

January 6, 2015

The Grant County Commission met at 8AM with Commissioners Buttke, Dummann, Commissioner Elect Mach, Mann, Stengel and Tucholke present. Chairman Dummann called the meeting to order. Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Stengel to approve the minutes of the December 31, 2014 meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Stengel to approve the agenda with the addition of Tom Pillatzki at 9:30. Motion carried 5-0.

Auditor Layher reported the 2014 commission budget did not require a contingency transfer due to the allocation to the Marvin Fire Dept being set up as designated cash. There was not any other final business to conduct for 2014.

The Commissioners thanked Commissioner Mann for his service to the citizens of Grant County and wished him well in his retirement. Gene expressed his appreciation to the commission for serving with them and wished Commissioner Mike Mach good luck. Thank you Commissioner Mann for your service to Grant County. Commissioner Mach was seated.

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

2015 Appointments: The reorganization of committees, boards, appointments and fees were reviewed for changes in 2015. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Stengel 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 Stengel 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

Official Newspaper: Grant County Review

Election Precinct Workers Salary: \$10.00 per hour

Election Precinct Locations: Same as 2014 – 18 voting locations

Funeral Allowance: Motion by Stengel and seconded by Mach to set the county paid funeral at \$3100 plus the cost of opening and closing the grave for 2015.

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Dummann and seconded by Stengel to approve the following appointments. Motion carried 5-0.

APPOINTMENTS:

Assessor: Kathy Steinlicht

Emergency Management: Sheryl Ward

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

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 Stengel and seconded by Mach to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter to be sent to the Motor Carrier Division requesting assistance with weight limit enforcement. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to adopt the resolution for weight and speed limit restrictions during the spring thaw. Motion carried 5-0. Resolution adopted.

2015-01

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 6th day of January, 2015 at Milbank, SD.

Clayton Tucholke
Commission Chairman

ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher
Grant County Auditor

Vernon Twp: Supervisor Lowell Boe reported the Vernon Twp Supervisors and landowners Jerry Roggenbuck, Earl Lundeen and Jeff Schuelke had a discussion to try an alternate plan rather than the hydraulic study for the culvert replacement project on 483rd and 484th Ave north of 158th Street. Lowell stated the parties involved would like to exchange the existing culvert by Jeff Scheulke's residence with a flat bottom culvert and lower the culvert. This is the only change they would like implemented for the present time because with the cleaning out of the ditches, the parties involved believe the water will flow. If this plan does not solve the problem, then they would like to follow the hydraulic study plan. Supt Schultz stated the plan being proposed would save dollars and allow the man hours to be spent on other projects. The commission asked Lowell to bring back a signed

agreement from all the parties involved for the commission to review before any action is taken.

States Attorney: Mark Reedstrom gave the Commission an overview of statutes pertaining to commissioner duties and authority. He commended the Commission on the civility demonstrated by them over the past years.

4-H: Agent Sara Koepke reported she will soon be advertising for the part time assistance for 19.5 hours per week which was approved for the 2015 budget. This will be done after the Farm and Home Show activities are completed. Sara reported due to shortage of 4-H agents on the western part of the state, the 4-H agents in this area have been asked if they could help at the Youth Day during the Black Hills Stock Show. The Commission requested Sara to check if travel would be reimbursed to the county. Travel request to be on the January 20 meeting.

Oaths of Office: Judge Robert Timm administered the oaths of office to District 1 Commissioner Mike Mach, District 3 Commissioner Paul Dummann, District 5 Commissioner Marty Buttke, Auditor Karen Layher, Sheriff Kevin Owen and Register of Deeds Nancy Copeland.

P & Z: Present were Dale Weinkauf, Thomas Pillatzki, Loretta Pillatzki, Clayton Whiting, Roger Hopkins, Ryan Hopkins, Alex Hopkins, Mark Wollschlager, Raymond Beutler, Jerome Schuelke, Roger Loeschke, Vince Meyer, Patricia Meyer, Eugene Pillatzki, Marlys Pillatzki, Keith Welberg, Lois Welberg, Steve Spiering, Val Rademacher, Gary Meister and Greg Wollschlager. Tom Pillatzki spoke on behalf of a group of area residents addressing the Commission on concerns of hog facilities. He asked the Commission to review Section 8 of the zoning ordinance to address setbacks and animal units for hog facilities. Since, this item was not received before the agenda deadline, the item will be placed on the January 20 agenda.

2015 Holidays: After a review of the holiday schedule for 2015, it was moved by Mach and seconded by Buttke to exchange Monday October 12 for Friday November 27 with the other holidays scheduled in accordance with SDCL 1-5-1 and adding closing at noon on Wednesday December 24 to the holiday schedule. Motion carried 5-0.

2015 Salary Resolution: After a final review of the salary schedule for 2015, it was moved by Dummann and seconded by Stengel to adopt the 2015 salary resolution. Motion carried and resolution adopted 5-0.

2015-02
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, 925.55; Paul Dummann 925.55; Mike Mach 925.55; Doug Stengel 925.55; Clayton Tucholke 925.55; Karen Layher 4459.75; John Gill 18.65 per hr; Joan Czmowski 16.05 per hr; Mary Fenhaus 15.25 per hr; Raynelle Mueller 3636.50; Sally Heinje 14.65 per hr; Karla DeVaal 14.05 per hr; Mark Reedstrom 7752.70; Kathleen Strei 14.20 per hr; David Larsen 17.45 per hr; David Dashiell 12.80 per hr; Judith Gilbertson 11.70 per hr; Kathy Steinlicht 3585.00; Ryan Gruba 15.25 per hr; Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker 16.65 per hr; Nancy Copeland 3636.50; Rebecca Wellnitz 15.95 per hr; Jennifer VanHout 14.75 per hr; Kevin Owen 4150.00; Mark Leusink 20.00 per hr; William Newstrand 20.00 per hr; Jeremy Steffensen 19.80 per hr; Jay Brakke 14.00 per hr; Susan Busk 14.40 per hr; Rita German 13.70 per hr; Andrew Pillatzki 13.00; Kevin Speaker 13.50 per hr; Scott Malimanek 14.45 per hr; Edna Englund 10.20 per hr; Nicole Hooth 13.30 per hr; Heather Rise 12.80; Wanda Koepke 1230.85; Kristi Dorneman 12.50 per hr; Marie Loutsch 11.95 per hr; Linda Raffety 12.40 per hr; Jody Carlson 3090.00; Teresa Adolph 11.80 per hr; Yvette Johnson 11.80 per hr; Cindy Jungers 12.40 per hr; Janelle Kelly 12.50 per hr; LouAnn Kiemele 11.80 per hr; Collette Krakow 12.30 per hr; Shawna Przybycien 14.05 per hr; Tammy Rufer 12.30 per hr; Sharon Wieber 12.40 per hr; Tammy Wollschlager 13.35 hr; Sara Koepke 16.50 per hr; Nathan Mueller 17.85 per hr; Jenny Wellnitz 13.50 per hr; Kerwin Schultz 4459.75; Daryl Dragt 16.80 per hr; Blain Gatz 16.70 per hr; David Green 17.25 per hr; Brian Greiner 16.80 per hr; Robert Grewing 16.80 per hr; Ronald Grewing 16.80 per hr; Justin Layher 17.40 per hr; Roy Nielsen 18.10 per hr; Daren Peterson 18.70 per hr; Sandra Ramsdell 16.80 per hr; Michael Schaffer 16.60 per hr; John Winquist 16.70 per hr; Sheryl Ward 17.85 per hr.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grant County Commission of Grant County does hereby adopt the Salary Resolution 2015-02 for the year 2015.

Dated this 6th day of January, 2015.

Clayton Tucholke, Chairman
Grant County Commission

ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher
Grant County Auditor

Travel: Motion by Stengel and seconded by Mach to approve travel expenses for Auditor Layher to attend a Secretary of State workshop in Pierre and for the Commissioners to attend the New Officials workshop in Pierre. Motion carried 5-0.

Rural Attorney Recruitment Program: Motion by Stengel and seconded by Dummann to not participate in the program at this time. Motion carried 5-0.

SDPAA: Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to approve signing the Intergovernmental Contract with South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance who is the county's insurance carrier. Motion carried 5-0.

Executive Session: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to enter into executive session at 11:03 AM for the purpose of a personnel issue pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1). Motion carried 5-0. Auditor Layher was present. Chairman Tucholke declared the meeting open to the public at 11:15 AM. No action taken as a result of the executive session.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Correspondence: None

Claims: Motion by Stengel and seconded by Dummann to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 5-0. GRANT CO REVIEW, publishing 1,415.68; GRANT CO CONSER DIST, allocation 12,000.00; GRANT/ROBERTS AMBULANCE, allocation 2,458.33; JOSEPH KANTHAK, tower rent 600.00; NACVSO, membership dues 30.00; NATL ASSN OF CO, membership dues 450.00; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, nat gas 413.63; SDACC, membership dues 1,529.84; SDACHS, membership dues 225.00; SDACO, membership dues 1,039.92; SDPUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIANCE, insurance 69,988.58; SDSAA, membership dues 811.00; SDAAO, membership dues 110.00; SDAE4-HP, membership dues 120.00; SDML, workers comp 50,643.00; STATE BAR OF SD, membership dues 415.00; THOMPSON INFO SERVICE, ref material 429.00. TOTAL: \$142,678.98.

Payroll for the following departments and offices for the month of December 2014 are as follows: COMMISSIONERS 4726.95; AUDITOR 12,794.72; TREASURER 8410.64; STATES ATTORNEY 9854.51; CUSTODIANS 4414.45; DIR. OF EQUALIZATION 5850.52; REG. OF DEEDS 5849.62; VET. SERV. OFFICER 1127.00; SHERIFF 16,916.11; COMMUNICATION CTR 11,048.10; PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE 2594.30; ICAP 534.60; VISITING NEIGHBOR 3318.60; LIBRARY 12,667.97; 4-H 2720.00; WEED CONTROL 2854.00; PLAN & ZONING 3511.90; ROAD & BRIDGE 41,609.32; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2854.01; TOTAL: \$153,657.32.

Payroll Claims: FIRST BANK & TRUST, Fed WH 13,854.42; FIRST BANK & TRUST, FICA WH & Match 18,590.24; FIRST BANK & TRUST, MEDICARE WH & Match 4347.78; AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE, AFLAC ins. 1,770.76; WELLMARK-BLUE CROSS OF SD, Employee and Commission health ins. 43,024.56; DEARBORN NATIONAL, life ins. 220.86; LEGAL SHIELD, deduction 172.30; OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT, deduction 566.00; OPTILEGRA, ins 310.03; ROGENBURG LAW, deduction 350.00; SDSR SUPPLEMENTAL, deduction 90.00; SDSR, retire 16,959.04. TOTAL: \$100,034.03.

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 20 and February 3 and 17, 2015 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

Clayton Tucholke, Chairman, Grant County Comm.