

July 5, 2017

**Approved**

The Grant County Commission met at 8AM with Commissioners Buttke, Mach, Stengel and Street present. Commissioner Dummann was absent. Chairman Mach called the meeting to order. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried 4-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

**Drainage:** Chairman Mach adjourned the Board of Commissioners and convened the commission acting as the Drainage Board. The Drainage Administrator presented the following permit request.

Permit DR2017-22 by Earl Lundin, owner for the NE1/4 of Section 25, Township 119, Range 48 (Vernon Township). The Drainage administrator stated this is a cooperative project with the adjoining landowner Blue Sky Hutterian. Earl's tiling project will connect to the tile on the Hutterian property which goes into a natural run. Adjoining landowner's signature has been obtained as well as permission from the Vernon Township Supervisors to cut through 158<sup>th</sup> St. Earl stated the tile project will help to improve the farm land and help to reduce ground soil alkali. Commissioner Street stated he had reviewed the project and would recommend approval of permit DR 2017-22, seconded by Stengel. Motion carried 4-0.

This concluded the business for the Drainage Board. Chairman Mach adjourned the Drainage Board and reconvened the Board of Commissioners.

Departments meeting with the commission for the 2018 budget requests were as follows. Weed: Nathan Mueller; Highway: Supt Schultz; Historical Society: Arlo and Paulette Levisen; Emergency Management: Sheryl Ward; States Attorney: Mark Reedstrom; Treasurer: Raynelle Mueller; Director of Equalization: Kathy Steinlicht; Life Quest: Carol Anderson; Economic Development: Bobbie Bohlen; Soil Conservation: Steph Pauli and Ron Meister. Budget hearings will continue on Thursday July 6, 2017.

**Chevy Tahoe Bid Opening:** The bid opening for the sale of the 2011 Chevy Tahoe was held with one bid received from Jamie Pekelder for \$4155.00. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to accept the bid of \$4,155.00 from Jamie Pekelder. Motion carried 4-0.

**Courthouse:** Motion by Buttke and seconded by Stengel to approve the request from Daryl Liebe on behalf of Calvary Church to use the front courthouse lawn for a Lighthouse concert to be held August 24 with the condition a certificate of insurance is provided and any lawn or plant damage will be replaced. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Stengel excused himself from the meeting at 11 AM.

**Grant Deuel:** The final draft of the resolution for the gift of money to the county to be held in a reserve account for future reclamation of the building was signed at the June 29 Grant Deuel school board meeting. The same resolution was presented to the Commission. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried 3-0. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2017-20

A RESOLUTION to accept monetary gift funds from Grant-Deuel School District 25-3, and to designate its disposition and purpose.

WHEREAS, the School Board of Grant-Deuel School District 25-3 has by resolution developed a plan to dissolve and discontinue operations after the 2016-17 school year, effective June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to its plan of dissolution, the Grant-Deuel School Buildings and all physical assets will be declared surplus and sold, or donated on or before June 30, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to its plan of dissolution the School Board of Grant-Deuel School District 25-3 anticipates there will be an excess of total assets over total liabilities, and, in particular, surplus property and monies available for grants and gifts pursuant to SDCL 6-5-5; and,

WHEREAS, if by resolution, the School Board of Grant-Deuel School District 25-3 directs the gifting of a sum of money to Grant County, South Dakota, to hold in a designated reserve account for the purpose of reclamation of the Grant-Deuel School District 25-3 buildings and associated real property; then,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Grant County Commissioners that Grant County, South Dakota may ACCEPT the monetary gift, and shall hold such funds in a designated reserve account so such funds will be available for reclamation of the Grant-Deuel School District 25-3 buildings and associated real property, if Grant County should acquire such property during the next twenty-five (25) years; however, this resolution shall not in any way or manner, express or implied, bind the current Board of County Commissioners, or any future Board of County Commissioners to acquire said real property, by tax deed proceedings, or otherwise. See: SDCL 10-25-16.

BE IT RESOLVED, the designated reserve account established for the monetary gift shall accrue interest for the year on December 31 of each year of the 25 year period of this agreement. If the funds are not used within the 25 year period for the reclamation of the school buildings, the interest accrued will revert back to the County General Fund before the monetary gift is apportioned to the school districts as designated within the school's Plan to Dissolve; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Grant County Commissioners that the term "reclamation" shall be defined by the Board of County Commissioners, or by future Boards of County Commissioners, when and if such property becomes the property of Grant County, South Dakota. The term reclamation may include, but not be limited to, demolition, retrofitting, remodeling, or otherwise improving the property to a use or function that the commissioners' deem to be within the best interest of Grant County, South Dakota; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Grant County Commissioners that if Grant County does not acquire ownership of said property within the next twenty-five (25) years, then Grant County shall by resolution, dissolve the designated reserve account of the funds gifted to Grant County by the Grant-Deuel School Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Grant County Commission shall direct the County Auditor to distribute the proceeds of the monetary gift proportionately to the Milbank School District, the Deuel School and the Waverly/South Shore School District according to the percentage of the taxable land values of the Grant-Deuel School District that have been distributed to these districts. The distribution percentages are Milbank School District 73.18%, Deuel School District 26.46 percent and Waverly/South Shore 0.36%.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if any of the school districts listed in the Plan to Dissolve are no longer in operation at the time of the apportioning of the monetary gift, the funds will be apportioned to the successor school districts of said plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if a future land owner decides to remove the school buildings or a portion of the school buildings within the 25 year period of this agreement, Grant County will use the monetary gift to help defray the cost of removal of the school buildings, or a portion of said buildings. The County will only pay the demolition contractor directly, and only after the work is completed for the amount not to exceed the designated reserve account established by the County.

Adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

Michael J. Mach  
Chairman, Grant County Commission

ATTEST:  
Karen M. Layher  
Grant County Auditor

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Street and seconded by Buttke to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 3-0.

1. Approve step increase for 4-H Secretary Nikki Rabe from 6 mo to 1 year at \$14.15 effective 06-14-2017

2. Approve step increase for Sheriff Deputy Robert Newstrand from 6 mo to 1 year at \$20.90 effective 06-14-2017

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** Due to a conflict, the next Commission meeting will be held on Friday July 21 at 8 AM.

**Correspondence:** None

**Claims:** Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 3-0. AVERA QUEEN OF PEACE, prof serv 58.90; BERENS, supplies 6.52; BITUMINOUS PAVING, hwy projects 393,392.92; BRENDA L HOLTQUIST, prof service 94.50; BUTLER MACHINERY, parts 139.47; CENTER POINT, books 126.73; CITY OF MILBANK, water & sewer 639.25; EAST RIVER ELECTRIC, tower rent 576.00; FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS, plat books 1,150.00; GALE GROUP, books 17.00; FOOD-N-FUEL, prisoner meals 1,191.75; GRAJCZYK LAW OFFICE, ct appt atty 822.50; GRANT CO SHERIFF, postage 5.34; GRANT-ROBERTS RURAL WATER, rural water 36.40; GRANT/ROBERTS AMBULANCE, allocation 2,458.33; GRAY CONSTRUCTION, storm shelter 23,584.00; JD POWER, ref mat 115.00; KEN VANORNY, prof service 150.00; KIBBLE EQUIP, parts 8.95; LINCOLN CO AUDITOR, co assistance 82.15; LOCATORS AND SUPPLIES, supplies 103.54; MCLEOD'S, supplies 544.45; MICROMARKETING, DVD 180.20; MID STATES AUDIO, equipment 425.47; MILBANK AUTO PARTS, supplies 684.22; MN DEPT OF TRANS, tower rent 300.00; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, nat gas 41.48; PCMG, antivirus renewal 1,206.50; REED ELSEVIER, ref material 700.00; RUNNINGS, supplies 127.24; SD ASSN CO COMM, CLERP 1,962.03; SD PUB ASSURANCE ALLIANCE, insurance 183.51; SDSU EXTENSION, state fair pass & parking fee 50.00; STAR LAUNDRY, prof service 35.33; TWIN VALLEY TIRE, parts & repair 360.66; VISA, gas, books & supplies 667.69; WHETSTONE HOME CENTER, supplies 53.38; XEROX, copier rent 20.79; MIDCO, internet 90.53. TOTALS: \$432,392.73.

Payroll for the following departments and offices for the month of June 2017 are as follows: COMMISSIONERS 5013.60; AUDITOR 14,883.71; TREASURER 10,176.88; STATES ATTORNEY 11,134.44; CUSTODIANS 5586.64; DIR. OF EQUALIZATION 7110.02; REG. OF DEEDS 7161.97; VET. SERV. OFFICER 1396.85; SHERIFF 19,420.01; COMMUNICATION CTR 12,019.32; PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE 2578.68; ICAP 712.80; VISITING NEIGHBOR 2909.94;

LIBRARY 13,060.13; 4-H 5446.40; WEED CONTROL 4501.90; PLAN & ZONING 4965.08; ROAD & BRIDGE 49,770.12; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 3640.61. TOTAL: \$181,489.10.

Payroll Claims: FIRST BANK & TRUST, Fed WH 17,193.02; FIRST BANK & TRUST, FICA WH & Match 21,878.12; FIRST BANK & TRUST, Medicare WH & Match 5116.66; AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE, AFLAC ins. 1879.46; WELLMARK-BLUE CROSS OF SD, Employee and Commission health ins. 45,680.17; DEARBORN NATIONAL, life ins. 237.89; LEGAL SHIELD, deduction 159.35; OPTILEGRA, ins 362.07; SDSR SUPPLEMENTAL, deduction 3185.00; AAA Collections, deduction 142.45; SDRS, retire 18,954.14; US DEPT OF ED, deduction 188.29. TOTAL: \$114,976.62.

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 regular meeting dates will be Friday July 21, 2017 (change in meeting date) and August 1 and 15 at 8 AM. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Stengel to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned.

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Karen M. Layher, Grant County Auditor

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Michael J. Mach, Chairman, Grant County

July 6, 2017

The Grant County Commission met at 8AM with Commissioners Buttke, Mach, Stengel and Street present. Commissioner Dumann was absent. Chairman Mach called the meeting to order. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Stengel to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

The purpose of the meeting was to meet with department personnel on the 2018 budget requests, review all remaining budgets in preparation of the Provisional Budget.

The commission heard the 2018 budget requests from the following personnel. Auditor and Elections: Karen Layher; Data Processing: John Gill; Library: Jody Carlson; Visiting Neighbor: Wanda Koepke; Sheriff-Jail-Juvenile-911-24/7: Sheriff Kevin Owen; Register of Deeds: Nancy Copeland. All remaining budgets were reviewed by the commission.

Present from Milbank Fire Department were Chief Kevin Schuelke, Captain Craig DeBoer and Dept Secretary Mike Hanson. Chief Schuelke stated he would like to establish a line of communications with the Commission as the department serves the rural area as well as Milbank. He stated the city owns the trucks and a new pumper truck is being purchased, but the additional costs to outfit the rig is expensive. The cost to outfit a fireman is approximately \$3000. The gear includes pants, jacket, facemask, gloves, helmet and boots. The department does budget for three sets to be replaced on a yearly basis. A future issue is the radio upgrade to the PT55 radios. Another need is an additional 8 to 10 pagers. Future funding assistance from the County was discussed with no action taken at this time.

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