**June 6, 2023 - MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF BUFFALO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Chairman Dawn Cable called the meeting to order at 1:00pm with Vice-Chair Donita Loudner and Commissioner Rex Zastrow present.

Also present were Dave Larson, States Attorney; Debra Morrison, Buffalo County Auditor; and several citizens.

Loudner moved to accept the agenda; seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

Loudner moved to approve the May 2, May 4, and May 18 Minutes; seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

IMEG representatives gave a report on Buffalo County Bridges Inspections and upcoming grants options. No action taken.

Loudner made a motion to enter into agreement with South Dakota Counties of Buffalo and Hand to have Arlen Gortmaker as Emergency Management Director; seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

South Dakota State Retirement Michelle Humann, Member Service Manager, discussed with the commissioners the benefits of employee’s participation with SDSR program. No action taken.

Several concerned citizens addressed the commissioners.

Loudner made a motion to approve the June 2023 Fuel bid from Total Oil, Inc. for Unleaded Bulk Price @ $N/A per gallon, Ethanol Bulk Price @ $3.12, #1 Dyed Bulk Price Prem @ $N/A, and #2 Dyed Bulk Price Prem @ $3.01 per gallon; Zastrow seconded. Motion carried by all voting Aye.

Highway Superintendent Tanner Grohs gave his highway report. Updated the commissioners on the Peterson Auction, Oversized Rock and Right of Ways. Zastrow made a motion to purchase a trailer for the highway department; seconded by Loudner. Motion carried with all voting Ayes.

Loudner made a motion to approve the HWY Superintendent to attend a meeting in Pierre; seconded by Zastrow. Motion carried by all voting Ayes.

Director of Equalization Lee Sinkie gave his update. No action taken.

Auditor/ROD Debra Morrison gave her report. Two hospitalizations to report. Auditor/Treasurer April report reflects Total Cash & Cash items: $400.00, Bank Balances: $2,474.686.52, C.D. Miller: $200,000.00. Shared Checks/Payroll Report to the commissioners and audience. Discussed 2024 Provisional Budgets. An additional budget meeting will be held on Wednesday June 21, 2023, at 1:00pm.

Commissioners discussed Colonial Life options. No action taken.

Commissioners discussed upcoming holidays and training. Courthouse and Highway will be closed for Juneteenth, June 19, 2023, and Fourth of July, July 4, 2023. Auditor Morrison asked that Buffalo County constituents check the Buffalo County Website ([www.buffalo.sdcounties.org](http://www.buffalo.sdcounties.org)) or call before coming to the courthouse to ensure personnel are available. Several employees are going to attend the meeting in July and will post closer attending.

Loudner made a motion to move into executive session for personal reasons at 3:40pm; seconded by Zastrow. Executive session ended at 4:00pm.

Zastrow made a motion to approve the vouchers; seconded by Loudner. Motion carried with all voting Aye.

Payroll:

Commissioner $840.00 Commissioner $840.00 Commissioner $840.00

Auditor/ROD $3,500.00 Treasurer $3,675.00 States Attorney $3,432.71

Sheriff $4,583.33 DOE $2,940.00 Weed Superv $250.00

HWY Superint $4,666.67 HWY Assistant $4,361.40 HWY Assistant $960.00

Wellmark $9,253.65 Division of CS $457.00 Aflac $233.86

Quoin Financial $6,806.93 BCBS $2,643.90

Vouchers:

Chamberlain School District $220,847.91 Kimball School District $28,482.81

Wess Springs School District $245,178.89 Miller School District $2,282.83

SDACO $4.00 SD Department of Revenue $11,401.69

Aurora-Brule Rural Water $122.00 Twin Valley Tire of Miller $499.00

Amkoda Farm & Home $143.93 Blackburn & Stevens, Prof LLC $160.50

Brule County Treasurer $229.50 Budde Septic Tank Cleaning $480.00

C&B Operations $9,521.00 CDT $218.40

Central Electric Cooperative $959.38 Dawn Cable $180.58

Deere Credit Inc. $48,869.70 Ecolab $85.00

Farmers Alliance CHS Inc $796.80 Huron Daily Plainsman $477.40

Department of Treasury $306.29 Yvette Isburg $865.50

Koch Law Office $192.60 Donita Loudner $164.26

Marco $183.04 McLeod’s Office Supply $324.98

Midstate Communications $440.36 MIS $120.00

Motor Clinic $1,103.90 NAPA $1,088.35

Overweg Repair $4,019.56 Quill $149.70

SDDOH $40.00 B.I.T. $6.25

SDHSC $600.00 SDSY Extension $2,177.06

Lee Sinkie $417.84 T-Mobile $15.00

Total Oil $5,160.45 True Dakotan $48.80

Next Commissioners Budget Meeting: June 21, 2023, at 1:00pm

Next Commissioners Regular Meeting: July 6, 2023, at 1:00pm

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

\*\*Register of Deeds Statement of May 2023 Fees: $290.00