

January 5, 2016

The Grant County Commission met at 8AM with Commissioners Buttke, Dummann, Mach, Stengel and Tucholke present. Chairman Tucholke called the meeting to order. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Stengel to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2015 meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Mach and seconded by Stengel to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Members from the public present; Jolie Hicks, Jim DeVaal, Gerry Adolph, John Moes, Keith Welberg, Kathy Tyler, Holli Seehafer, Grant County Review, Todd Kays, First District and Jay Gilbertson, East Dakota Water Development.

Auditor Layher reported there was no final business for 2015.

Chairman Tucholke adjourned the meeting sine die and Auditor Layher assumed the chair. Nominations for Chairman were called. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to nominate Stengel for Chairman and for nominations to cease and to cast a unanimous ballot for Stengel. Motion carried 5-0. Nominations for vice-chairman were called. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to nominate Mach for vice-chairman and for nominations to cease and to cast a unanimous ballot for Mach. Motion carried 5-0. Commissioner Stengel was seated as Chairman.

Highway: Supt. Schultz presented to the Commission for review the letter and resolution to be sent to the South Dakota Highway Patrol requesting assistance for the enforcement of a speed limit of 35 mph during spring thaw when the weight limit and 7500 ton per axle sign is posted. Motion by Mach and seconded by Tucholke to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter to be sent to the Motor Carrier Division. Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Buttke to adopt the resolution for weight and speed limit restrictions during the spring thaw. Motion carried 5-0. Resolution adopted.

2016-01

GRANT COUNTY WEIGHT / SPEED LIMIT ENFORCEMENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, seasonal climatic changes can be detrimental to our highways, and

WHEREAS, The Grant County Board of County Commissioners desires to protect existing Grant County Highways, ultimately saving tax dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Grant County Board of County Commissioners desires the enforcement of weight limitations on Grant County roads as set forth and posted by the Grant County Highway Superintendent.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

WHEREAS the limits on Grant County roadways shall be set as thirty-five miles per hour (35mph) for any vehicle over seventy-five hundred (7500) pounds during the spring thaw period and when speed / weight limit signs are in place and the South Dakota Highway Patrol hereby is authorized and requested to enforce speed / weight limitations on Grant County roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the penalty for the violation of the load restrictions should be as set forth in SDCL 32-22-55.

Vote of Grant County Commission: AYE: 5 NAY: 0

Dated this 5th day of January, 2016 at Milbank, SD.

Doug Stengel
Commission Chairman

ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher
Grant County Auditor

Sign Request: Discussion was held for lowering the speed on County Road 21 by the Paul Hicks residence because the farm site is located on both sides of the county road. Previously there had been signage but was removed when the new reflectivity signs were installed. Jolie Hicks expressed her concerns for the safety of children and the amount of traffic on the road. The recommendation from Supt. Schultz is to post the speed limit at 40 mile per hour by the farm site on 474th Ave going north to 145th St. Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried 5-0. Resolution adopted.

**A Resolution to Establish a Speed Limit
Resolution 2016-02**

A resolution establishing speed limitations on specified sections of 474th Avenue (AKA County Road 21) located in Melrose Township, Grant County, South Dakota.

WHEREAS, Grant County recognizes a responsibility to determine and establish speed zones upon the highways within its jurisdiction pursuant to SDCL 32-25-9.1.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Grant County that no person shall drive a vehicle upon 474th Avenue (AKA County Road #21) beginning at the intersection of 145th St and 474th Ave a proceeding south for approximately 1000 feet in excess of forty miles per hour.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that such speed zones shall be conspicuously posted at the beginning and ending of the zone, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that a violation of this resolution is a class 2 misdemeanor, punishable by a term of imprisonment not to exceed thirty days in the county jail or a fine not to exceed two hundred dollars, or both.

Dated this 5th day of January, 2016.

Doug Stengel, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher
Grant County Auditor

ROW 2016-01 A right-of-way application from ITC was reviewed for various locations for the installation of fiber optic and cable in the road right-of-way and the crossing of county roads in Troy Township. Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Mach to approve ROW 2016-01 as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

2016 Appointments: The reorganization of committees, boards, appointments and fees were reviewed for changes in 2016. Motion by Mach and seconded by Dummann to approve the following list of committee appointments. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Marty Buttke: Economic Development, Buildings, Community Transit, Milbank Housing Authority

Paul Dummann: Mental Health, Law Enforcement

Mike Mach: First District, Planning and Zoning

Doug Stengel: ICAP, Weed, Emergency Management

Clayton Tucholke: Insurance Alliance, Highway

Auditor Layher: Christian Service, Library, Visiting Neighbor

Deputy Auditor Joan Czmowski: 4-H

Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to approve the following designations.
Motion carried 5-0.

Designations:

Ambulance: Grant-Roberts

Depositories: First Bank & Trust in Milbank and Brookings (TIF), Wells Fargo,
Great Western, First State Bank and Public Funds Investment

Mileage and Meals: State Rates

Official Newspaper: Grant County Review

Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to set the salary for election workers
at \$10.50 per hour for 2016. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Buttke to approve the eighteen election
precincts for 2016 as established in 2014. Motion carried 5-0.

Funeral Allowance: Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Mach to set the county
paid funeral at \$3100 plus the cost of opening and closing the grave for 2016.
Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Mach to approve the following
appointments. Motion carried 5-0.

APPOINTMENTS:

Emergency Management: Sheryl Ward

Assessor: Kathy Steinlicht

Planning and Zoning: Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker

Visiting Neighbor Coordinator: Wanda Koepke

Glacial Lakes Tourism: Milbank Chamber Director

Hwy Supt: Kerwin Schultz: - 2 year appointment for 2015-2016

Veterans Service Officer: Scott Malimanek – 4 year appointment for 2014-2017

2016 Holidays: After a review of the holiday schedule for 2016, it was moved by
Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve the holiday schedule with Friday,
November 25 to close subject to a Governor declaration. Motion carried 5-0.

2016 Salary Resolution: Auditor Layher reviewed the salary schedules from First
District on how other counties were categorizing highway personnel. Grant County
is the only county in the study with three categories of light equipment, heavy
equipment and bridge crew for the highway. Highway Supt. Schultz recommended

the light equipment operator be moved to the heavy equipment operator category. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve Supt Schultz's request to move the light equipment operator into the heavy equipment operator category. Motion carried 5-0.

Auditor Layher also brought forth to the commission to change the Director of Equalization from a salary to an hourly position. According to the Fair Labor Standards Act a salaried position must supervise two or more employees. It was recommended to change the position from salary to hourly beginning when Kathy Steinlicht was appointed the assessor as there is only one deputy under the assessor. Any hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week will be considered comp time beginning with her appointment. It was motioned by Tucholke and seconded by Buttke to approve the DOE (Assessor) position from a salary position to an hourly position beginning with her appointment and to approve any comp hours in excess of 40 hours per week as indicted on her timesheet records. Motion carried 5-0.

After a final review of the salary schedule for 2016, it was moved by Tucholke and seconded by Dummann to adopt the 2016 salary resolution. Motion carried and resolution adopted 5-0.

2016-03 Salary Resolution

WHEREAS, the Grant County Commission must establish and publish salaries of all officials and employees of the county as per SDCL 6-1-10. Payroll: Marty Buttke, 953.35; Paul Dummann 953.35; Mike Mach 953.35; Doug Stengel 953.35; Clayton Tucholke 953.35; Karen Layher 4593.55; John Gill 19.15 per hr; Joan Czmowski 16.50 per hr; Mary Fenhaus 15.75 per hr; Raynelle Mueller 3745.60; Sally Heinje 15.70 per hr; Karla DeVaal 15.05 per hr; Marilyn Rethke 15.55 per hr; Mark Reedstrom 7985.30; Kathleen Strei 14.60 per hr; Duane Tillman, Coroner 72.40 per call; David Larsen 17.95 per hr; David Dashiell 13.15 per hr; Judith Gilbertson 12.30 per hr; Kathy Steinlicht 21.22 an hr; Ryan Gruba 15.80 per hr; Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker 17.15 per hr; Nancy Copeland 3745.60; Rebecca Wellnitz 16.50 per hr; Brittany Ritter 14.70 per hr; Kevin Owen 4274.50; Mark Leusink 20.70 per hr; William Newstrand 20.70 per hr; Jeremy Steffensen 20.50 per hr; Susan Busk 14.80 per hr; Rita German 14.20 per hr; Scott O'Donnell 13.40 per hr; Andrew Pillatzki 14.00; Kevin Speaker 14.00 per hr; Scott Malimanek 14.90 per hr; Edna Englund 10.50 per hr; Jessica Anderson 13.20 per hr; Wanda Koepke 1267.80; Kristi Dorneman 12.85 per hr; Marie Loutsch 12.30 per hr; Linda Raffety 12.85 per hr; Jody Carlson 3182.70; Teresa Adolph 12.40 per hr; Yvette Johnson 12.15 per hr; Cindy Jungers 12.75 per hr; Janelle Kelly 12.95 per hr; LouAnn Kiemele 12.15 per hr; Collette Krakow 12.65 per hr; Shawna Przybycien 14.95 per hr; Tammy Rufer 12.65 per hr; Sharon Wieber 12.75 per hr; Tammy Wollschlager 13.75 hr; Sara Koepke 17.00 per hr; Nikki Rabe 13.20 per hr; Nathan Mueller 18.40 per hr; Jenny Wellnitz 14.00 per hr; Kerwin Schultz 4593.55; Dale Brandt 16.35 per hr; Ken Brotzel 15.85 per hr; Daryl Dragt 17.25 per hr; Blain

Gatz 17.30 per hr; David Green 17.75 per hr; Brian Greiner 17.25 per hr; Robert Grewing 17.25 per hr; Ronald Grewing 17.25 per hr; Justin Layher 17.90 per hr; Eric Mueller 16.50 per hr; Roy Nielsen 18.65 per hr; Daren Peterson 19.25 per hr; Sandra Ramsdell 17.25 per hr; Michael Schaffer 17.55 per hr; John Winqvist 17.25 per hr; Sheryl Ward 18.40 per hr; P&Z Bd 125.00 per mtg; Library Bd 25.00 per mtg; Visiting Neighbor Bd 25.00 per mtg; Weed Bd 25.00 per mtg; Election worker 10.50 h; matron 15.65 per hr; Transport Officer 16.85 per hr.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grant County Commission of Grant County does hereby adopt the Salary Resolution 2016-03 for the year 2016.

Dated this 5th day of January, 2016.

Doug Stengel, Chairman
Grant County Commission

ATTEST:
Karen M. Layher
Grant County Auditor

First District: Todd Kays, First District Executive Director, reviewed the work activities for Grant County for 2015. He reported on the technical and planning services, GIS work and assistance with grant applications First District offers. Grant County received \$141,575 in grants in 2015. In 2016, First District will continue to work with Grant County on projects of CAFO ordinances, ordinance revisions, GIS, software upgrades to the website development and Next Generation 911 database. He also reported on the time line for the Planning & Zoning study group work on the CAFO ordinance. Kays thanked Grant County for their support and cooperation in the past and looking forward to continued support in 2016.

East Dakota Water District: Jay Gilbertson, East Dakota Water District manager, reported on water samples monitored during 2015 from the Yellowbank River, Whetstone River and Upper Sioux River in several site areas. A request from Grant County to have additional water sampling for the west end of the county was included in 2015. Water samples in these areas were tested for e-coli and nitrates with results in the acceptable ranges. Gilbertson stated samples for e-coli and nitrate in the area did fluctuate within the normal range due to either rain fall where numbers can go up and were below normal range when there is no precipitation. He stated East Dakota has been collecting water sampling data throughout NE South Dakota for the past 40 years in certain locations and data has remained consistent.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Buttke to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

1. Declare surplus Library Circulation Desk, fixed asset number 101-175

Travel: None

County Assistance: None

Executive Session: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Correspondence: None

Claims: Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 5-0. D.R. MYERS DISTRIBUTING, ref mat 29.95; GRANT CO TREAS, tree contest 65.00; GRANT CTY CONSER DIST, allocation 11,000.00; GRANT-ROBERTS RURAL WATER, rural water 40.60; GRANT/ROBERTS AMBULANCE, allocation 2,458.33; JOSEPH W. KANTHAK, tower rent 600.00; NATL ASSN OF COUNTIES, dues 450.00; POSTMASTER, stamps 10.50; SD ASSN CO COMM, dues 1,529.84; SD ASSN CO OFFICIALS, dues 1,039.92; SD ASSOC WEED/PEST, dues 50.00; SD EM MGMT ASSN, dues & regis 75.00; SD STATE'S ATTY ASSN, dues 811.00; SDAAO, dues 110.00; SDAE4-HP, dues 120.00; SDML WORKERS' COMP FUND, insurance renewal 47,513.00; STATE BAR OF SD, dues 490.00; THOMPSON, ref mat 429.00; WEED & PEST CONFERENCE, regis 260.00. TOTAL: \$ 67,082.14.

It is the policy of Grant County, South Dakota, not to discriminate against the handicapped in employment or the provision of service.

The next scheduled meeting dates will be January 19 and February 2 and 16, 2016 and at 8 AM. Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

Karen M. Layher, Grant County Auditor

Doug Stengel, Chairman, Grant County Comm.