

July 9, 2024

The meeting of the McCook County Commission was called to order in their Meeting Room by Chairman Charles Liesinger.

Members present: Chuck Mehlbrech, Steve Gordon, and Dean Koch. Member absent: Marc Dick.

Chairman Liesinger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Liesinger called for approval of the agenda. Motion Koch to approve the agenda as posted. Second Gordon. Motion carried.

The minutes from the June 24<sup>th</sup> & June 25<sup>th</sup> meetings were sent to Board members for review prior to publication. Motion Gordon to approve the minutes for publication. Second Koch. Motion carried.

Public comment: none.

Commissioner Reports: Comm Koch had a call regarding the bridge on W side of Montrose City near the school.

Conflict of Interest: none noted.

Val Krempges, Hwy Administrative Assistant, met with the Commission in the absence of Hwy Supt Raap. The culvert has been installed on Co Rd 10B and road is open. Road crew is cleaning debris out of road ditches and hopes to resume chip sealing next week.

Motion Mehlbrech, second Koch, and carried, to pay claims: GENERAL FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 7/16/24: Commissioners 2079.80 mileage 186.66; Auditor 6021.55; Treasurer 4611.56; States Attorney 3598.21; Custodian 1390.90; Dir of Equalization 4727.81; Register of Deeds 3512.80; Veterans Service Officer 325.20; Sheriff 14611.65; Contract Law 9316.26; new hire: Todd Obele, 6/24/2024, \$20.66/hour, Uncertified Officer; Care of Poor 228.16; Welfare 289.24; Community Health Nurse Secretary 1521.10; 4-H Youth Assistant & PT help 1613.20; Weed 136.83; Drainage 129.64; Planning & Zoning 628.20. Grand Jury, fees & mileage, 524.46; SD Dept of Revenue, SD Developmental Center-Redfield, 60.00; Reemployment Assistance Div of SD, 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr reemployment contribution, 576.98; A&B Business, monthly copier contract 76.65; Affordable Auto Body, repairs & supplies, 801.20; Alternative HR, July services less credit, 4569.50; Alvine Law Firm, court appointed for Elizabeth Dubray 600.47, Lori Porter 1085.94, for Jessica Moran 781.50, for LeRoy Robinson 1117.47, for Joelyn Herbranson 1278.47, for Geri Boadwine 1022.30 and 631.30; Auto Value, screws, 4.49; AutoEx, repairs and supplies, 1034.71; Avera Medical Group Sioux Falls, new hire physical, 88.00; Avera Queen of Peace Hospital, blood alcohols, 822.00; Blindert Insurance Agency, July food pantry rent, 200.00; Card Service Center, office supplies, postage, lodging, gas, dog food, 2234.35; Central Farmers Coop, lawn mower gas, 275.74; Century Business Products, monthly copier contracts 471.73; Certified Languages, interpreter services, 34.65; Chesterman Company, water, 108.00; City of Bridgewater, July ambulance appropriation 3866.67; Corporate Translation, translation services 16.88; Dakota Data Shred, shredding service, 128.18; Mike Fink, June expenses 406.54; Gordon Flesch Company, monthly copier contract 30.00; Inter-Lakes Community Action, CSW funds, 1101.58; Iron Wheel, courthouse repairs, 857.55; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, vest-uniform, 1951.44; Lake County Sheriff, jail services, 180.00; Lincoln County Auditor, mental health hearing, 48.00; Marshall & Swift, handbook, 389.95; McCook Conservation District, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter allocation, 3750.00; McCook County EMS, July ambulance appropriation, 13831.82; McCook County Treasurer, postage, 108.95; McCormick Motors, vehicle repairs and supplies, 1805.96; McLeod's Printing, 2 chair mats, 175.98; Meyer Motor, oil change, 69.88; Microfilm Imaging, scanning equipment rent, 626.00; Mitchell Clinic, prisoner care, 196.00; Morgan Theeler LLP, court appointed attorney for Branden Stone 706.24, for Derek Fischer 1252.21, for Kristopher Ratheke 128.61, for Matthew Bieganowski, 1291.50; New Century Press, publishing, 748.13; Paul's Towing, 2022 Ford Explorer, 240.00; Presto-X, food pantry pest control, 48.71; Ramkota Hotel-Pierre, conference lodging, 154.00; RBS Sanitation, garbage services-food pantry 106.00 courthouse 109.00; Salem City, utilities, 136.96; Sanford Health, autopsy, 2526.00; Schneider Geospatial, parcel maintenance, 7056.00; Randy Schwader, mileage & meals for conference, 247.58; SD Achieve dba LifeScape, service for 6 residents, 360.00; SD Public Health Laboratory, lab services, 165.00;

SDAAO, 2024 Assessor Class registration, 500.00; Tim Simmermon, meal reimbursement, 64.51; Southeastern Behavioral, quarterly allotment, 1420.50; Tech Solutions, managed IT services, 3530.00; Triotel Communications, telephone/internet service 691.38; Verizon Wireless, cell phone service 469.10, I-pad service, 40.01; Xcel Energy, utilities, 962.50; Zapp Hardware, courthouse supplies 69.93.

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 7/16/24: Hwy Dept 26258.76 cell phone reimbursement 225.00. Reemployment Assistance Div of SD, 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr reemployment contribution, 235.91; Aaron Swan & Associates, soil testing, 640.00; Appeara, mat & towel rent, 83.80; Auto Value, parts & supplies, 141.41; Butler Machinery, rim, 282.74; Central Farmers Coop, unleaded gas, LP, & tire repair, 26092.24; Century Business Products, monthly copier contract, 133.35; Chesterman Company, water, 50.00; Gessner Welding & Repair, special bolt broom, 6.00; IMEG Corp, engineering design 21900.68; Iron Wheel Sales & Service, AC repairs, 206.25; Jebro Inc, demurrage, 200.00; Knife River, asphalt, 963.00; Maynards Salem, supplies, 21.54; MidAmerican Energy, utilities, 9.25; Pomp's Tire Service, steel & tires, 984.00; PowerPlan, parts & supplies, 2683.48; Puthoff Sales & Service, parts and supplies, 49.13; RBS Sanitation, garbage service 81.00; Salem City, utilities 200.03; Salem Lumber, plywood, 50.16; SDACC, county convention registration, 200.00; Southeastern Electric, utilities, 38.41; Spencer Quarries, chips, 19517.21; Stan Houston Equipment, supplies, 418.00; Transource Truck and Equipment, roller-trough, 2518.63; Triotel Communications, telephone/internet service 103.29; Truenorth Steel Inc., galvanized steel culverts, 22525.50; Kenneth Tschetter, CDL written tests, 48.00; Xcel Energy, utilities, 398.62; Zapp Hardware, supplies, 122.98.

911 SERVICE FUND: Golden West Telecommunications, 911 telephone service, 200.00; Triotel Communications, telephone service, 177.20.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 7/16/24: EDS Director 1497.26. Reemployment Assistance Div of SD, 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr reemployment contribution, 36.10; Triotel Communications, telephone & internet service, 144.34.

24/7 SOBRIETY FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 7/16/24: Sheriff Secretary/Dispatcher 216.80. PharmChem, sweat patch analysis, 256.00.

PAYROLL CONTRIBUTIONS – ALL FUNDS: 7/16/24: Dir of IRS, county share of FICA 4865.29, Medicare 1137.87; SD Retirement System, county share of retirement contribution, 4792.68; Wellmark BCBS of SD, county share of health insurance contribution, 5167.65.

The Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer for the month of June 2024: deposits in banks, \$5,802,960.80; cash to deposit, \$717.87; checks to deposit, \$21,649.34; CC payments, \$3,788.23; Cash Items (postage) \$108.95; Treasurer's Cash, \$1,461.05; Register of Deeds, \$450.00; Sheriff, \$500.00; CD's, \$700,000.00. The total deposits on hand: \$6,531,636.24.

Michelle Stubkjaer, HR Consultant, Deb Wollman, Community Health Nurse, and Jess Klinkhammer, CHN Clerical, met with the Commission. 2025 budget sheets were handed out and Auditor Sherman noted that 3 days/week were figured into the Nurse's budget for clerical, so we had numbers to begin with. Klinkhammer stated that she won't stay for 21 hours/week. Discussion was held regarding clerical duties in the Nurse's office with WIC no longer being part of those duties. A FY24 Statistical Report was reviewed. Public Health services now has 3 domains: pregnancy care, immunizations, and school health services. Wollman noted that 2 colonies are visited and clerical assists with those, also, along with making calls and scheduling appointments. Wollman added that she is sometimes in McCook County only one day/week and will now be going to Wagner to assist due to a retirement. Sherman asked if there would be WIC expenses and/or revenues that should be budgeted for in 2025, adding that in March a letter was received from Dept of Health, saying they'd be reaching out in the next week to discuss option to utilize space in the courthouse to provide WIC services. There was no reach out. Wollman and Klinkhammer believe clients are going to Mitchell. Klinkhammer asked if \$12000 was going to be cut from every office. Koch stated no, because we are looking at needs, not every office will be cut. Stubkjaer asked what a week looks like with

WIC out of the picture. Klinkhammer noted that can't be answered, a 24-hour week is not enough during school and flu season; if it's a 24-hour week, then it's a 24 hour week, and I'll find another PT job.

Mark Norris, Sheriff, joined the meeting. Cam Howard has asked if the County wants to rent building on W side of Salem from him, \$2500/month. No.

Cori Kaufmann, Dir of Equalization, joined the meeting. Kaufmann requested hiring Landon Flogstad as Seasonal PT help for rest of summer to assist Staff Appraiser with measuring, when out reviewing building permits. Auditor Sherman noted that Seasonal PT help receives \$12.50/hour. Motion Mehlbrech to approve the hiring of Landon Flogstad. Second Liesinger. Motion carried.

The following building permits were issued the month of June:

24-039	Bryan & Heather Bjork	new house	Lot A of Dr Hofers First Add Ex W331.5' of S179.5' SW4 5-104-56
24-040	Dreyer Farms Inc	new house	S361.52' of E361.52 of SE4 27-102-56
24-041	James & Susan Bothwell	roof solar PV system	N705' of the E1236' NE4 35-101-54 Ex Lot H-1
24-042	Tyler & Melissa Johnson	storage/garage	Tract 1 of Eichacker's Addn in NW4 of 29-103-53
24-043	Ronald Mayrose	machine shed	NW4 Ex Lot H-1 & H-2 12-102-55
24-044	Kathryn Dailey	remodel	Lot 2 of TR 2A Erikson's Add NE4NE4 14-101-53
24-045	Deborah Hoffrage and Richard Dahlquist	pole barn 40x30	N750' of E2 of NW4 of 3-102-53
24-046	Todd & Christi Matthies	siding, roof, windows	Tract A Feterl's Add in N2 20-103-54
24-047	Rosemont Valley Farms	machine storage	Tract 1 Smith's Addition in SE4 of 22-103-53 & SW4 23-103-53

The Southeast Enterprise Facilitation Project 2024 Annual Report was noted and filed.

The June 2024 Law Enforcement Report and a report showing the breakdown of calls made, and hours worked in each community was noted and filed.

Auditor Sherman revisited a request for a lien to be partially forgiven, \$5000.00, leaving a balance of \$4200.71 to be paid, from an individual who received county assistance (2004-21). Previously, the Board asked Auditor Sherman to present the lien documentation to States Attorney Fink before they decide on the request. Sherman informed Board that this request can be honored by them, when the balance of \$4200.71 is remitted to the Auditor's Office.

The meeting adjourned subject to call.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.

Charles Liesinger \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman, McCook County Commission

ATTEST:

Geralyn Sherman \_\_\_\_\_  
Auditor, McCook County