

JERAULD COUNTY MINUTES  
UNAPPROVED

The Jerauld County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for their regular monthly meeting. Chairman Shane Mentzer called the meeting to order with Commissioner Charles Bergeleen, Commissioner Walt Hein, Commissioner Fred Krohmer, and Commissioner DeVonne Losing in attendance. States Attorney Koch was also in attendance for the meeting.

Chairman Mentzer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the agenda.

No one was present during the scheduled time for public comment.

Jean Ferguson and Deb Ponto were present to update the board on the Museum relocation and renovation. The new museum layout will include rooms dedicated to integral parts of Jerauld County. The board was asked if they would like to help sponsor the completion of a county room for \$500. Moved by Krohmer, second by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to sponsor the Jerauld County room at the Jerauld County Pioneer Museum.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the minutes of the July 5<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

Auditor's Account with Treasurer: County Funds – \$4,743,644.74; Funded Depreciation (for Hospital use only) - \$3,278,884.77; Ambulance Fund - \$93,429.55; Custodial Funds - \$139,006.25 = \$8,254,965.31 total.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to allow the following claims:

PAYROLL:	Commissioners	\$3,336.45
	Auditor/Election	\$6,113.95
	Treasurer	\$6,381.23
	States Attorney	\$5,103.49
	Government Buildings	\$3,648.93
	Director of Equalization	\$5,035.69
	Register of Deeds	\$4,264.87
	Sheriff	\$20,633.23
	Extension	\$1,848.15
	Weed	\$769.25
	Road & Bridge	\$26,752.03
	9 1 1	\$197.88
	24 / 7	\$378.66
	TOTAL	\$84,463.81

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS:

A&B Business	office supplies	\$442.51
Agterra	annual license and account	\$600.00
Alpena Coop	fuel	\$215.18
Amkota	supplies	\$262.15
AT&T	cell phones	\$299.75
Baker's	service, battery, AC kit	\$2,260.14
Beadle County Sheriff	prisoner care	\$190.00
Butler Machinery	parts	\$247.15
CHS	propane fill	\$2,191.97
Center for Independence	monthly support	\$180.00
City of Huron	911 Surcharge	\$1,679.19
City of WS	utilities (\$1,322.50 reimbursed)	\$3,198.34
Connecting Point	technology support, labor	\$1,452.00
Davison County Auditor	VSO quarterly payment	\$2,062.50
Dejong, Wyatt	achievement day judge	\$280.08
Employees	health reimbursements	\$1,457.66
John Deere Financial	parts	\$907.75
Jones Supplies	supplies	\$301.50
K&M Tire	tires for unit	\$695.00
Karl Chevrolet	new patrol vehicle	\$21,977.00
Katterhagen, Mark	mental health board	\$15.00
Kimball Midwest	supplies	\$219.84
Krohmer Plumbing	repair drains, fix plumbing at clinic	\$4,068.70
L&M Sanitation	2-month fee	\$190.00
Larson, Val	mental health board	\$15.00
Lewis & Clark BHS	mental illness assessment	\$213.00
Lewno, Lucy	mental health board	\$165.10
Lexis Nexis	subscription	\$133.00
MARC	supplies	\$246.85
McLeod's	office supplies	\$125.97
Midwest Fire & Safety	extinguisher inspection	\$223.50
Minnehaha County Auditor	mental illness fees	\$184.90
Mitchell Safehouse	apportionment	\$105.00
Motor Clinic	repair tire	\$20.00
Motorola	new antenna	\$3,300.33
NAPA Central	parts	\$935.08
Patton, Don	mowing fees	\$600.00
PJ's Machine & Repair	seal kits	\$189.30
Postmaster	postage	\$193.17

PV Business Solutions	updated OSHA books	\$298.50
Roby, Quintal & Everson	final engineering fees	\$2,000.00
Runnings	supplies, weed eater	\$522.65
Sanborn County	nursing administrative assistant	\$1,862.35
Santel	911 monthly	\$110.58
Schaefer, Dean	court reporting fees	\$30.00
Schaunaman, Misty	achievement days judging	\$308.12
Schelske, Gary	achievement days judging	\$310.24
SDAOO Treasurer	school fees for assessing	\$700.00
SDPAA	insurance for new motor grader	\$182.33
Springs Food Market	supplies	\$186.19
Tessier's	move HVAC unit	\$420.00
Thomson Reuters	books	\$527.99
Total Oil	fuel	\$1,398.77
True Dakotan	publishing	\$577.42
True North Steel	supplies	\$226.88
True Value	supplies	\$887.04
Two Way Solutions	radio batteries	\$145.98
Venture	utilities	\$1,157.18
Verizon	utilities	\$50.08
VISA- AB&T	supplies, books, subscription	\$1,305.27
Wellmark	health ins (\$3,264.79 reimbursed)	\$15,158.53
Wenzel's Pheasant Lodge	EMT lodging	\$200.00
Wheelco	supplies	\$425.10
Yankton County Treasurer	mental illness hearing	\$135.00
TOTAL		\$81,169.81

AMBULANCE:

Employees	payroll	\$8,124.38
A-Ox	oxygen	\$97.81
Baker's	service	\$82.61
Connecting Point	monthly services	\$4.50
Henry Schein	supplies	\$157.00
Quadax	serviced fees	\$125.24
Total Oil	fuel	\$366.76
True Dakotan	publishing	\$54.00
Venture	utilities	\$93.94
TOTAL		\$9,106.24

FUNDED DEPRECIATION:

Avera Queen of Peace	Equipment purchase	\$7,388.04
----------------------	--------------------	------------

In accordance with SDCL 28-13-41, Jerauld County had two people receiving poor relief for the month of August.

Kelly Larson, Maintenance, was available to update the board on the HVAC system. The units are in and functioning. The control company is doing some final tuning on each to get all units to read correctly. Next steps are to remove the wall air conditioners and patch holes in walls. Kelly also informed the board that he plans to retire his position of Custodian/Maintenance effective February 25, 2024. The board accepted his notice of retirement and thanked him for all of his service to the county. The board will plan to advertise for a replacement as soon as possible so that the new employee can work with Kelly some time before his retirement.

Steve Melnick, Colonial Life, was available to speak with board about a Group Term Life Insurance policy. The board discussed the options for the employees. Moved by Hein, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to add the Group Term Life Insurance to employee benefits for all full-time employees.

Brian Kolousek, Highway Superintendent, was present to discuss road and bridge. Brian has been contacted by a concerned resident regarding a blind intersection and need for a stop sign. Brian addressed this with the board and they agreed that placing a stop sign at the intersection should happen. The recent rain has caused some damage to roads, but the department is working to repair. The board discussed the responsibility of obstructions in roadways. Brian visited with the board about setting a date for the R&B 5-year plan review and approval. The date will be September 5, 2023 at 8:30 am.

Fuel bids were presented as follows:	Total Oil, Inc.
Bulk Ethanol Gas	<b>\$3.44</b>
Ethanol Gas, Pump	<b>\$3.44</b>
Unleaded Gas, Pump	<b>\$3.87</b>
E-30 Gas, Pump	<b>\$2.90</b>
#2 Clear Diesel, Pump	<b>\$3.90</b>
#2 Dyed Diesel, Truck	<b>\$3.58</b>

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to award all bids to Total Oil, Inc.

Chairman Mentzer discussed the repair of the sink hole in the hospital parking lot. The repair was a hold-over until a plan to fix the storm drain and piping system below is decided. Due to the large number of entities effected by this project, it was discussed to reach out to the hospital and the city to come up with a plan on how to address the repair. At this point, the parking lot is usable.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried that in accordance with SDCL 7-7-25 & 7-7-26 to allow necessary expenses for August meetings.

The District III Statement of Extension for 2024 was presented to the board. The fees for 2024 will be \$11,283.00. Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the Statement of Extension with District III for 2024.

Deb Fastnacht, Ambulance Director, was available to discuss the Ambulance. There was a recent incident that the Ambulance Board addressed regarding a volunteer. The crew member has been put on probation and the board will be reevaluating again in 3 months. The board approved for the Ambulance Director to attend the State Conference in October in Rapid City. The new State issued LifePaks have arrived. The director and crew will continue to work to get them functioning for future use.

At this time the commissioner board reviewed the following plat:

Moved by Losing, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve Resolution #2023-7.

**RESOLUTION #2023-7 BY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Jerauld County, South Dakota, that the plat of SX3 RANCH TRACTS 1, 2 AND 3, A SUBDIVISION OF THE NW ¼, SW ¼ AND SD ¼ OF SECTION 11, T 108N, R 67 W OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., JERAULD COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, is hereby approved and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

Shane Mentzer  
Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson of Board of County  
Commissioners, Jerauld County

**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned does hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Jerauld County, South Dakota, at a regular meeting held on August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, approving the above-named plat.

Shannon Fagerhaug  
Auditor/ Deputy Auditor of Jerauld County

At the request of the Avera Weskota Administrator/CEO, the board looked at the current hospital lease contract to correct some discrepancies in dates. States Attorney Koch will write up an addendum to the contract and allow both parties to review and sign before the first of the year.

The Law Enforcement contracts were reviewed. States Attorney Koch will update the contracts with dates for the next period of use. The updated contracts will be sent out to be signed before the first of the year.

The board looked at current property and liability insurance coverage and updated some values for 2024. Auditor Fagerhaug will complete paperwork and update the policy before the renewal date.

Now that the HVAC system has been installed, the board discussed removing the wall mounted air conditioners and repairing the areas where they are removed. The board would like the courthouse to be cleaned well from the project. Because neither of these projects will be high enough to bid, the board will begin reaching out to local contractors to find someone available to assist with the repairs.

The county mowing was discussed. Kelly Larson will have more time available for mowing now that the HVAC project has wrapped up. The board agreed to have Kelly complete all county property mowing for the rest of the season.

The board discussed the new propane tanks set for the updated HVAC system. With safety, and efficiency, in mind, the board feels that purchasing the tanks after this fiscal year would be a good idea. The board will wait to hear from CHS on a final price and make the decision in the near future.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented a notification from the State Historical Society to the board.

The certificate of insurance from the Shoot Out at the Lake event for the rental of the bucking chutes was reviewed. It was found that the liability insurance was not sufficient. Chairman Mentzer reached out to Sheldon Tobin to ensure that the coverage was adequate.

The Auditor informed the board that the Fall Convention will be held in Sioux Falls on September 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>. There will be two commissioners attending this year along with the Auditor, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, and Highway Superintendent.

The rest of the meeting was spent on determining the budget for 2024.

Offices will be closed Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Labor Day.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30 am with R&B 5-year plan, then roll into the regular meeting and Provisional Budget Hearing. The commission board will again meet for a special Final Adoption of the 2024 Provisional Budget on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to adjourn at 2:30 pm.

Shane Mentzer, Chairman

ATTEST: Shannon Fagerhaug, Auditor

Published once at the total approximate cost of \_\_\_\_\_.