

June 16, 2015

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 Stengel and seconded by Buttke to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2015 meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Mach and seconded by Stengel to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

The Auditor's account for the month of May was noted.

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners,
Grant County:

I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of the County of Grant as of the last day of May, 2015

Cash on Hand	\$2,939.50
Checks in Treasurer's possession less than 3 days	\$30,464.68
Cash Items	\$0.00
TOTAL CASH ASSETS ON HAND	\$33,404.18
RECONCILED CHECKING	
First Bank & Trust	\$7,340.60
Credit Card Transactions	\$0.00
First Bank & Trust (Svgs)	\$5,819,766.14
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	
First Bank & Trust	\$0.00
First Bank & Trust (TIF)	\$414,689.71
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	\$6,275,200.63
GENERAL LEDGER CASH BALANCES:	
General	\$2,660,591.71
General restricted cash	\$553,152.00
Cash Accounts for Offices General Fund	\$1,605.00
Sp. Revenue	\$811,436.37
Sp. Revenue restricted cash	\$0.00
Henze Road District	\$1,910.88
TIF Apportioning Northern Lights	\$0.00
TIF Milbank	\$1,782.96
TIF Northern Lights	\$414,689.71
Trust & Agency	\$1,830,032.00
(schools 1,458,835.00, twps 64,083.95, city/towns 125,932.17)	
TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH	\$6,275,200.63

Dated this 9th day of June, 2015
Karen M. Layher
County Auditor

The Sheriff's fees for the month of May were \$5,637.96 with \$1,138.20 receipted into the County's General Fund. The Register of Deeds fees for the month of May were \$7,347.75. The Clerk of Courts remittance fees for the month of May were \$5,213.94.

Members of the public present were Tim Miller, Robert Pauli, Adam Pauli, Greg Kasuske, Dan Kasuske, Jerry Zubke and Keith Welberg.

Drainage: Chairman Tucholke adjourned the Board of Commissioners and convened the commission acting as the Drainage Board. Drainage administrator Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker presented the following permit applications. Permit DR2015-3 for Tim Miller, NE1/4 FRL Ex E 30 Rods of the E1/2 NE1/4 in 8-121-48 (Melrose Township). The request would allow the landowner to remove surface water for corn and soy production. The outlet is into a natural run on his land. A review of the plans and vested drainage rights was conducted. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Dummann to approve DR2015-3 as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Permit DR2015-4 Gregory Kasuske, E1/2 SE1/4 ex Lt H2 & Ex Lt 1 D&L Subdivision and E1/2 SW1/4 & W1/2 SE1/4 ex Lt1 Carl Kasuske Subdivision & Ex Lt H2 in 4-120-49 (Grant Center Township) is a request to allow the landowner to work in conjunction with DR2015-5 to improve tillable ground with patterned line tiles and with an agreement to shut off the pump when the natural water way is above flood stage. Discussion from Drainage Board meeting May 19, 2015 also clarified this permit is only for land North of the natural creek run. Permit DR2015-5 for Pauli Farms, SE1/4 NE1/4 & Govt Lt1 ex Lt1 Pauli Farm Subdivision, SW1/4 NE1/4 & Govt Lt 2 and SE1/4 NW1/4 & Govt Lt 3 in 4-120-49 (Grant Center Township) is a request from the landowner to remove excess water and ponding. Both permits have worked together to size the lift pump appropriately and both presented maps of the tiling projects. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Stengel to approve DR2015-4 and DR2015-5 as presented. Discussion on determining when the pump will be shut off and it was stated it would be shut off when the creek is outside of banks. Motion carried 5-0.

This concluded the business for the drainage board. Chairman Tucholke adjourned the Drainage Board and reconvened the Board of Commissioners.

Highway: Supt Schultz reported a replacement culvert would not be needed for the Lura Township project as previously requested as the culvert band had broken and can be replaced. He has ordered the new band and the township will proceed with the repair. Schultz reported on asphalt patching, seal coating, gravel hauling, gravel crushing and culvert and bridge projects.

Supt Schultz reported he is reviewing and providing information to First District in preparation for applying for the Agri-Business grant which is due by July 15 and the Local Infrastructure Improvement Program grant which is due by July 31,

2015. A cost estimate from Aason Engineering is being completed for the proposed grant funding project for a two inch asphalt lift on County Road 8 west of Highway 81.

Commissioner Buttke asked about extending a reduced speed limit on County Road 31 by the Dave Van Veen residence. The item will be added to the July 7 agenda for consideration.

Senate Bill 1: The discussion continued on the local funding options available to counties with the passage of SB1 for local road and bridge projects. The commission reviewed projected revenue generated from the motor vehicle license plate fee increase which is estimated to be a 20% increase. They also discussed the additional levy which is a maximum of \$1.20 per thousand dollar of value for a county under one billion in valuation that can be requested in addition to the county's tax call levy for property taxes. Also, SB 1 allows the wheel tax to increase from \$4 to \$5 per wheel up to maximum of \$60 for a total of 12 wheels. The additional revenue projection for the increase in the wheel tax is \$68,500. The major reason for considering the new wheel tax rate for the county is because the wheel tax rate is tied to the new statewide \$15 million bridge grant program that will be administered through the State Transportation Commission. The counties will now compete for grant funding and any county that has less than \$5 per wheel will be in a less competitive position for the grant award program called the Bridge Improvement Grant Program (BIG). This grant program replaces the counties Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funding. Both cities and counties will now be competing for funding from the BIG grant program. Grant County is rated number three in the state for the number of bridges to maintain. The county has 169 inspected bridges with a span of more than 20 feet in length. Of the 169 inspected bridges a total of 54 bridges have been determined to be structurally deficient or functionally obsolete. The county also has 50 uninspected bridges that have less than a 20 foot span that also need to be replaced with a structure or a culvert. The county's bridge crew has been replacing the smaller bridge structures with three structures scheduled per year to be done. The average replacement cost on these smaller structures is \$48,000 per structure or culvert. Maintenance on these smaller structures is the responsibility of the township if the structure is located on a township road. The cost to replace these smaller structures is the county's responsibility, minus \$500 paid by the township. The larger structures that have been funded through the Federal Aid Bridge Program and cost between \$310,000 to \$455,000 per structure. Grant County currently has 6 out of 32 large bridges on the STIP list that will have to compete for the BIG grant funds. If grant funds are not received, the county will have to fund the cost for the replacement of these bridges. The proposed change for the wheel tax will add \$4 a year for the person driving a car or pickup. A vehicle with 12 wheels places heavy loads on the roads and bridges and will pay a proportionate share of the costs going from \$16 to \$60 per vehicle. The wheel tax is a local tax and stays in the county.

Wheel Tax: After discussion, a motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to hold the first reading by title of Ordinance 2015-01, An Ordinance to enact a county wheel tax of \$5.00 per wheel with a maximum of \$60 (12 wheels) for each vehicle and to set July 7 at 9 AM for the second reading and public hearing for the wheel tax ordinance change. Motion carried 5-0.

Travel: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve travel expenses for Veterans Service Officer Scott Malimanek to attend annual training in Pierre. Motion carried 5-0.

Cell Phone Stipend: A discussion was held on a cell phone stipend request for the 4-H advisor. Currently, the county provides a stipend of \$30 per month for the Sheriff Deputies and the EM Director for the use of their personal cell phone for county work. The commission requested a cell phone policy be brought forth for review at the next meeting.

Shelter Grant: The commission has been notified by the Office of EM that the county's grant application to build a shelter building for the trailer park on the east edge of Milbank has been selected to be sent to FEMA for consideration of funding. FEMA has one year to select the projects to be funded. A letter from the design engineer for the shelter needs to be attached to the grant application according to the FEMA requirements. The county must select the engineer to work on the project if it is funded. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to approve Civil Design located in Brookings as the firm hired for the shelter grant project with Jeff Cooley named as the project engineer, provided the shelter grant receives funding from FEMA and the matching funding is secured from private donations. Motion carried 5-0.

Microphones: Motion by Mach and seconded by Stengel to approve the purchase of two additional microphones for the audio system in the courtroom from Mid States Audio for \$1395.00 including installation. Motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff: Kevin Owen was unable to attend due to court. The commission reviewed the statistics for the month of May for the Detention Center and Sheriff's Office as follows: Average Daily inmate population 4.74; Number of bookings 15; Work release money collected \$0.00; 24/7 Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) fees collected \$139.00; SCRAM (alcohol detecting bracelet) fees collected \$640.00; 24/7 PBT participants 1; SCRAM (Sobriety Program) participants 4; Calls for Service (does not include walk-in traffic) 86; Accidents investigated 9; Civil papers served 56; Cumulative miles traveled 5100; 911 calls responded to 76. **Vehicle:** Motion by Dummann and seconded by Stengel to declare surplus, to be junked, a 1996 Ford Explorer, VIN 1758, declared abandoned by Sheriff Owen. Motion carried 5-0.

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

1. Approve plats:

2015-16

Lot 1 OF AL SCHNECK ADDITION, located in the W ½ of Section 11, Township 120 North, Range 48 West of the 5th P.M., Grant County South Dakota, as described above and hereon be approved and accepted and the Chairman is hereby instructed to endorse on such plat this resolution and to certify the same. (Alban Twp)

Clayton Tucholke
Chairman, Board of Commissioners,
Grant County, South Dakota

2015-17

LOT 1 OF LEE RAILROAD ADDITION located in the S ½ S ½ of Section 21, Township 121 North, Range 50 West of the 5th P.M., Grant County South Dakota, as described above and hereon be approved and accepted and the Chairman is hereby instructed to endorse on such plat this resolution and to certify the same. (Kilborn Twp)

Clayton Tucholke
Chairman, Board of Commissioners,
Grant County, South Dakota

2015-18

LOT 1 OF SPIERING FARMS ADDITION located in the S ½ SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 17, Township 119 North, Range 47 West of the 5th P.M., Grant County South Dakota, as described above and hereon be approved and accepted and the Chairman is hereby instructed to endorse on such plat this resolution and to certify the same. (Vernon Twp)

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2. Declare surplus (3) four drawer gray file cabinets from the 4-H office, fixed asset numbers 1970, 1971, 1972

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Commissioner Mach reported the Fire trucks will be using 5th Ave to go east or west out of Milbank when responding to fires; reported the Planning and Zone Board will be listening to a speaker at their next meeting to learn about pond liners; reported on the visit of Governor Daugaard for Milbank's Capitol for a Day.

Correspondence: None

Claims: Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 5-0. A-OX WELDING, supplies 31.80; ARISTOTLE CORP, supplies 65.31; AVERA-MILBANK AREA HOSPITAL, BLAB 516.00; BERENS, supplies 445.12; BIEN PHARMACY, supplies 12.63; BILL MARKVE

CO, notary bond 60.00; BORNS, postage 1,020.51; BRENDA L HOLTQUIST, prof serv 105.00; BUTLER, parts 834.52; CCP INDUSTRIES, supplies 1,034.66; CENTER POINT, books 128.19; CENTURYLINK, 911 & phone 586.89; CONSOLIDATED READY MIX, hwy projects 20,539.63; MILBANK GLASS & MORE, repair 534.70; CRAIG DEBOER, car wash usage 50.94; CUMMINS CENTRAL POWER, maint 873.74; DELORIS J RUFER, lib rent 100.00; DESIGN ELECTRONICS, supplies 5.99; DRAGONS ARE TOO SELDOM, prof serv 550.00; DRUM CORP, parts 441.36; FISHER SAND & GRAVEL, hwy projects 740.03; G & K SERVICES, supplies 200.20; GLOBAL GOVT, equip 751.98; GRAJCZYK LAW OFFICE, ct appt atty 1,239.75; GRANT CO TREAS, postage 26.96; HARTMAN'S, prisoner supplies & groceries 586.11; HEDAHL, parts & supplies 80.64; HURKES, parts 104.00; INGRAM, books 859.64; INTER-LAKES COMM ACTION, worker 2,203.58; ITC, 911, hotspot & phone 1,293.19; JMS RENTALS, reading program rental 155.00; JOHNSON FEED, road salt 2,192.40; KELLY YANKTON VENTURES, rooms 510.00; KEVIN OWEN, reimburse 2,449.56; LABOLT DEVELOP, rent & internet 70.00; TRAPP PLUMBING, repair 1,124.86; LEWIS FAMILY DRUG, prisoner care 24.22; LIBRARY SALES, books 444.89; MAC'S, supplies 76.00; MCLEOD'S, supplies 155.43; MICROFILM IMAGING, equip rent 307.00; MIDCONTINENT, Lib internet 68.90; MILBANK LUMBER, parts 69.50; NANCY K. COPELAND, reimburse 4,250.00; NAT'L ASSOC EXTENSION, regis 450.00; NELSON LAW OFFICE, alloca 3,633.00; NEWMAN SIGNS, supplies 89.80; NORMAN GIESEN, parts 12.00; NORTHERN TRUCK, parts 663.90; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, nat gas 16.79; O'CONNOR CO, parts 13.30; OFFICE PEEPS, supplies 134.29; OTTER TAIL POWER CO, electricity 2,470.52; RADAR SHOP, maint 156.00; RC TECHNOLOGIES, 911 transport & tower rent 95.96; REED ELSEVIER, on line charges 695.00; RELIANCE, phone cards 500.00; RICHARD'S CARPET CLEANING, prof serv 430.00; ROBERTS CO SHERIFF, juvenile care 390.00; RUNNINGS, parts & supplies 285.62; SAFRAN, maint 5,388.00; SCHUNEMAN EQUIP, parts 75.32; SD DEPT OF REVENUE, BLAB 175.00; SD SECRETARY OF STATE, notary bond 30.00; SEEHAFER HARDWARE HANK, supplies 58.48; SHANE L LARSON, prof serv 1,500.00; ST WILLIAMS, prof serv 177.95; SD PROPERTY SURPLUS, equip & supplies 261.50; THE PENWORTHY CO, books 130.40; TREVETT'S CAFÉ, prisoner meals 693.00; TRUENORTH STEEL, culverts & blades 5,876.84; TWIN VALLEY TIRE, tire 139.87; TYLER COMPUTER, supplies 348.50; UPI PETROLEUM, ethanol & #2 diesel 11,110.55; US MERCHANT SYSTEMS, equip 217.27; VALLEY OFFICE, supplies 261.55; VALLEY SHOPPER, publishing 48.30; VAN DIEST SUPPLY, supplies 77.40; VERIZON, hot spot 38.52; VISA, books, gas & supplies 88.13; W W GRAINGER, supplies 86.05; WATERTOWN IRON & METAL, iron 242.03; WHETSTONE VALLEY ELECTRIC, electricity 433.59; WITTRICK & SON, garbage service 159.00; XEROX, copier rent 1,064.58. TOTALS: \$86,638.84.

SDACO, ROD Modernization fee 224.00; SD ATTORNEY GEN, SCRAM & 24/7 fee 710.00. TOTAL: \$934.00.

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

The next meeting will be July 7 and 21, 2015 at 8 AM. Motion by Mach and seconded by Stengel to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

Karen M. Layher, Grant County Auditor

Clayton Tucholke, Chairman, Grant County Comm.