

The Roberts County Commissioners met in regular session with Don Carlson, Dennis Jensen, Faye Johnston, Tom Vergeldt and Tim Zempel present. Chairman Jensen presiding. Jason Deutsch-Sisseton Courier on live stream.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Vergeldt to approve the agenda as presented and the minutes from October 13, 2020. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jensen called for public comment. Jensen had visited with Truman Nelson regarding his request to Commissioners last week regarding the placement of buffalo at Wilmot rest area. Nelson had been contacted by the state with news of having the OK to the Wilmot rest area.

Commissioners are requiring anyone visiting the Commissioner room are required to wear a mask.

EMERGENCY MANAGER

Jim Pearson met with Commissioners and discussed lifting the burn ban that was put into place last week. After discussion, motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to lift burn ban. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE

Heather Nelson met with Commissioners and submitted report for July to October, 2020. Nelson also gave flu shots to employees.

STATES ATTORNEY

Kay Nikolas and Dylan Kirchmeier met with Commissioners and discussed upcoming jury trial with jury selection to be held at Fine Arts Center.

Kirchmeier discussed subscribing to West Law for his computer at a cost of \$193.00 per month (this will eliminate paying for pocket parts for law books). After discussion, motion by Vergeldt, seconded by Zempel to authorize Jensen to sign agreement. Motion carried.

LANDFILL

Randy Deutsch met with Commissioners and discussed the issues that were brought up by the haulers at October 13 meeting. Deutsch will do research on how other landfills charges and bring information to Commissioners next week. No decision today.

HIGHWAY

Pat Stickland met with Commissioners and discussed upcoming pre-con for bridge replacement on Eastman Road. A notice will be placed in the newspapers regarding road closing.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Vergeldt to approve the following Snow Policy and Dumping Snow Policy as follows-motion carried:

SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

Roberts County does not have a bare roads snow removal policy; therefore, the traveling public may encounter snowy and icy road conditions. The Roberts County Commissioners hereby issue a letter of guidance directing the County Highway Superintendent on snow removal operations, with limited week-end snow removal. The Superintendent may use his discretion in maintaining higher priority routes; also, using his judgment in snow removal operations he deems necessary under different conditions and to address hazards as he is made aware of them.

NORMAL SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS: Plowing: After 3" snow fall, high winds

Sanding: Steep hills, Intersections, Sharp curves

After a heavy snow fall, existing emergencies take priority over opening snow routes.

SNOW PLACED ON ROADWAY

County residents are to avoid adding to the hazards of wintertime driving by not placing snow from their driveway onto public roads and right-of-way. South Dakota Codified Law 31-32-3.1 prohibits obstructing or causing to be obstructed any public highway or right-of-way and violation is a Class 1 Misdemeanor. Piles of snow left on or near the road can freeze into a solid mass creating a hazardous situation for vehicles and snowplows. Accident and damages caused by snow piles placed in the roadway may result in liability to the property owner. Piles of snow increase the chances of drifting snow onto the roadway. Property owners found in violation will be given notice and shall remove the snow. If the snow is not removed within 48 hours after notification, the County will remove the snow and the property owner will be billed.

ROBERTS COUNTY WILL STRICTLY ENFORCE THIS POLICY.

Adopted by the County Commissioners on February 19, 2019.

Approved on October 20, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to convene into Executive Session at 10:38 pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1(1) to discuss personnel. Motion carried. Jensen declared meeting back into regular session at 10:40.

SHERIFF

Barry Hillestad met with Commissioners and discussed total inmates 48. Hillestad discussed DTN has been ordered and he is waiting for delivery.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Vergeldt to convene into Executive Session at 10:57 pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1(1) to discuss personnel. Motion carried. Jensen declared meeting back into regular session at 11:10.

WELLMARK TELECONFERENCE

Theresa Kocer-Wellmark was on teleconference and reviewed 2021 renewal rates. No decision today.

LEGISLATIVE AUDIT TELECONFERENCE

Glenda Goens-State Auditor was on teleconference and Mark Moen-Treasurer in attendance. Goens reviewed the 2017 & 2018 audit findings. Motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to authorize Jensen to sign letter to Legislative Audit regarding the audit. Motion carried.

PLAT/RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to approve the following resolutions previously approved by Planning and Zoning-motion carried:

RESOLUTION 2020-46

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Ron Foltz Addition in Government Lot 5 Section 1-126-49W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of October, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2020-47

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Sumac Meadow 2 located in Gov't Lot 2 Section 19-123-48W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of September, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2020-48

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Lot D, Lot E & Lot F in Block 4, Shores of Timber Ridge Subdivision, located in Government Lot 2, Government Lot 3 and the NE4SW4 Section 19-123-48W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of October, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2020-49

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Lot A in Block 17, Shores of Timber Ridge Subdivision located in NW4SW4 & SW4NW4 Section 19-123-48W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of October, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2020-50

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Sumac Ridge 3 in the SW4NW4 in Section 19-123-48W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of September, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2020-51

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Shorty's Farm located in the NE4 of Section 31-127-51W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of October, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2020-52

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Lots 4 and 5 Endres Addition in the W2 of Section 33-122-52W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of October, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor

Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2020-53

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled that the plat of Endres Trust Addition in the W2 of Section 3-122-52W of 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 20th day of October, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dawn Sattler-Roberts County Auditor

Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to approve variance for Eric & Karla Cotton in Lots 7 & 8, Block 1 Linden Beach. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Carlson to convene into Executive Session at 12:40 pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1(1) to discuss personnel. Motion carried. Jensen declared meeting back into regular session at 1:01.

CLAIMS

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Carlson to pay the following claims-motion carried:
COMMISSIONER-Utilities/Venture Comm 44.18, Total 44.18; ELECTION-Supplies & Material/Election Systems & Software 5095.00, Total 5095.00; JUDICIAL-Witness Fee/Wayne Anderson 20.42, Carol Brown 26.30, Devonna Goodteacher 20.42, RCT/Rochelle Halfaday 25.00, RCT/Alisha Haug 20.00, RCT/Dallas Goodteacher 20.42, RCT/Detrea Adams 41.00, RCT/Sylvester Goodteacher Jr 20.42, Rochelle Halfaday 82.04, Total 276.02; AUDITOR-Repairs & Maint/Executive Mgmt Finance 35.50, Utilities/Venture Comm 98.90, Rentals/Xerox 84.53, Supplies & Materials/Xerox 43.18, Total 262.11; TREASURER-Travel & Conf/Cardmember Serv 36.00, Utilities/Venture Comm 100.38, Total 136.38; STATES ATTORNEY-Utilities/Venture Comm 194.72, Total 194.72; COURT APP ATTY-Prof Services/Bratland Law 688.70, Delaney, Nielsen & Sannes 300.70, Mitch Vilhauer 2957.36, Total 3946.76; GOV BLDG-Supplies & Material/Cardmember Serv 246.77, Momar 337.70, Repairs & Maint/Keller Repairs 61.88, Thompson Mechanical 4427.41, Venture Comm 92.25, Rentals/Venture Comm 100.00, Total 5266.01; DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION-Utilities/Venture Comm 128.53, Rental/Xerox 89.92, Supplies & Materials/Xerox 11.65, Total 230.10; REG OF DEEDS-Utilities/Venture Comm 106.79, Rental/Xerox 86.79, Total 193.58; VETERAN SERV-Supplies & Materials/Dataspec Inc 449.00, Xerox 11.98, Utilities/Venture Comm 100.75, Rental/Xerox 78.92, Total 640.65; SHERIFF-Supplies & Materials/Amazon 37.99, Wex Bank 2422.06, Total 2460.05; JAIL-Care of Prisoner/Amazon 2588.95, Dollar General 244.22, Lewis Drug 243.71, Pennington Co Jail 343.77, Prairie Lakes Hosp 85.00, Summit Food Serv 7861.17, Teals Market 58.92, Tri State Bldg 114.83, Valley Soft Water 172.50, Xerox Corp 70.89, utilities/Lakes Gas 1015.87, Reliance Telephone 914.75, Venture Comm 1269.70, Rentals/Valley Soft Water 100.00, Xerox 133.18, Repairs & Maint/Tri State Bldg 916.00, Total 16133.46; CORONER-Prof Fees/Clinical Lab of Black Hills 2250.00, Total 2250.00; MENTALLY ILL/Services/Linc Co Treasurer 153.45, Total 153.45; EXTENSION-Utilities/Venture Comm 122.07, Total 122.07; WEED-Supplies & Materials/Jemm's Fuel 218.32, Utilities/Venture Comm 47.43, Total 265.75; HYW & BRIDGE-Group Ins/Jeff Smith 5299.42, Total 5299.42; 911 TELEPHONE-Supplies/Century Link 400.65, Total 400.65; EMERGENCY MGT-Travel & Conv/Holiday Inn 335.00, Utilities/Venture Comm 210.55, Total 545.55; LANDFILL-Supplies/Ace 21.99, VIG Lumber 1524.60, Utilities/Venture Comm 116.80, Total 1663.39; BID BOND DEPOSIT-deposits 121.70, Total 121.70; DEL TAX PMT-RCT or Joshua Raguse 864.14, Total 864.14; SHERIFF AGENCY FUND-gun Permits/Sec of State 57.00, Total 57.00; SALES TAX-Sept 1042.68, Total 1042.68; Road & Bridge Payroll 30147.74, Landfill Payroll 10739.27, Total 40887.01. TOTAL 88551.83. Longevity Raise-Jameson Dahl 1 year 16.72-16.97.

ADJOURN

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Vergeldt to adjourn until October 20, 2020. Motion carried. Adjourned at 1:02.