

**Perkins County Commission
Regular Meeting**

Date: June 9, 2022

Present: Commissioners Carmichael, Foster, Campbell, Schweitzer and Henderson, and Finance Officer Chapman.

Others Present: Sara Stadler, Shane Penfield, Cody Green, Kelly Serr, Lester Longwood, Sharon Longwood, Shauna Kopren, Dantae Anderson, Beth Hulm, press.

Call to Order

Chairman Carmichael called the regular June meeting to order at 10:00 am on Thursday, June 9, 2022.

Flag Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Conflict of Interest

There was no conflict of Interest declared.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Approval of the Minutes

Schweitzer moved, Foster seconded to approve the Minutes with the addition of the May Monthly Report to the May 10, 2022, Regular Meeting, motion carried.

May Monthly Report

- *Finance Officer's Account with the Deputy Finance Officers – to the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Perkins County: I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hand of the Deputy Finance Officers of this County as of April 30, 2022, Sylvia Chapman Finance Officer, Perkins County. Total deposits in Dacotah Bank \$4,084,589.03, Total amount of actual cash \$200.00, Dakota Plains Federal Credit Union \$103,976.76, Certificates of Deposits \$400,000.00, Total \$4,588,765.79. The total amount represents state, county, schools, cities, and township funds to be transferred to various entities of government after being apportioned.*
- *Register of Deed's fees in the amount of \$6,537.50 were reviewed.*
- *Sheriff's Fees in the amount of \$120.00 were reviewed.*
- *A longevity increase of 10¢ per hour will be realized by: D Aukland 5-26.*

Monthly Report

- *Finance Officer's Account with the Deputy Finance Officers – to the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Perkins County: I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hand of the Deputy Finance Officers of this County as of May 31, 2022, Sylvia Chapman Finance Officer, Perkins County. Total deposits in Dacotah Bank \$3,015,074.63, Total amount of actual cash \$200.00, Dakota Plains Federal Credit Union \$104,015.20, Certificates of Deposits \$400,000.00, Total \$3,519,289.83. The total amount represents state, county, schools, cities, and township funds to be transferred to various entities of government after being apportioned.*
- *Register of Deed's fees in the amount of \$5,169.50 were reviewed.*
- *Sheriff's Fees in the amount of \$33.78 were reviewed.*
- *A longevity increase of 10¢ per hour will be realized by: G. Karels 6-1, W. Johnson 6-1, K. Helms 6-18.*

Highway Report

- Superintendent Green reported that spring blading and ridge mulching are almost complete. Gravel crushing and grinding on the Prairie City Road is nearing completion. Green plans to replace some culverts and patch some asphalt roads. Discussion was held on the rebuild of a secondary road in Viking Township, which will be put on hold for a while.

- Foster moved, Henderson seconded to piggyback off Corson County's Gravel Crushing bid for Athboy Road, motion carried. Bid can be found on file at the Perkins County Finance Office.
- Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to crush 20,000 ton of gravel for Athboy Road, motion carried.
- Chris Grimes submitted resignation effective June 16, 2022. Schweitzer moved, Henderson seconded to retroactively decrease Grimes' wages by \$.50 per hour effective 5-10, motion carried. Foster moved, Campbell seconded to accept Grimes' resignation, motion carried.
- Superintendent Green would like to offer the Highway Foreman position to Otis Funk. Campbell moved, Foster seconded to make Otis Funk the Highway Foreman with a starting wage of \$19.43 per hour, effective 6-9, motion carried.
- Michael Stein was hired temporarily at a wage of \$18.67 per hour.

Executive Session

Henderson moved, Foster seconded to go into Executive Session at 10:33 am, motion carried. Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting back in Regular Session at 10:44 am.

Lester Longwood

Lester Longwood was present to discuss the current road conditions. He has concerns on neglected roads and is now seeing permanent damage. He feels the gravel is good, but no reshaping of roads is being done.

Road & Bridge Levy

Extensive discussion was had on implementing a road and bridge levy. Schweitzer moved, Foster seconded to schedule a Special Meeting to gather the public's opinion on county road maintenance on Monday, June 20th at 7:00 pm at the Perkins County Courtroom in Bison, motion carried.

Budget

- Shauna Kopren was present on behalf of the Perkins County Conservation District to request a \$25,000 subsidy for the 2023 fiscal year.
- Dantae Anderson was present on behalf of the Lemmon Jr. Livestock to request a \$3,000 subsidy for the 2023 fiscal year.
- Written requests have been received by the following:
 - Tri-County Conservation District - \$2,850
 - Prairie Hills Transit - \$8,000
 - Meadow Fire Department - \$4,500
 - Sorum Fire Department - \$4,000
 - Communities Against Violence & Abuse - \$2,000
 - Dakota Prairie Helping Hands - \$1,500
 - Bison Economic Development - \$5,000

Grant – Sidewalks in Lemmon

Discussion was had on the SDDOT grant.

Canvas of 2022 Primary Election

The Canvas of the 2022 Primary Election was conducted. The Certificate of Election for the 2022 Primary Election was signed by the Commissioners and attested by the Finance Officer.

Finance Officer

- Schweitzer moved, Foster seconded to authorize Chairman Carmichael as the signatory on the SDML Worker's Compensation Intergovernmental Contract, motion carried.
- Discussion was had on closure of the courthouse due to inclement weather - no action taken.
- Discussion was had on the Welfare Resolution for SDACC - no action taken.
- Discussion was held on correspondence received from the State of South Dakota regarding the possibility of joining the State health insurance pool. The Finance Office will bring additional information back at the next meeting.
- Discussion was held on mowing the Perkins County Fairgrounds.

- Deputy Finance Officer Stadler would like permission to call on Finance Officer Chapman for assistance in the future. Foster moved, Campbell seconded to approve Finance Officer Chapman being paid at her current hourly wage for work performed after June 30th, motion carried.

Sheriff Serr- Bulletproof Vest Grant

Sheriff Serr was present to request permission from the Commissioners to apply for a HLS Bulletproof Vest Grant which awards 50% replacement cost for the purchase of bulletproof vests. Henderson moved, Campbell seconded to allow Sheriff Serr to apply for the Bulletproof Vest Grant, motion carried.

Claims

The following claims were presented and approved for payment, May payroll: 80,929.31; IRS, FICA, 7,925.51; SD Retirement, 6,369.05; Delta Dental insurance, 1,306.20; Medico Life, insurance, 114.02; Wellmark, insurance, 21,226.13; SDPEF, Insurance, 96.00; HRA Reimbursements, 673.77; A&B Copier maint, 44.91; AT&T, fees, 3.24; Beckman Mem Church, rent, 50.00; BH Psychology, MH, 450.00; Bison Courier, publishing, 1,145.44; Bison food, supplies, 84.77; Bison grain, equip/supplies, 69,945.69; Bison Imp, equip/supp, 1,504.65; Bison School, supplies, 18.00; Buffalo Hardware, supplies, 104.68; Butler machinery, equip, 62,220.46; L Carda, mileage, 75.60; Current Connection, supplies, 2,059.84; Dakota Feed, services, 252.00; Dakota Herald, publishing, 1,818.63; Election systems, supplies, 1,008.51; G&O paper, supplies, 286.75; M Giesler, travel reimb, 180.00; Grand, utilities, 1,424.73; Harvey's Lock, maint, 851.00; Indian Creek, rent, 75.00; Jenner Equip, repair/labor, 18,696.52; John Deere, equip/supplies, 771.78; John's repair, maint, 210.80; G Karels, travel reimb, 80.00; Kiesler, supplies, 139.80; Lemmon EMT, travel, 505.71; Lodgepole Hall, rent, 50.00; Matheson Tri-Gas, equip/supplies, 46.58; Meade Co, Jail Board, 1,360.00; Melling & Roseland Law, Crt Appt Atty, 5,122.92; My Place Hotel, travel, 77.00; NW Farm, supplies, 280.64; S Penfield, Rent ,400.00; Penn. Co. Jail, Trans, 184.44; Pomps tire, equip/supplies, 1,113.90; Prairie Home Church, rent, 50.00; Print shop, supplies, 582.00; Ravellette Pub, publishing, 120.50; Road Groom, equip/supplies, 645.00; Runnings, suppl, 645.00; SD Del Ctr, MH, 60.00; SD HSC, MH, 611.63; SD Health Lab, fees, 125.00; GF&P, Pred. animal, 5,017.69; Servall, service, 167.09; Tennant's, repair/labor, 103.00; Theo's Bakery, supplies, 20.00; Town of Bison, utilities, 239.28; USPS, rent, 432.00; Visa, supplies, 741.84; West Group, SA books, 371.34; WRCTC, utilities, 1,344.90; Primary Election Salaries, 6,200.00; Primary Election Travel, 762.60.

Adjournment

Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting adjourned at 1:31 pm. The next regular meeting of the Perkins County Commission will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 10:00 am at the Perkins County Courthouse.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sylvia Chapman, Finance Officer

Kyle Carmichael, Chairman