

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 Zempel to approve the agenda as presented and the minutes from October 20, 2020. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jensen called for public comment. There was none.

COURTHOUSE MAINTENANCE

Doug Karst-Custodian received an estimate from Amped for installation of wall heater for probation office for \$195.00. After discussion, motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to accept quote. Motion carried.

STATES ATTORNEY

Kay Nikolas and Dylan Kirchmeier met with Commissioners. Kirchmeier discussed he is working on quit claim deeds for the sale of county gravel pits.

Nikolas discussed upcoming jury trials.

LANDFILL

Randy Deutsch met with Commissioners and discussed the information he received from other Landfills regarding their policies on roll offs.

Deutsch discussed he would like to get estimates for extending the roof over entrance door to the landfill office. Commissioners gave OK to get quotes.

HIGHWAY

Pat Stickland met with Commissioners and discussed pre-con for bridge replacement on Eastman Road will take place on November 5 in the Annex building.

Stickland discussed drainage on Kastner Slough in Norway Township. The trench is still open and he would like to see drainage tile installed. After discussion, Stickland will visit with landowners to get signed agreements for this to be completed.

Motion by Vergeldt, seconded by Carlson to authorize Chairman to sign 2021 Bridge Improvement Grant for Preliminary Engineering for Structure 55-181-170, Structure 55-115-180 and 55-140-397. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to convene into Executive Session at 10:40 pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1(1) to discuss personnel. Motion carried. Jensen declared meeting back into regular session at 10:47.

COUNTY SURPLUS PROPERTY

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Carlson to accept counter bid of \$517.50 from Todd Whempner for county gravel pit in Springdale Township. Motion carried.

WELLMARK BLUE CROSS INSURANCE

After discussion, motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to select 2021 rates for health insurance as Blue Select Modified plan (current plan no longer available). Motion carried.

WEED

Notice was received the District Weed meeting to be held in Redfield on November 4, 2020 has been cancelled due to Coronavirus. A zoom meeting will be held-Leland Larsen and Tim Zempel will be on the zoom meeting.

LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

Commissioners sent a written response to Department of Legislative Audit for the 2017-2018 Audit findings.

OTHER

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Carlson to authorize Jensen to sign Notice and Admission of Service of Summons and Complaint from Delaney/Nielsen/Sannes Office. Motion carried.

HOLIDAY HOURS

Governor Noem sent a letter for November and December holiday hours for State employees. After discussion, motion by Zempel, seconded by Vergeldt to close the Courthouse, States Attorney and Community Health Nurse on Friday, November 27 in observance of Thanksgiving with employees taking vacation time for the day. The Christmas Holiday will follow the Personnel Policy with the offices closing at 12:00 on Thursday, December 24. Motion carried.

ABATEMENT/REFUND

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to approve refund for David & Sheila Pierce for \$980.36 due to assessor error. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to convene into Executive Session at 10:48 pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1(1) to discuss personnel. Motion carried. Jensen declared meeting back into regular session at 11:04.

At this time Chairman Jensen left the meeting and Vice Chairman Tim Zempel took over the meeting.

COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT

Three letters of interest were received for Commissioner District 4 which would become vacant January 2021. After discussion and consideration, motion by Vergeldt, seconded by Johnston to appoint Dennis Jensen for the 2 year term. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Vergeldt to pay the following claims-motion carried:
COMMISSIONER-Unemployment Comp 13.26, Total 13.26; JUDICIAL-Witness Fee/Eric Wegehaupt 51.68, Floyd Beaudreau 60.08, Gayle Lotzer 54.20, Johanna Heinecke 53.36, Kapana Sing 50.84, Paul Hamling 64.28, Samuel Fonder 88.64, Tanya Wieser 71.00, Total 494.08; AUDITOR-Supplies & Materials/Farm & Home Publish 650.00, Unemployment Comp 35.82, Total 685.82; TREASURER-Other/SD State Treas 382.95, Total 382.95; STATES ATTORNEY-Unemployment Comp/Reemployment Assistance Div 38.17, Total 38.17; COURT APP ATTY-Prof Services/Delaney, Nielsen & Sannes 1833.30, Doody Law 3010.60, Total 4843.90; GOV BLDG-Unemployment Comp/Reemployment Assist 3.56, Total 3.56; DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION-Unemployment Comp/Reemployment Assist 24.59, Total 24.59; REG OF DEEDS-Unemployment Comp/Reemployment Assist 1.82, Total 1.82; VETERAN SERV-Unemployment Comp/Reemployment Assist 60.42, Total 60.42; SHERIFF-Unemployment Comp/Reemployment Assist 17.25, Supplies & Materials/Interstate Battery 184.67, Total 201.92; JAIL-Care of Prisoner/Cardmember Serv 316.37, Galls 250.79. Summit Food Serv 3383.66, Summit Food Serv 905.13, Furniture/Cardmember Serv 1880.90, Unemployment/Reemployment Assist 166.56, Total 6903.41; DISPATCHERS-Unemployment Comp/Reemployment Assist 64.54; NURSE-Unemployment comp/Reemployment Assist 5.22, Total 5.22; WEED-Utilities/Otter Tail Power 24.89, Total 24.89; HYW & BRIDGE-Repairs/Aberdeen Titan 2003.29, Auto Value 776.41, Butler Machine 51.44, SD Dept Trans 10604.37, Supplies & Materials/Auto Value 33.47, Bituminous Paving Inc 7985.60, RDO Equip 103.38, Vig Lumber 4601.53, Special Bridge Fund/Clark Engineering 600.00, Utilities/Dakota Waste 171.02, Ottertail Power Co 171.02, Venture Comm 221.48, Verizon 54.61, Unemployment Ins/Reemployment Assist .94, Rentals/Xerox 142.31, Total 27424.85; PRINCIPAL DEBT- Hwy/Principal/Kinetic Leasing 34774.94, Total 34774.94; 911 TELEPHONE-Unemployment/Reemployment Assistance 6.27, Total 6.27; EMERGENCY MGMT-Unemployment/Reemployment Assistance 12.48, Meeting/Lyle Carl 72.53, Total 85.01; JAIL-Unemployment/Reemployment Assistance 25.77, Total 25.77; LANDFILL-Supplies/Butler Supp 21946.16, Twin Valley Tire 34.59, Unemployment/Reemployment Assistance 47.21, Total 22027.96; DEL TAX PMT-RCT or Devon Hanson 878.98, Diantha Herbert 4.51, Elizabeth Eberbach 200.00, Leah Biggs 831.70, Richard Renelt 21.04, Robert Appel 1807.51, William Nigg 95.46, Total 3839.20 SHERIFF AGENCY FUND-Gun Permits/SD Sec of State 21.00, Total 21.00. Total 101953.55

ADJOURN

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Vergeldt to adjourn until Thursday, November 5, 2020. Motion carried. Adjourned at 11:09.