

The Roberts County Commissioners met at 9:00 am in regular session with Tim Zempel, Tom Vergeldt, Faye Johnston Don Carlson and Dennis Jensen present. Chairman Jensen presiding. Jason Deutsch-Sisseton Courier livestream.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to approve the agenda as presented and the October 25, 2022 minutes. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier met the Commissioners and discussed the staff shortage versus the prisoner ratio within the jail system and reasons for rising Court Appointed Attorney fees.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Robert Doody-Public Defender explained how and why he is/is not appointed to certain cases.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Johnston to appoint Christopher Hicks as Veterans Service Officer effective November 1 at \$15.00 per hour. All voted aye, motion carried.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Johnston to approve the purchase of Marshall & Swift Computer Program for the Equalization office at the annual cost of \$1,234.20. All voted aye, motion carried.

HIGHWAY

Stickland discussed county road issues and other concerns.

LOCAL NO. 49

The County has received a letter of notification from Local NO. 49 notifying the opening of the Agreement for changes and modifications.

FUEL QUOTES

Fuel quotes were submitted as follows: CHS - Sisseton shop ethanol 3.09, VIG LUMBER-Landfill #2 diesel 4.39, New Effington shop #2 diesel 4.39, Sisseton shop ethanol 3.39, Summit shop #2 diesel 4.39. Landfill #1 Diesel 4.69, New Effington shop #1 Diesel 4.69 Summit Shop 31 Diesel 4.69. Motion by Zempel, seconded by Vergeldt to accept low quote of 4.39 for #2 Diesel and \$4.69 #1 Diesel from Vig Lumber and \$3.09 for Ethanol from CHS. All vote aye, motion carried.

PLATS/RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION 2022-50

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular assembled that the plat of Parcel 9A & 9B located in Parcel 9 on the Parcel 1 thought 22 in the W1/2 of Section 6, T125N, R49W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 1st day of November, 2022 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2022-51

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular assembled that the plat of Koepp Addition located in the SW1/4SE1/4 of section 6, T127N, R51W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 1st day of November, 2022 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2022-52

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular assembled that the plat of Lots A & B of JC Gaikowski Second Addition located in the NE1/4Sw1/4, Govt Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Section 8, T122N, R50W & Govt. Lots 1 and 2 in Section 31, T123N, R50W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 1st day of November, 2022 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2022-53

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular assembled that the plat of Lot B in block 15, Shores of Timbre Ridge Subdivision located in the NW1/4SW1/4 in Section 19, T123N, R48W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 1st day of November, 2022 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Dennis Jensen-Commissioner Chairman

SHERIFF

Tyler Appel-sheriff met with the Commissioners and submitted prisoner count of 71. Discussed staff resignations and current shortages.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Carlson to convene into Executive Session at 10:25 to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Jensen declared meeting back into regular session at 11:30.

WAGE SCALE REVISION

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Vergeldt to change pay scale for current and new hire Correctional Officers to \$20.00 per hour effective October 26, 2022 eliminating all longevity increases. This is due to severe staff shortages and the possibility of not meeting staff to prisoner ratio requirements thus increasing the threat of having to close the jail. All voted aye, motion carried.

COURTHOUSE EMPLOYEES

The Commissioners asked all available courthouse employees to attend the meeting so an explanation could be given as to why the decision regarding wage scale change was given to correctional officers at the jail. Sheriff Apple also explained the reasons behind his request. Courthouse employees in attendance were as follows: Jay Tasa, Sue Anderson, Lisa Skog, Patty Johnson, Kim Schroeder, Mark Moen, Wendy Stickland, Vickie Schnaunaman, Kristi Fritz, Mollie Kent and Pam Foss.

OTHER

Register of Deeds fees for October were submitted in the amount of \$7704.00.

CLAIMS

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Vergeldt to pay the following claims: COMMISSIONER-Publishing/Britton Journal 119.95, Reporter & Farm 648.00, Rosholt Review 419.48, Supplies & Mat/SD Retirement 45.00, Total 1232.43; ELECTION-Publishing/Rosholt Review 376.90, Other/Rosholt Review 130.50, Total 507.40; JUDICIAL-Supplies & Materials/Reserve Acct 320.00, Total 320.00; AUDITOR-Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 380.00, Total 380.00; TREASURER-Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 460.00, Total 460.00; STATES ATTY-Furn & Equipment/Doug Karst 240.00, Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 20.00, Xerox 98.08, Rentals/Xerox 67.24, Total 425.32; COURT APP ATTY-Prof Services/Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 3732.30, Doody Law 11000.00, Total 14732.30; GOV BLDG-Other/First Savings Bank 31.35, Total 31.35; DIR OF EQUAIZATION-Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 280.00, Other/Rosholt Review 130.60, Total 410.60; REG OF DEEDS-Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 20.00, Total 20.00; VETERANS SERV - Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 20.00, Total 20.00; SHERIFF - Drug Dog Exp/Zach Angerhofer 66.02, Supplies & Mat/CHS 2371.00, Reserve Acct 300.00, Auto/Furn/Equip/Pomps Tire Serv 1367.46, Verizon 160.04, Total 4264.52; JAIL-Care of Prisoner/American AED 120.00, Samantha Enwiller 57.51, Summit Food 4518.16, Other/SD Retirement 4586.52, Total 9282.19; NURSE-Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 100.00, Total 100.00; MENTALLY ILL-Services/Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 150.00, Total 150.00; EXTENSION-Postage/Reserve Acct 20.00, Total 20.00; WEED - Supplies & Mat/Auto Value 116.90, Rosholt Review 20.00, Twin Valley Tire 385.76, Publishing/Rosholt Review 130.50, Total 653.16; PLANNING & ZONING-Supplies & Mat/Reserve Acct 60.00, Publishing/Rosholt Review 130.50, Total 190.50; HWY & BRIDGE-Travel & Conf/Best Western Hotel 273.00, Total 273.00; LANDFILL-Publishing/Rosholt Review 130.50, Total 130.50; EMERGENCY MGMT-Homeland Security/Vantek Comm 10381.76, Supplies/Vantek Comm 126.37, Total 10508.13; DEL TAX-Payments 281.35, Total 281.35; PAYROLL-Commissioner 7535.32, Auditor 11072.71, Treasurer 12244.15, States Atty 15187.33, Gov Bldg 4308.10, Dir of Equal 14926.73, Reg of Deeds 8169.34, Sheriff 46833.21, Jail 94008.94, Dispatcher 35873.84, Juv Det 2914.01, Nurse 3783.36, WIC 3448.59, Extension 3279.81, Weed 846.39, Road & Bridge 25793.13, 911 Tele 10752.44, Emergency Mgmt 1078.64, 24/7 Sobriety 1921.54, Landfill 9374.80, Total 313352.38. TOTAL 357745.13. New Hire: Shauna Breece-Jail-\$16.26, Casey Flute-Jail-16.26, Nikki Crawford-Jail-16.26, Matthew Mattson-Landfill-17.22.

ADJOURN

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Johnston to adjourn until Tuesday, November 8, 2022.
Motion carried. Adjourned at 12:10.