April 11, 2023 - MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF BUFFALO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Dawn Cable called the meeting to order with Vice-Chair Donita Loudner and Commissioner Rex Zastrow present.

Also present were Dave Larson, States Attorney; Debi Ruiz, Central Dakota Times; Debra Morrison, Buffalo County Auditor; and several citizens.

Zastrow moved to accept agendas, seconded by Loudner. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

Zastrow moved to approve the Special March 14, 2023, minutes, seconded by Loudner. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

Cable opened the 2023 Lawn Bid. Zastrow moved to approve Gaulke Lawn Service for the Lawn Bid, seconded by Loudner. Motion carried with all voting Aye.

Several concerned citizens addressed the commissioners.

April 2023 Fuel bid from Total Oil, Inc. for Unleaded Bulk Price @ $3.36 per gallon, Ethanol Bulk Price @ $3.18, #1 Dyed Bulk Price Prem @ $N/A, and #2 Dyed Bulk Price Prem @ $3.22 per gallon. Motion to accept by Loudner seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

Loudner made a motion to change the highway hours to 7am-5pm, Monday – Thursday starting April 17, 2023; seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

Highway Supervisor Tanner Grohs gave his highway report. Discussion on a possible salvage tractor was tabled until the next meeting. No action was taken.

Loudner moved for Executive Session at 2:00pm for litigation and personal purposes; seconded by Zastrow. Executive Session closed at 3:05pm. Regular meeting resumed.

Loudner made a motion to advertise an additional Highway Assistant; seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried with all voting Aye.

Loudner made a motion to reimburse Highway Superintendent, Highway Assistant, and Elected Official for reimbursement for to $40 per cell phone. Motion failed for lack of second. Zastrow made a motion to reimburse Highway Superintendent (up to $40) and Highway Assistant (up to $10); seconded by Cable. Motion carried by two voting Ayes.

Director of Equalization/Weed & Pest Supervisor Lee Sinkie gave his reports. No action was taken.

Auditor/ROD Debra Morrison gave her reports. There were three hospitalizations. Auditors account with the County Treasurer for March 2023: Deposits $1,959,146.84; Cash on Hand $400.00; C.D. $200,000.00; Total $2,159,546.84. No action was taken.

Zastrow made a motion to approve Malt Beverage Renewals for Ken’s Service, Lynn’s Dakota Mart, Shelby’s LLC; seconded by Loudner. Motion carried by voting Ayes.

Morrison let the commissioners know that she received an email from the State Auditor requesting information about the 2021-2022 Audit.

Larson discussed the SD Free Abandoned Tank Removal Program. If anyone is interested in learning more, a flyer and applications are available from the auditor’s office.

Morrison discussed South Dakota Retirement, SDML, SDPAA and Upcoming Workshops. No action was taken.

Zastrow moved to approve the current vouchers; seconded by Loudner. Motion carried by all voting Ayes.

Payroll:

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| Commissioner | $630.00 |
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| Auditor/Register of Deeds | $3,500.00 |
| Treasurer | $3,675.00 |
| States Attorney | $3,432.71 |
| Sheriff | $4,583.33 |
| Director of Equalization | $2,688.00 |
| Weed Supervisor | $250.00 |
| Highway Superintendent | $646.14 |
| Highway Assistant | $4,058.53 |

Chamberlain School: $11,081.22

Kimball School: $1,477.50

WS School: $25,902.91

SDACO: $6.00

SDDOR: $22,949.54

Brule County: $10,567.79

CDT: $294.72

Central Electric: $801.58

IMEG: $1,000

Koch Law Office: $299.10

Menards: $7.72

Marco: $80.09

Midstate: $502.99

Oakley Repair: $36.00

Quality Inn: $149.16

Quill: $573.58

SDACC: $85.00

BIT: $6.25

SDPAA: $16,791.56

SD Weed & Pest $200.00

T-Mobile $15.00

Total Oil $3,041.53

US Postal Service $160.00

Jeff Argo: $5610.00

Yvette Isburg: $2,043.75

Andra Hill Consulting: $125.63

Aurora-Brule Water $25.75

Baker’s Repair $55.38

Microsoft Imaging $432.00

SD Unemployment $1,736.90

Next Commissioners Meeting May 2, 2023.

Loudner moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried with all voting Ayes.

ATTEST: /s/ Debra Morrison; Buffalo County Auditor

APPROVED: /s/ Dawn Cable, Buffalo County Chairman