

April 14, 2015

The meeting of the McCook County Commission was called to order in their Meeting Room by Chairman Ralph Dybdahl. Members present: Sheldon Butzke, Steve Gordon, Ron Scharffenberg, and Marc Dick.

Chairman Dybdahl led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Dybdahl called for approval of the Agenda. Auditor Sherman noted an addition, Brad Stiefvater. Motion made by Scharffenberg to add Brad Stiefvater, EDS Director, at 10:15 a.m. and approve the Agenda with addition noted. Second Gordon and motion carried.

The minutes from the March 24th meeting were sent to Board members for review prior to publication. Chairman Dybdahl called for approval of same. Motion made by Gordon to approve the minutes for publication. Second Scharffenberg and motion carried.

Commissioner Reports: none.

Hwy Supt, Mic Kreutzfeldt, presented a utility permit for approval. Motion made by Dick to approve a Telephone Utility Permit for Golden West Telecommunications. This project will be for the construction of one mile of fiber optic cable to serve a new cabinet at the intersection of 264th St. and 453rd Ave. Second made by Gordon and motion carried. Kreutzfeldt presented quotes for herbicides from Van Diest Supply, CHS Farmers Alliance and Hefty Seed Co. Following review, motion was made by Butzke to award the quotes to Van Diest Supply. Second made by Dick and motion carried. Kreutzfeldt and the Commission reviewed the 2015 Bridge Sufficiency Report

LIST OF CURRENT LANDOWNERS ADJACENT TO THE PROJECT (NAMES & ADDRESSES):

Jalmer, Mark & James Jorgenson
George Jorgenson Trust (Susan R. Janssen, Trustee)
Ramsey Swedish Baptist Church

AND WHEREAS, McCook County is obligated and hereby agrees to provide proper maintenance as required by the Federal Highway Act as amended and supplemented thereto for project after construction is completed and to regulate or cause to be regulated the installation of utility facilities within the limits of the right-of-way of the proposed project in accordance with State and Federal requirements.

AND WHEREAS, McCook County is obligated and hereby agrees to reimburse the State for all costs not reimbursable with Bridge Replacement Funds.

AND WHEREAS, the bridge is in need of replacement/rehabilitation for the following reasons:

1. The sufficiency rating is 53.5.
2. The bridge is or is not xxx located on a County or Township designated Minimum Maintenance Road.
3. The bridge is located on a Federal Aid Route , a school bus route xxx, a mail route xxx, a field to farm to market route xxx, a lake or recreation access route , or other (please specify) .
4. The load carrying capacity of the existing bridge can or cannot xxx be improved to carry legal loads by rehabilitation of the existing bridge.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the South Dakota Department of Transportation be and hereby is authorized and requested to program for construction, in accordance with the "Local Roads Plan" and the State's "Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges," the bridge replacement or rehabilitation project at the above described location. Items to be handled by State forces with Federal Participation will include hydraulic study review, foundations investigation (if necessary), plan reviews, and construction administration.

Estimated Cost of Project Including Engineering:	\$ <u>423,400</u>
Federal Share (80%):	\$ <u>338,720</u>
Local Share (20%):	\$ <u>84,680</u>

Proposed Year of Construction: 2018

Vote of Commissioners/Council: Yes 5 No 0

Dated at Salem, SD, this 14th day of April, 2015.

ATTEST:

County Auditor

Chairman

Hwy Supt Kreutzfeldt reported the following: bridge approached on 247th Ave will be milled in August, options to repair or replace the culvert on 248th St east of 444th Ave are being evaluated and current projects include pulling shoulders, graveling and MgCl project on 453rd Ave.

Motion made by Butzke to convene as Drainage Commission. Second made by Gordon and motion carried.

Drainage Administrator Kreutzfeldt presented a drainage permit applications, noting that downstream landowner signatures were obtained for 3 and he has signed off on them and the other 2 will need signature of Drainage Chairman:

D15-001 (amended 3/31)	Barney Roling	S100' SE4 25-103-56
D15-003	Dennis Ernster	SE4 2-102-55
D15-004	Jerry Gottlob	W2NE4 & E2NE4NW4 36-103-56
D15-005	Douglas Zelmer	NE4 4-104-55
D15-006	Dan, Don, Dale, Darrell Miles	SE4 15-104-53

Motion made by Butzke to approve permits 001 & 003 authorizing Chairman Dybdahl to sign same. Second made by Scharffenberg and motion carried.

The Board reconvened as Board of County Commissioners.

Brad Stiefvater, EDS Director, joined the meeting to inform the Commission of the bird flu that has struck, the number of turkeys that have been destroyed and the quarantine of birds coming/going. The continuation of the burning ban was also discussed.

Mark Norris, Sheriff, met with the Commission to ask if the red Ford pickup could remain in the law enforcement fleet as a back-up unit for his department.

Approval was given.

Carol Lauer, Treasurer, met with the Commission to discuss SDCL 10-6A-4, annual application for assessment freeze. Lauer noted that some individuals missed the annual submission date of April 1st, and she is petitioning the Commission of their behalf, to recalculate the taxes based upon the valuation the person would have received under this program and abate the difference in taxes. Motion made by Dick to allow the abatements and recalculate taxes. Second made by Scharffenberg and motion carried.

Suzy Kappes, Policy and Legal Services Director, UJS, and Scott Swier, Swier Law Firm, joined the meeting to answer any questions regarding the Rural Attorney Recruitment Program. Comm Dick noted that with the proximity to Sioux Falls, he feels that we'll not have trouble finding an attorney who would to come to McCook County. Kappes noted that Judge Bjorkman requested the initial visit; effort being to entice a graduating attorney to come to a rural community. Swier noted that in another county, his law firm subsidized a portion of the annual payment in order to make the program work and he really wants an office in Salem. Comm Dybdahl suggested 50/50 share between the County and Swier Law Firm. Comm Dick agreed. Swier agreed to this proposal; to see the program work. Dybdahl called for a motion. Motion made by Scharffenberg to participate in the SD Recruitment Assistance Pilot Program. This will commence on May 18, 2015 and conclude five years later. The County will be responsible for 35% of the incentive payment, or \$4379.76 per year for five years for a total contribution of \$21,898.80. First payment will not be made until 2016, following one year completion of the contract. Swier Law Firm will pay the County 50%, reducing the County's contribution to \$2189.88 per year. If the attorney doesn't fulfill his/her

obligation of five years, he/she will reimburse funds received. Second made by Butzke and motion carried.

Welfare Director Sherman, Mariann Oyen, Benefits Specialist, and the Commissioners reviewed and discussed Care of Poor cases along with payments received for Care of Poor and Court Appointed Attorney liens. One Notice of Hospitalization was received from Huron Regional Medical Center (2015-18). One Notice of Hospitalization was received from Sanford Medical Center (2015-17). Three Notices of Hospitalization were received from Avera McKennan Hospital (2015-19, 2015-20 & 2015-21). A Hospital Request for Payment from Avera Queen of Peace Health Services was denied because the individual hasn't applied for county assistance, therefore eligibility cannot be determined (2014-40). A Hospital Request for Payment from Sanford Medical Center was denied; individual has funds in savings account, expendable income at month end and it appears that health insurance would have been affordable (2015-07). Sherman noted that one individual appeared (2014-60, 2014-62, 2014-75 and 2015-02) for depositions held on April 7th and one was a no show (2014-43) and the third is checking into bankruptcy options (2014-48, 2014-53, 2014-54 and 2014-57), so did not appear.

Motion made by Butzke to declare fixed asset #819-A, Dell OptiPlex 330 Minitower (Windows XP) as surplus property as it is no longer suitable for purpose acquired. Second made by Gordon and motion carried.

Motion made by Dick to authorize Commissioner Butzke to sign Weed & Pest Fund Grant Application for 2015/2016. The amount of \$6100 has been approved. Second made by Gordon and motion carried.

No building permits were issued the month of March.

The March Law Enforcement Report was noted and filed.

The March Clerk of Courts Report was noted and filed.

The March Activity Report of the Southeast Enterprise Facilitation Project (SEFP) was noted and filed.

The February 16th minutes and the February Financial Statement, \$38253.45 balance, of the Hanson-McCook Regional Library were noted and filed.

Tracy Hofer, Dir of Equalization, joined the meeting to discuss Consolidated Boards and the equalization process.

A letter was received from Michael Houdyshell, Director, Dept of Revenue, informing the Board that due to recent turnover in the Dept Property Tax Division, the decision was made to focus on completing sales audits for every county. In order to ensure that this critical component of the equalization process was completed in a timely manner, compliance audits for the 2014 audit cycle were not performed. These audits will resume for the 2015 audit cycle.

Motion made by Scharffenberg, second Dick, and carried, to pay claims:

GENERAL FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 3/29/15 & 4/12/15: Commissioners 1461.55, mileage 113.59, 1461.55; Auditor 2717.43, 2717.43; Treasurer 3409.32, 3559.32; States Attorney 2186.54, 2186.54; Custodian 1139.04, 1139.04; Dir of Equalization 3358.17, 3358.17; Register of Deeds 2776.34, 2737.07; Veterans Service Officer 366.52, 366.52; Sheriff 6868.47, 5768.69; Contract Law 4053.86, 4203.86; Care of Poor 115.38, 115.38; Welfare \$269.04, 269.04; Community Health Nurse Secretary 1199.31, 1199.31; Extension Secretary 461.26, 461.26, travel expense 13.24; Weed Dept 330.77, 459.41; Drainage 307.69, 307.69; Planning & Zoning 192.31, 192.31. Unemployment Ins Div of

SD, 1st qtr unemployment contribution 2928.49; SD Remittance Center, lab services 35.00, A & B Business, monthly copier contract 30.04, office supplies 41.64; AutoEx, auto service 319.07; Avera Queen of Peace Health Services, blood alcohol service 142.00; Card Service Center, K9 supplies 40.79, computer supplies 698.26, law enforcement auto fuel & postage 345.88; Children's Home Society, Feb/March juvenile care 1084.93; City of Bridgewater, April ambulance appropriation 2015.28; Dust-Tex Service, dust mop rental 27.17; FedEx, shipping charges 11.30; Mike Fink, March expenses 388.52; Inter-Lakes Community Action, April CSW funds 682.67; Carol Johnson, court reporting 138.60; Lincoln County Treasurer, reimburse mental health evaluations 180.00; Marco, monthly copier contract 37.97; McCook Conservation District, 2nd qtr 2015 appropriation 3000.00; McCook County EMS, April ambulance appropriation 7242.46; McCook County Fair Board, 2015 appropriation 6400.00; McCook County Publishers, publishing 793.64; McCook County Treasurer, postage 538.49; McCormick Motors, 2015 Ford Explorer 27176.00, oil change 39.80; Microfilm Imaging System, equipment rental 452.00, film processing 52.35; MidAmerican Energy, utilities 445.53; Mitchell Clinic, prisoner care 41.79; Neve's Uniforms & Equipment, law enforcement uniform supplies 578.04; Office Depot, office supplies 736.24; Pennington County Jail, prisoner transport 119.25; Pioneer Designs, lettering 2015 Ford Explorer 350.00; RBS Sanitation, garbage service 56.25; Record Keepers Inc, vault box storage 19.25; Alicia Reif, mileage 79.55, cell phone reimbursement 30.00; Salem City, utilities 70.77; Salem Community Drug, office supplies 13.88; Salem Sales, law enforcement auto fuel 2867.20, towing vehicle-evidence 230.00; Salem Special, legal size paper 84.90, envelopes 176.00; Santel Communications, computer equipment, printer, slip

printers 8082.40; The Schneider Corp, 2nd qtr Beacon hosting 2265.00; SD Achieve, services for 4 residents 240.00; SDACC, CLERP assessment 1478.01; SDACO, spring workshop registration 525.00; SDAE4-HP, conference registration 20.00; Southeastern Behavioral Healthcare, 2nd qtr allotment 1404.50; Brenda Stadel, website design changes 50.00; Steamway Cleaning & Restoration, water cleanup 6332.03; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, supplies 12.63; T & C's Pit Stop, law enforcement auto fuel 160.00; Tinan Smith & Bucher, court appt atty for Sally Ann Dykes 1351.15, for Jacob Gilbertson 483.92, for Justin D Kohrt 583.11; Total Stop Food Store, law enforcement auto fuel 299.99; Triotel Communications, telephone/internet service 874.93; Michael Unke, court appt atty for Sebastian Diede 150.77, for Kelly Poncelet 236.12; Verizon Wireless, cell phone service 54.85, internet modem service 212.11, two phones 238.22; Xcel Energy, utilities 776.33; Zapp Hardware, supplies & labor 162.10.

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 3/29/15 & 4/12/15: Hwy Dept 17743.09, 17574.96. Unemployment Ins Div of SD, 1st qtr unemployment contribution 890.86; BlueTarp Financial, parts 90.63; Butler Machinery, parts 978.20; BX Civil & Construction, parts 210.00; Card Service Center, car wash 12.72; Central Farmers Coop, lp bottles 14.00; Dakota Riggers & Tools, lifting straps 180.00; Gessner Welding & Repair, supplies & labor 898.00; Governors Inn, lodging 85.00; Heiman Fire Equipment, water hydrant tool 21.75; McCook County Publishers, publishing 121.94; McCormick Motors, fuel pump control module 125.31; Michael Todd & Company, supplies 500.91; MidAmerican Energy, utilities 374.30; Mitchell Concrete Products, supplies 245.25; Montrose City, water for bridges 27.42; Northwestern Energy, utilities 17.85; Pomp's Tire Service, tire lube 62.50; Productivity Plus Account, Teflon washer

75.14; Puthoff Repair, supplies 48.46; RBS Sanitation, garbage service 56.25; Salem City, utilities 75.07, water for bridges 7.38; Salem Lumber, supplies, 16.36; Servall Towel & Linen, towel & mat rental, 68.79; Sioux Equipment, portable tank & fill 395.01; Southeastern Electric, utilities 23.00; Spencer Quarries, chips for sealing 9000.00; Town of Spencer, water for bridges 23.00; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, repairs & supplies 713.77; Triotel Communications, telephone/internet service 100.92; TrueNorth Steel, culverts 1391.55; VanderHaag's Inc, seat 200.00; Verizon Wireless, cell phone service 63.87; Xcel Energy, utilities 645.81; Zapp Hardware, supplies 33.94.

911 EMERGENCY REPORTING SYSTEM FUND: Golden West

Telecommunications, 911 telephone service, 371.72; Triotel Communications, 911 telephone service, 235.20; Zapp Hardware, supplies & labor 16.77.

EMERGENCY & DISASTER SERVICES FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 3/29/15

& 4/12/15: EDS Director 1269.16, 2209.54. Unemployment Ins Div of SD, 1st qtr unemployment contribution 68.02; Interstate All Battery, batteries 33.40; Brad Stiefvater, mileage 138.38, postage 49.00, cell phone reimbursement 85.00; Triotel Communications, telephone/internet service 91.78.

24/7 SOBRIETY FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 3/29/15 & 4/12/15: Sheriff

Secretary/Dispatcher 96.15, 96.15. Unemployment Ins Div of SD, 1st qtr unemployment contribution 5.19.

PAYROLL CONTRIBUTIONS – ALL FUNDS: 3/1/15 & 4/12/15: Dir of IRS,

county share of FICA 2676.61, 2850.19, Medicare 625.97, 666.62; SD Retirement System, county share of retirement contribution 2642.03, 2945.45; Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield, county share of health insurance premium 5040.97, 5040.97.

The Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer for the month of March, 2015:
deposits in banks, \$3,120,637.98; cash to deposit, \$1,443.17; CC payments, \$1,082.23;
checks to deposit, \$23,165.60; Cash Items (postage) \$538.49; Treasurer's Cash,
\$1,131.51; Register of Deeds, \$450.00; Sheriff, \$500.00; CD's, \$800,000.00. The total
deposits on hand: \$3,948,948.98.

The meeting adjourned subject to call.

Dated this 14^h day of April, 2015.

Ralph Dybdahl

Chairman, McCook
County Commission

ATTEST:

Geralyn Sherman _____
Auditor, McCook County