

**Perkins County Commission
Regular Meeting**

Date: February 13, 2024

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

Others Present: Cody Green, Shane Penfield, Roxie Seaman, Brenda Kari, Todd Lutters, Carrie Fisher, Beth Hulm, press

Call to Order

Chairman Carmichael called the Regular Commissioner Meeting to order at 10:00 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, Henderson seconded to approve the Agenda, motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

Henderson moved, Foster seconded to approve the Minutes for the Jan 2, 2024 Regular meeting and the Jan 23, 2024 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 January 31, 2024, Sara Stadler, Finance Officer, Perkins County. Total amount of deposits in banks \$2,419,387.25, Total amount of actual cash \$200.00; Dakota Plains Federal Credit Union: \$106,215.52; Certificates of Deposit \$402,626.68; Total \$2,928,429.45. The total represents state, county, schools, cities and township funds, which will be transferred to each entity of government after being apportioned. Finance Officer Stadler also informed the Commissioners that the original Fund Balance Report for last month was slightly off due to Spreading the Interest incorrectly. The error was \$6,136.52, which affected the General Fund. Legislative Audit expressed letting the Commissioners know.
- Sheriff's Fees in the amount of \$535.52 were reviewed.
- Motor Vehicle fees for the month of January 2024 were reviewed.
- Register of Deed's fees in the amount of \$3,558.50 were reviewed.
- Longevity increase of .10/hour will be realized for the following: H. Stevens 2-6, C. Green 2-24.

Correspondence - Received from CHN/WIC office, Shawnda Carmichael with the Lemmon School - PILT, PCS Technologies, and Risty Benefits.

SB201 – Resolution 2024-03 for Local Control

Roxie Seaman was present on behalf of Rebecca Paul to discuss SB201 with the Commissioners. Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to sign Resolution 2024-03, "Resolution for Local Control," Roll Call: Henderson aye, Campbell aye, Foster aye, Schweitzer aye, Carmichael aye, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-03
Resolution for Local Control**

WHEREAS, Local control of government functions is a key principle of the United States of America and the State of South Dakota, and

WHEREAS, South Dakota has a long history of allowing counties, municipalities, and townships to adopt local zoning ordinances that benefit local jurisdictions and the citizens they serve, and

WHEREAS, Legislation limiting the ability of local governments to evaluate and regulate compatible land use would by extension interfere with the opportunity for local citizens to have a voice in local planning and zoning matters, and

WHEREAS, the board of Perkins County Commissioners continues to support counties, municipalities and townships having authority to adopt appropriate regulations for each unique jurisdiction, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of Perkins County state for the record that it opposes any legislation that limits or eliminates the local control of counties, municipalities, and townships in matters related to and including planning and zoning, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body believes in earnest that the State's motto, "Under God the People Rule" stands steady against the current belief by some that government is a "top down" system. Instead, it specifies the voice of the people, not their representative's rule, especially when coupled with Abraham Lincoln's famous words from the Gettysburg Address, which, in part, says, "... and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth".

Highway Department

Superintendent Green presented the Commissioners with his Monthly Report for the month of January. He reported on continuing with maintenance and repairs and is currently working on signage and tree trimming. Superintendent Green wanted to let Commissioners know that Spring Load Limits will be in force March 4th thru May 2nd.

- 2024 Equipment Rates – Superintendent Green would like to increase the 2024 equipment rates by 5%. Schweitzer moved, Foster seconded to set equipment rates with an increase of 5% as noted below, motion carried.
 - Machines - Patrols \$227.96/hour, Patrols w/snowplows \$273.00/hour
 - Loaders RTL19, RTL84, RTL95 \$306.86/hour
 - Loaders TL07 \$254.26/hour
 - Snow Blowers -SB97 \$273.00, Bobcat Blower \$136.50/hour
 - Ridge Mulchers – RM02, RM04, SM23, SM23A, DM18 - \$181.55/hour
 - Trucks -T14, T14A, T03A, T07A - \$181.55/hour
 - Trucks with Snowplow - \$218.40/hour
 - Trucks -T99, T02, T03, T14, T14A - \$181.55/hour
 - Trucks with Trailers - \$273.00/hour
 - Gravel Trailers – \$91.46/hour
 - Mowing Tractors - \$181.55/hour
 - Pickups - \$122.85/hour
 - Flatbed Trailer FB07 – \$109.20/hour
 - Lowboy Trailer LB95 - \$109.20/hour
 - Air Compressor - \$54.60/hour
 - Miller Welder – \$69.62/hour
 - Honda Water Pump - \$27.30/hour
 - Astrolight Machine - \$303.03/hour
 - 2011 Tanker - \$95.55/hour
 - Sand Spreaders -SS12 (T03A), SS97 (T14A), SS24 (T14) -\$55.65/hour

Set Gravel Rates – Superintendent Green would like to leave the rates the same for 2024: Gravel \$6.00/Ton, Gravel to Private Individuals \$6.30/Ton, Chips \$12.00/Ton, Sand at \$6.00/Ton. Foster moved, Campbell seconded to leave at Superintendent Green's discretion, motion carried.

2024 Skidsteer - Foster moved, Henderson seconded to rescind the motion from the January 23, 2024 meeting to purchase the 2024 Kubota from Lindskov Implement with 74-inch bucket (with orange protection program) and trade in the 2007 Bobcat for \$18,000, at a total cost of \$54,319.87, motion carried. Foster moved, Campbell seconded to purchase the Kubota (SVL75-3HWC) from Butte County Implement through the state Sourcewell Contract, at a purchase price of \$52,842.93, which includes Base Price of

\$79,754.00, SVL75-3 Optional CCV Heater Kit for \$140.00, 1 hose stay for SSV/SVL Models for \$108.00, 1 SVL-3 AUX Coupler Guard for \$458.00, 1 74" Heavy Duty, low profile, long floor, cutting edge, side cutter for \$2,604.00, 1 SVL75-3 Telematics Harness for \$55.00, 1 AT&T Telematics Modem for \$449.00, Sourcewell discount -\$20,056.32, 2 year extended warranty for \$2,200.00, freight cost \$831.25, PDI for \$400.00, Block Heater for \$250.00, V0531-97100 for \$950.00, Trade in Bobcat T300 for -\$15,300.00 motion carried.

Joint Power & Funding Agreement – Bridge 53-281-151 – Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to rescind the motion made on 12-12-2023 for Joint Powers & Funding Agreement for Bridge Replacement between SD Dept. of Transportation and Perkins County, motion carried. Foster moved, Campbell seconded to authorize Chairman Carmichael as the signatory on the updated Joint Powers & Funding Agreement for Bridge Replacement dated 1-2024, motion carried.

2024 Bridge Inspection Resolution – Superintendent Green presented 2 different resolutions for the Commissioners to look at. Commissioners would like Superintendent Green to research other engineering firms to see if we could bring in cheaper quotes or other options. Superintendent Green researched during the rest of the meeting. Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded, to sign Resolution 2024-05 “Bridge Reinspection Program Resolution for Use with SDDOT Retainer Contracts”, Roll Call: Campbell aye, Schweitzer aye, Henderson aye, Foster aye, Carmichael aye, motion carried.

Resolution 2024-05
Bridge Reinspection Program Resolution for Use with SDDOT Retainer
Contracts

Whereas, 23 CFR 650 Subpart C, requires initial inspection of all bridges and reinspection at intervals not to exceed two years with the exception of reinforced concrete box culverts that meet specific criteria. These culverts are reinspected at intervals not to exceed four years.

Therefore: Perkins County is desirous of participating in the Bridge Inspection Program.

The County requests SDDOT to hire Brosz Engineering, Inc. for the inspection work. SDDOT will secure federal approvals, make payments to the Consulting Engineer for inspection services rendered, and bill the County for 20% of the cost. The County will be responsible for the required 20% matching funds.

Fuel Pumps –The diesel pump is still not working consistently at the shop. Schweitzer moved, Campbell seconded to replace the diesel fuel pump at a cost of \$12,496.00, which includes 2 - under pump plumbing kits (\$100.00), 1 - new wayme select gallons only single product/single hose, heater, pulse output suction pump green doors (diesel \$7,260.00), freight (\$200.00), installation, labor, milage, subsistence drivetime, shop supplies (\$4,936.00), motion carried.

Surplus Equipment – Henderson moved, Campbell seconded to surplus the Monroe Sander, Model: MCV-144-84-56.M, Serial: 14-05-7186, and 2000 Ford F-250, VIN: 1FTNF21LOYEB39018, motion carried. Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to have Chairman Carmichael appoint 3 real property owners and to advertise the surplus property twice, motion carried.

Surplus Office Printer – Foster moved, Campbell seconded to surplus the Brother Model # MFC-L8900CDW as 3 real property owners found it to have no value, motion carried.

Discussion was had regarding sign on bonuses

Resolution 2024-04

Schweitzer moved, Campbell seconded to adopt the Wildland Fire Resolution 2024-04, Roll Call: Schweitzer aye, Foster aye, Campbell aye, Carmichael aye, motion carried. Commissioner Henderson was not present for the Roll Call vote.

**Resolution 2024-04
Wildland Fire Resolution**

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Wildland Fire Coordinator is authorized to assist in fighting range fires through the State, and

WHEREAS, a county must formally request his assistance pursuant to SDCL 41-20-8.1;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Perkins County Commissioners do hereby designate the following persons with the authority to request assistance from the State Wildland Fire Coordinator in fighting range fires:

Douglas Jerde, Wade Henderson, Arlen Hatle, Joshua Beckman, Allen Palmer, and Brent Dirk.

Appoint Weed Supervisor and Set Wage

Foster moved, Campbell seconded to appoint Brenda Kari as the Noxious Weed Supervisor at \$600.00 per month effective 3-1-2024, motion carried.

DOE Resignation

Foster moved, Henderson seconded to accept the resignation of Todd Lutters as Interim Director of Equalization effective 2-29-2024, motion carried.

Executive Session

Carmichael moved, Foster seconded to declare Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel at 11:53 a.m, motion carried. Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting out of Executive Session at 1:20 p.m.

DOE Appointments

Henderson moved, Foster seconded to appoint Brenda Kari as the Interim Deputy Director of Equalization at \$50,266.23/year effective immediately, motion carried.

Schweitzer moved, Campbell seconded to set Carrie Fisher's base wage at \$18.11/hour effective immediately, motion carried.

Record #13421 Doug Dauwen – Campbell moved, Henderson seconded to advertise record # 13421 and open bids on Tuesday, March 12th at 11:00 a.m, motion carried.

4-H Memo of Understanding – tabled till next month's meeting

Finance Office – Sara Stadler

- Appointments:
 - NW Area Landfill - Foster moved, Henderson seconded to appoint Todd Campbell to the NW Area Landfill Board, motion carried.
 - 4-H Board – Campbell moved, Foster seconded to appoint Kyle Carmichael to the 4-H Board, motion carried.
- Added Taxes – Discussion was had about any possible added tax parcels that Finance Officer Stadler could generate. Commissioners would like Stadler to pursue a tax bill for Record # 15260 for St. Larry's BBQ, Record # 16461 for Sheila Kari Johnson, and to pursue a partial tax bill for Record #15382 for Paul Randall Bentley for the part of the school rented to Headstart. No action will be taken on record #18375 Black Hills Foundation.
- Pitney Bowes Contract - Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to authorize Chairman Carmichael as signatory on the Pitney Bowes Contract for the next 5 years, motion carried.
- Retro Coverage with Dacotah Bank – Finance Officer Stadler wanted to inform all Commissioners of the purchase of Retro Coverage through Dacotah Insurance for the past 5 years at a cost of \$7,414.00.
- Surplus – Henderson moved, Schweitzer seconded to surplus a chalkboard and wheeled stand along with a battery backup for the Finance Office, motion carried. Chairman Carmichael will appoint 3 real property owners to assess a value.

Sewer System – Chairman Carmichael spoke to BL Contracting about getting a quote to fix the sewer line. Carmichael reported that there is concrete settling down along the building which may be the cause for the issue.

Claims

The following claims were presented and approved for payment: January payroll: 78,108.17; IRS, FICA, 7,728.98; SD Retirement, 6,375.64; Delta Dental, ins, 1,189.50; Medico Life, ins, 136.80; Wellmark, ins, 21,714.36; SunLife, ins, 111.72; HRA, reimb, 2,688.12; A&B, maint, 49.40; Agpro, equip/supplies, 1,205.78; A&B, supplies, 25.02; Artz Equip, repairs, 921.54; A. Hill, MH board, 194.11; Auto Value, equip, 521.84; Avera, prof fee, 270.00; BHCLG, fees, 2,145.00; Bison Courier, publishing, 281.03; Bison Food, supplies, 177.99; Bison Grain, equip, 6,473.10; Bison Imp, repairs, 3,655.96; Bison Senior Cit, subsidy, 1,500.00; BL Cont, contracts, 7,142.87; Brosz Eng, prof. fees, 8,760.00; Chapman's Elec, repairs, 135.53; Christ Stang, repairs, 246.73; Contractors Supply, repairs, 2,080.00; Current Conn, supplies/repairs, 1,122.25; Dacotah Bank, ins, 7,414.00; Dakota Fluid Power Inc, equip, 682.24; Dakota Herald, publishing, 423.99; Digital-Ally, repairs, 5,250.49; City of Mobridge, E911, 10,810.47; Executive MGMT, maint, 41.14; AT&T, utilities, 280.28; Floyd's Truck, repairs, 231.69; G&O, supplies, 329.40; Godfrey Brake, repairs, 422.30; Grand, utilities, 1,798.73; Grimms Pump, supplies, 256.30; Horizon Health, prof. serv, 167.00; John Deere, equip, 2,935.90; K&R Auto, maint, 60.00; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 65.40; LACED, subsidy, 15,000.00; Lemmon Fire Dept, subsidy, 20,000.00; Lemmon IGA, supplies, 16.98; Light & Siren, equip, 904.71; S. Whitney - airbnb, travel, 2,530.00; Lodgepole Propane, utilities, 3,438.22; M&W Towing, repairs, 377.50; Matheson Tri-Gas, supplies, 1,095.84; Meade Co, jail board/com center, 5,905.63; Mid-States Org Crime, dues, 100.00; M. Wilson, contractual serv, 95.00; NW Farm, supplies, 415.94; NW Tire, repairs, 6,821.87; Penfield, rent, 400.00; PC Ambulance, travel, 1,956.74; Pharmchem Inc, supplies, 63.90; Pheasantland, supplies, 238.07; Planning & Dev, prof. fees, 500.00; The Print Shop, supplies, 466.15; RDO Truck, supplies, 5,537.70; Runnings, supplies, 1,646.06; SD Dev. Center, mh sub, 120.00; SD DOT, prof fees, 544.30; SD Property Agency, equip, 268.00; SDACO, dues, 100.00; SD Sheriff's Assn, dues, 585.05; Servall, supplies, 175.71; Stippich Inc, supplies, 464.85; Tennant's, repair, 206.35; Theo's, mtgs, 72.00; Three Rivers, subsidy/rent, 7,125.00; Town of Bison, utilities, 307.82; T. Collins, contractual serv, 204.00; Trail King, repairs, 117.34; Trans Source; repair, 795.83; VISA, supplies/utilities, 1,842.32; Waeckerle Law, crt appt atty, 651.10; Weed & Pest, reg, 415.00; West Group, books, 787.90; WEX, fees, 1,138.50; WRCTC, utilities, 1,230.83; WR Funeral, ind burial, 1,860.00.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m. The next Regular meeting of the Perkins County Commission will be held on Tuesday, March 12th, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sara Stadler, Finance Officer

Kyle Carmichael, Chairman