, 50.30; State Animal, pred. damage, 5,017.69; Stateline, supplies, 61.44; Stevens, supplies, 50.00; Stockert, contractual serv, 500.00; TK Diesel, repair, 50.00; Town of Bison, utilities, 268.20; Tri-County Cons. Dist, subsidy, 2,850.00; Vanvector, repairs, 1,082.40; Verizon, utilities, 280.34; Visa FO, supplies/utilities, 1,678.85; West Group, books, 382.48; West Plains, repairs, 40.88; WR Vet, prof. fees, 376.00; WRCTC, utilities, 1,323.67.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Perkins County Commission will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Three Rivers Mental Health Conference Room in Lemmon, SD.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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 Sara Stadler, Finance Officer

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 Kyle Carmichael, Chairman