

**Perkins County Commission
Regular Meeting**

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017

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

Others Present: Shane Penfield, Duane Holtgard, Kelly Serr, Ali DeMersseman, Julie Peterson, Patti Benson, Jill Olson, David Peterson, Dave Johnson, Lyndsey Wheeler, Jack Anderson, Koreen Anderson, Garrett Schweitzer, Jim Lorenz, Harlan Hess and Ryan Kohn

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Perkins County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Foster at 10:00 a.m. at the Dakota Lodge in Lemmon, SD.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Approval of the Agenda

Carmichael moved, Schweitzer seconded to approve the agenda as presented, motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

Schweitzer moved, Henderson seconded to approve the minutes of the May 9th Commissioner 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 May 31, 2017, Sylvia Chapman, Finance Officer, Perkins County. Total amount of deposits in banks \$7,693.75, Total amount of actual cash \$200.00; Insured Money Market \$2,555,617.57; Dakota Plains Federal Credit Union membership fee \$10.04; Certificates of Deposit \$500,517.58; Total \$3,064,038.94. The total represents state, county, schools, cities and township funds, which will be transferred to each entity of government after being apportioned.
- ✓ Motor Vehicle fees for the month of May 2017 were reviewed.
- ✓ Register of Deed's fees in the amount of \$3,705.00 were reviewed.
- ✓ Sheriff's Fees in the amount of \$1,582.12 were reviewed.
- ✓ Longevity increase of .10/hour will be realized for the following employees: Wm Johnson 6-1-17; G Karels 6-1-17.

Township Bond Approval

Schweitzer moved, Hopfinger seconded to approve the following township bonds: Foster Treasurer; Glendo Treasurer; Fredlund Clerk and Treasurer, motion carried.

Liquor Licenses

- ✓ Schweitzer moved, Hopfinger seconded to approve the 2-day Special Event License Application for the Lemmon Concert Committee for July 6-7, 2017, motion carried.
- ✓ Hopfinger moved, Schweitzer seconded to approve the renewal of the Package (off-sale) Malt Beverage License #PB-23078 for Smoky's Bar & Grill, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Holtgard

- ✓ The monthly Highway Project & Maintenance Report was reviewed with the Commission. With the recent rain, the crew is out blading roads. They have been working on maintaining culverts and doing some mowing because of the deer population.
- ✓ The bridge inspection has been completed and Holtgard will be presenting a report soon.
- ✓ Superintendent Holtgard presented the Gravel Royalty Agreements and requested the agreements be approved by the Commission. Carmichael moved, Hopfinger seconded to

approve gravel royalty agreements for .80/ton for Lester Longwood and Vaughn Meyer and authorize Chairman Foster as signatory on the agreement, motion carried.

- ✓ The fuel pump at the shop has been having issues. Holtgard has been in contact with Grimes Pump to see what is available. He will return to the board with more information.
- ✓ Holtgard would like to order two additional pickups off the State. He would like to purchase two pickups off state bid. Hopfinger moved, Henderson seconded to allow Holtgard to purchase a 2017 Dodge Ram 2500 Class CL Truck ¾ ton 4X4 Regular Cab Long Box pickup contract #16998 at the state bid price of \$26,429 and a 2017 Dodge Ram 2500 Class CL Truck ¾ ton 4X4 Crew Cab Short Box pickup at the state bid price of \$28,831, motion carried.

Ali DeMersseman

Ali DeMersseman was present on behalf of Black Hills Council of Local Governments. She shared current projects being worked on by the Council. There is a new pilot program (BBB, Bulldoze, Build and Beautify) to encourage cleanup and rebuilding. Hazardous Mitigation will also have a new round of funding.

Resignation

Ida Sander has submitted her resignation from the Perkins County 4-H Promotion and Expansion Board. Henderson moved, Hopfinger seconded to accept the resignation of Ida Sander from the Perkins County 4-H Promotion and Expansion Board, motion carried.

WIC Contract

Schweitzer moved, Hopfinger seconded to approve the 2017-2018 WIC Contract and to authorize Rusty Foster as signatory on the agreement, motion carried.

Community Health Nurse

Patty Benson, Perkins County Community Health Nurse and Jill Olson, administrative assistant, were present to give the Commission an activities report. They will have a more extensive report after the end of June.

Tax Abatement & Refund

An application for abatement of the 2016 pay 2017 taxes and the refund of the 2013 pay 2014, 2014 pay 2015 and 2015 pay 2016 taxes on NE less 64.2 Acres S10-T17-R14 and WSE, SESE less 47.810 ac S4-T17-R14 was received from Dale & Arla Kopren and Reid & Tarina Kopren. There has been an error in the assessed value as acres in these two parcels were split off and sold in 1997 but did not come off the acre count towards the assessed value. By law, four years of tax abatement/refund may be requested. The total amount of the request is \$143.85. Henderson moved, Hopfinger seconded to approve the abatement/refund from Dale & Arla Kopren and Reid and Tarina Kopren on NE less 64.2 Acres S10-T17-R14 and WSE, SESE less 47.810 ac S4-T17-R14 in the amount of \$143.85, motion carried.

Resolution 2017-04 Drought Disaster Resolution

Discussion was held on passing a drought resolution. Carmichael moved, Henderson seconded to introduce and approve Resolution 2017-04 Drought Resolution, roll call vote: Henderson aye, Hopfinger aye, Schweitzer aye, Carmichael aye, Foster aye, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2017-04

Drought Disaster Resolution

WHEREAS, Perkins County is suffering from severe drought conditions due to significantly low moisture, late frost conditions, extreme heat, strong winds, and wildland fire conditions that have increased to an extreme condition, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Perkins County Commissioners resolve that said conditions constitute a disaster of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of the County, or even the State of South Dakota, and that Federal assistance is necessary, and there are few emergency plans available to alleviate the damage and economic stress resulting from these drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, Perkins County does not have the financial resources to respond to this disaster, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Perkins County Commissioners is aware of the sparse pastures and lack of forage crops for the feeding of livestock and wildlife, and because of this situation, conditions have arisen that may necessitate the reduction or dispersal of livestock herds and depletion of wildlife, and

WHEREAS, stock dams, creeks and other water sources are drying up and are unable to provide the necessary water for livestock, wildlife and firefighting resources, and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Perkins County is aware that fall and spring planted agricultural crops are incurring drought damage,

WHEREAS, numerous other acres of South Dakota and surrounding states are also experiencing drought conditions which has threatened the availability of alternate sources of hay and forage,

WHEREAS, the farming, livestock, and wildlife industry is important to Perkins County, the State of South Dakota, and the nation's economy and should be preserved,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Perkins County requests the SD Drought Task Force to consider these issues and declare a drought emergency that could make funding and resources available for farming and livestock programs as well as provide emergency resources for wildland fire protection that accompany this drought situation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Perkins County Board of Commissioners declares an emergency and a disaster and requests that the Governor of the State of South Dakota also declare an emergency and disaster for Perkins County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioner of Perkins County respectfully petition the Governor of the State of South Dakota and the President of the United States to provide with all dispatch any remedies and state and/or federal assistance available for this type of emergency.

Sheriff Kelly Serr

- ✓ Sheriff Kelly Serr presented the Commission with a proposed Memorandum of Understanding between Meade County and Perkins County, that would be executed by their respective Sheriffs. The MOU recognizes the cooperation between the counties on emergency dispatch services, and provides for an additional compensation to Meade County in the amount of \$2,400.00 per year. Schweitzer moved, Hopfinger seconded to recognize the MOU with Meade County and make payments from the 911 fund, motion carried.
- ✓ Sheriff Serr will be losing an officer soon and he would like to have permission to hire a part-time officer. Henderson moved, Carmichael seconded to authorize Sheriff Serr to hire Kirby Chapman as a part-time officer at the base wage of \$17.83 per hour, motion carried.
- ✓ Civil Disobedience – EM Director Kelly Serr discussed with the Commission that an additional annex will be added to the Perkins County Local Emergency Planning Guide. It is regarding civil disobedience. This new annex will require future planning and discussion

Budget

- ✓ Julie Peterson was present on behalf of Live, Inc to request \$4,000. The 2017 allocation was \$1,500.
- ✓ David Peterson was present on behalf of Arrow Public Transit to request a subsidy of \$8,000 for 2018. The state and federal funding has diminished somewhat therefore they are requesting additional dollars. The 2017 allocation was \$6,000. They are working with Veteran's Services to combine transportation services.
- ✓ Harlan Hess and Ryan Kohn were present representing Lemmon Fire Department to request \$27,500 for 2018. The 2017 allocation was \$22,000. The Lemmon Fire Department has many extra services besides fire suppression including grain bin rescue and having ten certified dive rescue divers.
- ✓ Koreen Anderson was present on behalf of the Lemmon Fair Grounds Association. They requested an allocation of \$2,000. The grandstand has been paid off, but the committee

continues to expand and improve the grandstands and rodeo grounds including moving the concessions and improving the office with upgrades.

- ✓ Koreen Anderson also spoke on the Lemmon Junior Livestock Show. Their request was for \$3000.
- ✓ Jim Lorenz was present on behalf of the Lemmon Senior Citizens requesting \$2,000. The 2016 allocation was \$1,500.
- ✓ Lemmon Area Charitable and Economic Development was represented by Dave Johnson, Garrett Schweitzer, Jack Anderson and Julie Wheeler. Their request for 2018 is for \$30,000. The 2017 allocation was \$25,000.

Claims

The following claims were presented and approved for payment, May payroll: 91,938.67; IRS, fica, 7,473.82; SD Retirement, retirement, 5,758.04; Delta Dental, insurance, 1,387.86; Medico Life, insurance, 137.52; Wellmark, insurance, 21,773.75; SDPEF, insurance, 99.00; HRA Reimbursements, 4,551.95; A&B Business, supplies, 365.00; Bison Courier, publishing, 144.11; Bison Food Store, supplies, 65.79; Bison Grain, fuel, 14,460.00; Bison Implement, supplies/repairs, 399.88; Black Strap, Inc, supplies, 4,205.08; Bob Barker Co, supplies, 239.31; Boom Concrete, supplies, 90.00; Boss Cowman Rodeo, subsidy, 2,000.00; Brock White Co, supplies, 2,745.36; Butler Machinery, repairs, 2,987.92; Loyson Carda, spraying, 1,170.00; Chapman's Electronics, repairs, 2,064.45; Delores Colgrove, flags, 34.00; Corson County, travel, 39.67; Current Connection, supplies/equipment, 3,445.88; Dakota Auto Parts, maintenance, 27.48; Dakota Farm Equipment, repairs, 36.30; Dakota Feed & Seed, chemical/supplies, 9,154.75; Dakota Herald, publishing, 113.67; Days Inn-Brookings, travel, 522.00; City of Mobridge, phone sur-charge, 8,510.75; Corina Erickson, travel, 107.00; Evanson Jensen Funeral Home, burial, 1,525.00; G&O Paper & Supplies, supplies, 427.40; Grand Electric, utilities/maintenance, 1,922.81; Hamand Tire, maintenance, 107.00; Horizon Health Care, prof fees, 215.00; John Deere Financial, repairs, 473.15; John's Repair, maintenance, 83.13; Johnson Controls Inc, contractual services, 10,358.92; J Kruger, travel, 439.64; Language Line Services, prof fees, 50.00; Lemmon EMT Assn, travel, 557.78; Lemmon IGA, supplies, 24.15; Lemmon Jr Livestock Show, subsidy, 3,000.00; Lodge at Deadwood, travel, 360.00; Lodgepole Fire Department, subsidy, 5,000.00; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc, supplies, 31.11; McLeod's Printing, supplies, 626.88; MD Spraying Service, prof services, 300.00; Meade County, phone sur-charge, 170.63; Meade County, jail board, 1,300.00; R Miller, travel, 32.00; NAPA Auto, repairs, 56.28; Newman Signs, supplies, 54.42; NW Farm & Home, supplies, 179.25; S Penfield, rent, 400.00; Perkins Co Conservation District, rental, 25.00; Pharmchem, testing, 100.00; Postoffice, box rent, 372.00; Ramkota Hotel, travel, 399.96; Redwood Toxicology Lab, supplies, 93.50; Runnings, supplies, 290.67; RZ Motors, maintenance, 2,520.57; SBM, maintenance, 25.81; SD Sheriff's Assn, registration, 85.00; Servall, supplies, 99.08; Sheehan Mack, repairs, 3,335.24; Sirchie Finger Print Labs, supplies, 79.70; Roger Sonn, chemical rebate, 1,116.00; Stateline Designs, supplies, 109.70; David Stockert, contractual services, 400.00; SW Grain, fuel, 16,083.00; Three Rivers MH, rent, 900.00; Town of Bison, utilities, 199.41; Mel Utter, contractual services, 315.00; J VanVector, contractual services, 225.00; Verizon, maintenance, 240.06; VISA, travel/supplies, 195.93; West Group, law books, 882.75; WR Telephone, utilities, 1,522.19.

Adjournment

Hopfinger moved, Carmichael seconded to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Perkins County Commission will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Perkins County Courthouse.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sylvia Chapman, Finance Officer

Rusty Foster, Chairman