

November 10, 2022

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

Members present: Dean Koch, Charles Liesinger, Chuck Mehlbrech (via phone), and Marc Dick.

Chairman Gordon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Gordon called for approval of the agenda. Auditor Sherman noted that Cori Kaufmann would like to be added to the agenda. Motion made by Koch to approve the agenda with the addition of Cori Kaufmann, Zoning Administrator, during the Commissioner Reports. Second by Liesinger. Motion carried.

The minutes from the October 17<sup>th</sup> & October 25<sup>th</sup> meetings were sent to Board members for review prior to publication. Motion made by Liesinger to approve the minutes for publication. Second Dick. Motion carried.

Public input: none.

Commissioner Reports: Zoning Administrator Kaufmann was asked to join the meeting. Kaufmann shared information regarding her meeting with National Grid Renewables, in which she explained the conditional use process to them. Koch added that he was present for the meeting and felt that it went well.

Conflict of Interest: none noted.

The canvass of votes from the November 8<sup>th</sup>, General Election, was held. The Poll Books were reviewed by Commission members and the number of voters in each precinct were verified by matching the total ballots counted by the tabulator (DS450) and then matching these numbers to the Recap Sheet for each precinct. Items noted. Precinct 2 had discrepancy of 2 ballots: an absentee ballot was left in envelope and 1 ballot did not have the official ballot stamp, ballots not counted. Precinct 3 discrepancy of 1 ballot: absentee ballot not processed; ballot not counted. Motion was made by Koch to approve the official canvas certification for the General Election. Second by Liesinger. Motion carried.

Mic Kreutzfeldt, Hwy Supt, presented 2 utility permits to the Board for approval. Motion made by Liesinger to approve Communications Utility Permit for Golden West Telecommunications to provide service to 25830 451 Ave and approve Electric Utility Permit for Southeastern Electric to install 1ph URD for new house. Second Gordon. Motion carried. Discussed the open house held in Canistota by National Grid Renewables, noting discussion on road haul agreements, approaches, and fences blocking drain ways. Motion made by Koch to convene as Drainage Commission. Second Dick. Motion carried.

At 9:45 a.m. a drainage hearing was held to receive input concerning Drainage Permit Application D22-027, applicant Golden View Colony. Legal description: SE4 29-103-55. Project description: spot tile approximately 40 acres with (2) outlets in NW4SE4 29-103-55, a waterway running NW to Tuschen Slough and continuing W from there to Schimmel Slough. Mic Kreutzfeldt, Drainage Administrator, noted SD GF&P has signed off on the application but requested a hearing so that sportsmen could weigh-in. No correspondence was received, and no parties were present for the hearing. Motion made by Koch to approve the drainage permit and authorize Chairman Gordon to sign same. Second Liesinger. All voted aye. Motion carried.

At 9:50 a.m. a drainage hearing was held to receive input concerning Drainage Permit Application D22-024 & D22-025. Applicant Roger Hofer. Legal descriptions: SW4 Ex Lot H1 and Ex S730' of E660' 16-101-55 and NW4 Ex SW4NW4 16-101-55. Project description: D22-024 pattern tile approximately 16 acres with (2) outlets in NW4SW4 16-101-55, a waterway running W toward Wolf Creek and D22-025 pattern tile approximately 62 acres outlet to Permit D22-025. Individuals present: Roger Hofer, Larry and Roger Paweltzki, Ron and Rich Leitheiser, and Eleanor Liberda. Mic Kreutzfeldt, Drainage Administrator, informed the Board that he received a letter from Ronald Liberda informing the Board that he and his tenants oppose the proposed drainage work by Roger Hofer.

Following input from public and reviewing list of drainage considerations, motion made by Liesinger to deny the applications. Second Dick. Roll call vote. Ayes: Liesinger, Dick, Koch, Mehlbrech, and Gordon. Nays: none. Motion carried; applications denied.

Drainage Administrator Kreutzfeldt presented drainage permit applications to the Board, noting that downstream landowner signatures were obtained, and he has signed off on them. All permits are available for inspection at the Hwy Dept Office.

D22-013	Robert E Sabers Credit Shelter Trust	NW4 Ex Lot H-1 21-103-55
D22-014	Robert E Sabers Credit Shelter Trust	SW4 21-103-55
D22-015	Pat Bartmann	NE4 20-102-53
D11-029	Rodney & Jane Marten Trust	SW4 2-104-56
D22-030	D W Loudon Trust	NE4 35-102-54
D22-031	D W Loudon Trust	NW4 14-101-54
D22-032	D W Loudon Trust	NW4 Ex Parry's Add 12-101-54
D22-033	Bernard Stockwell	SW4 20-101-53 (6 parcels) Tracts 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, & 8 Beaners Acres

Lastly, Kreutzfeldt presented 2 drainage permit applications to the Board that are inter-county and need to be approved by the Commission and signed off on by the Chairman. Motion made by Koch to approve the following drainage permit applications and authorize Chairman Gordon to sign same. Second Liesinger. Motion carried.

D22-034	Eric & Amy Tieszen	N2SW4 & W2SE4 Ex S2SW4SE4 & N2N2S2SW4 13-101-53
D22-035	Reed Tieszen	S2N2S2SW4 & S2S2SW4 13-101-53 Ex Lot H1

The Board reconvened as Board of County Commissioners.

Hwy Supt Kreutzfeldt noted that the two trucks purchased need a vendor to install boxes & equipment for these trucks. Motion made by Dick to purchase off Sourcewell contract #062222-AGI-2 from Sanitation Products, Inc for \$141,824.00 each. Second Koch. Motion carried. Current projects include culvert repairs & replacements and burying tree root balls for Salem City.

Ashley Warner, Independent Agent, and Jade Withers, District Sales Coordinator, AFLAC, met with the Commission. Warner presented a product overview on current Aflac plans and information about a new Aflac Dental Insurance plan. Warner also provided information regarding the benefits of an employer offering a defined contribution toward benefits over an hourly wage increase.

Mehlbrech left the meeting at this time.

The following building permits were issued the month of October 2022:

2022-140	Vyacheslav & Regina Volkotrub	21'x50'x12' storage building	E175' of W545' of S484' NE4SE4 14-101-53
2022-141	Richard B Determan	welding shop/storage building	Lot B Determan's First Add in SE4 20-102-56
2022-142	Roger Hofer	replace 3 grain bins 42x8x36	SE4 5-101-55
2022-144	Judy Eichacker Rev Trust	replace grain bin 48x9 tier	S2NW4&N2SW4ExW310'ofN281' 27-103-54
2022-145	Kent Peterson & Drew Peterson	replace 2 grain bins 42x25&48x37	Tract A of Pearson Add in SW4 12-104-55 Ex Lot H-2 & land deeded for road in 109D396
2022-146	McCook Country Club	storage building 40'x100'	That Part of E1100' of E2SW4 lying S of S Line of Lot 2 of NE4SW4 14-103-55
2022-147	Kurth Living Trust	replace machine shed/reroof barn	NE4 12-102-56
2022-148	Richarz Properties	replace exterior garage 32x52x8	S230.5' of N453.07' of W360.7' of Lot A Graham's Subd SE4 10-101-54
2022-150	Scott Huls	replace storage bldg 40x52.5x12	W715' of E1465' of S890' of SE4 Ex Lot H-1 14-103-54
2022-151	Kevin Krier	replace Morton building	SE4 35-103-56
2022-152	Larry & Susan Kappenman	wind break	SE4 Ex Miller-Green Tract #1 11-102-53

The October SEFP Newsletter was noted and filed.

The October Law Enforcement Report was noted and filed.

Mark Norris, Sheriff, and Annette VanEmmerik, Sheriff Secretary/Dispatcher, met with the Commission. Norris informed Board that \$70000 was budgeted for the purchase of two vehicles in 2023 and it's looking like \$84000 is going to be closer number.

VanEmmerik handed out a listing of grants that have been applied for: new radar units through Dept of Public Safety-approved; 2023 24/7 staffing grant-awaiting approval; courthouse security grant (fobbed doors for courtroom and judge's chambers-approved; and NW3C training & technical assistance (Zuercher software)-approved. Law Enforcement Reports by city and types of calls were also reviewed.

Auditor Sherman presented the 2023 Alcoholic Beverage License Applications to the Board for approval. The three applications are renewals: Lake Time Steakhouse & Bait Shop, Package (off-sale Liquor) and Retail (on-sale) Liquor and Ports Petroleum Co Inc d/b/a Fuel Mart, Package (off-sale) Liquor. Motion made by Dick to approve the three applications and authorize Chairman Gordon to sign same. Second Gordon. Motion carried.

Motion made by Koch to enter Executive Session at 12:20 p.m. for personnel discussion, SDCL 1-25-2 (1). Michelle Stubkjaer, HR Consultant, and GERALYN SHERMAN, Auditor, were present. Second Dick. Motion carried. Chairman Gordon declared out of Executive Session at 12:45 p.m.

GERALYN SHERMAN, Welfare Director, and the Commission reviewed Care of Poor cases and lien payments received the month of October. Two Notices of Hospitalization were received from Avera McKennan Hospital (2022-51 & 2022-52). A call was received from individual informing County that patient does have health insurance (2022-45). Two Applications for Poor Relief Assistance were received from Avera McKennan Hospital on behalf of the patient (2022-31 & 2022-32). An individual came to Auditor's Office to let Sherman know that he does NOT want county assistance, he will take care of his bill (2022-20).

Motion made by Dick, second Liesinger, and carried, to pay claims: GENERAL FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 10/29/2022: Commissioners 1980.75 mileage 108.12; Auditor 5377.63; Treasurer 3861.03; States Attorney 2925.25; Custodian 1249.50; Dir of Equalization 2473.32; Register of Deeds 3098.45; Veterans Service Officer 279.90; GIS 1574.93; Sheriff 12790.57; Contract Law 7501.27; Care of Poor 198.03; Welfare 566.15; Community Health Nurse Secretary 1451.80; 4-H Youth Assistant 1382.50; Drainage 300.36; Planning & Zoning 558.58. SD Dept of Revenue, Predatory Animal Control Fund 1567.04 SD Developmental Center-Redfield 60.00; Alternative HR, November HR services 5500.00; Auto Value, trailer hitch pin 58.98; AutoEx, vehicle maintenance 2655.91; John Barnett, 2 months storage rent 180.00; Kim Bertram, member of Resolution Board 50.00; Card Service Center, law enforcement gas & supplies 1407.34 Dymo labels 31.50 meals-Sheriff's conference 182.79; Century Business Products, 3 monthly copier contracts 290.32; Chesterman Co, water 119.00; City of Bridgewater, November ambulance appropriation 3741.66; Dakota Data Shred, shredding service 113.56; Feeding South Dakota, Food Pantry delivery charges 35.00; Mike Fink, October expenses 690.33; Gordon Flesch Co, monthly copier contract 24.00; Brian Havard, weed conference registration 40.00; Kathryn Heumiller, blood alcohol service 130.00; Lori Heumiller, member of Resolution Board 50.00; Inter-Lakes Comm Action, November CSW hours 794.67; Carol Johnson, transcription service 13.60; Jessica Klinkhammer, supplies for flu shots 15.98; Lincoln County Auditor, reimbursement of mental health expenses 414.17; McCook County EMS, November ambulance appropriation 11172.72; McCook County Treasurer, postage 495.03; McCormick Motors, law enforcement vehicle maintenance 2124.63; McLeod's Printing, office supplies 55.67; Meyer Motor, law enforcement vehicle maintenance 57.79; Mitchell Regional 911, 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr 911 services 2627.12; Morgan Theeler LLP, court appt attorney for Kurtis Hansen 252.50; New Century Press, publishing 622.27; ODP Business Solutions, supplies 79.96; Presto-X, pest control in food pantry 41.00; RBS Sanitation, garbage service 98.00; Salem City, utilities 118.48; Schneider Geospatial, tax estimator program 1104.00; SD Achieve dba LifeScape, services for 6 residents 360.00; SD Public Health Laboratory, lab services 545.00; SDPAA, 2023 liability/property insurance renewal 44854.95; SeaChange Print Innovations, publication ballot 185.00; Michael Sharp, court appt attorney for Elias Cardenas 741.26; GERALYN SHERMAN, election mileage 78.54; Tech Solutions, Managed IT services 3578.00; Triotel Communications, telephone/internet service 701.37; Verizon Wireless, iPad service 40.01 cell phone service 421.83; Xcel Energy, utilities 687.78; Zapp Hardware, courthouse supplies 57.26.

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 10/29/2022: Hwy Dept 21288.68. American Engineering, construction testing 720.00; Appeara, towel & mat rent 78.80; Auto Value, parts & supplies 1276.82; Avera Occupational Medicine, employee drug screen 117.00; Card Service Center, vehicle wash 18.00; Central Farmers Coop, fuel and tire patch 12750.46; Century

Business Products, monthly copier contract 133.39; Chesterman Company, water 23.00; Diesel Machinery Inc, parts 82.82; Equipment Blades Inc, parts 1299.60; Gessner Welding & Repair, parts & supplies 105.10; Maynards Salem, supplies 12.49; Puthoff Sales & Service, parts & supplies 518.32; Ramkota Hotel-Pierre, Safety Conference lodging 202.00; RBS Sanitation, garbage service 74.00; Rechnagel Construction, crushed gravel 114464.00; Safety-Kleen, parts washer solvent 188.99; Salem City, utilities 167.09; Salem Lumber, supplies 858.93; SDPAA, 2023 liability/property insurance renewal 24480.04; Sioux International, parts 48.63; Southeastern Electric, utilities 33.13; Spencer Quarries, mixed aggregate 291.00; Triotel Communications, telephone/internet service 113.00; Xcel Energy, utilities 546.52; Zapp Hardware, supplies 101.88.

911 SERVICE FUND: Golden West Telecommunications, 911 telephone service 400.00; Mitchell Regional 911, 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr 911 services 18264.12; Triotel Communications, 911 telephone service 187.20.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 10/29/2022: EDS Director 1454.68. SDPAA, 2023 liability/property insurance renewal 973.77; Brad Stiefvater Jr, October expenses 726.62; Total Stop-Salem, fuel 59.06; Triotel Communications, telephone & internet service 147.93.

24/7 SOBRIETY FUND: Bi-Weekly Payroll: 10/29/2022: Sheriff Secretary/Dispatcher 197.89. PharmChem, sweat patch analysis 157.25.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND: (Streff land purchase/seller's share of expenses deducted): Mike Fink, States Attorney, plat recording fee 60.00; McCook County Abstract, title insurance \$560.84; McCook County Treasurer, real estate taxes 393.19; Frances Streff, land less seller's expenses 98566.39.

MODERNIZATION & PRESERVATION FUND: Microfilm Imaging System, scanning equipment rent 569.00.

PAYROLL CONTRIBUTIONS – ALL FUNDS: 10/29/2022: Dir of IRS, county share of FICA 4078.01, Medicare 953.70; SD Retirement System, county share of retirement contribution 4016.22; Wellmark BlueCross/BlueShield of SD, county share of health insurance premium 6231.97.

The Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer for the month of October 2022: deposits in banks, \$8,505,496.58; cash to deposit, \$1,784.40; checks to deposit, \$497,812.79; CC payments, \$3,839.34; Cash Items (postage) \$495.03; Treasurer's Cash, \$1,074.97; Register of Deeds, \$450.00; Sheriff, \$500.00; CD's, \$800,000.00. The total deposits on hand: \$9,811,453.11.

The meeting adjourned subject to call.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022.

Steve Gordon \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman, McCook County Commission

ATTEST:

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