

JERAULD COUNTY MINUTES
UNAPPROVED

The Jerauld County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 4th, 2023, at 9:00 am. 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 Dedrich Koch was also present.

Chairman Mentzer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A conflict of interest was declared by Commissioner Losing on the decision of awarding a tanker load of fuel delivered bid to the Jerauld County Highway Department.

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

No one appeared at the designated time for public comment.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the minutes of the March 7th regular meeting.

Auditor's Account with Treasurer: County Funds – \$3,928,084.12; Funded Depreciation (for Hospital use only) - \$3,382,678.61; Ambulance Fund - \$132,409.03; Custodial Funds - \$384,910.22 = \$7,828,081.98 total.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to file the following reports and allow the following claims:

REPORT: Wheel Tax Paid Cities- \$3,608.11; Townships- \$12,638.59

PAYROLL:	Commissioners	\$3,336.45
	Auditor/Election	\$5,829.72
	Treasurer	\$6,222.95
	States Attorney	\$5,386.72
	Government Buildings	\$3,329.85
	Director of Equalization	\$5,914.38
	Register of Deeds	\$4,264.86
	Sheriff	\$20,157.62
	Extension	\$1,368.86
	Weed	\$517.12
	Road & Bridge	\$28,185.75
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	24 / 7	\$505.24
	TOTAL	\$85,217.35

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS:

A&B Business	office supplies	\$202.12
Agtega	weed spray chemical, softener salt	\$10,505.75
Alpena Coop Service	fuel, utilities	\$1,639.24
AMG Billing	mental illness fees	\$486.34
Amkota	supplies	\$448.36
AT&T	cell phones	\$160.16
Avera Occupational Med	substance abuse screening	\$117.00
Beadle County Sheriff	prisoner care	\$665.00
Butler Machinery	parts	\$258.94
Center for Independence	monthly support	\$180.00
City of Huron	911 professional services	\$1,631.19
City of Huron	teleprinting services	\$770.00
City of WS	utilities - \$1,869.30 reimbursed	\$3,854.73
Connecting Point	labor, monthly fees	\$532.00
Employees	health reimbursement	\$1,017.81
Humm Dinger	supplies for court	\$4.24
Jerauld County Treasurer	street maintenance fees	\$1,205.78
Juror Fees	petit jury fees & mileage	\$2,949.74
Kimball Midwest	supplies	\$157.33
Krohmer Plumbing	heating & cooling payment	\$47,500.01
L Double J	rock/ tree remover	\$4,100.00
Lexis Nexis	monthly updates	\$133.00
Mack Metal Sales	supplies	\$77.79
Marcus, Laurie	blood draws	\$80.00
Mid Dakota Rural Water	tower service	\$175.00
Minnehaha County Auditor	mental illness fees	\$191.84
NAPA Central	supplies	\$550.03
Onsight	supplies	\$104.51
PJs Machine & Repair	supplies	\$343.02
Postmaster	postage	\$172.02
Premier Equipment	supplies	\$12.30
Regalia Manufacturing	achievement day awards	\$105.08
Sanborn County	nurse admin assistant payroll	\$1,533.74
Santel	911 utilities	\$110.58
Scheel, Audra	reimbursement for travel	\$240.45
Scott Supply	repairs	\$1,107.03
SD Sheriffs' Assoc	2023 conference dues	\$230.00
SD Unemployment Ins Div	1 st quarter reemployment	\$647.74
SDAO	2023 assessing annual conference	\$235.00

SDACC	1 st quarter CLERP dues	\$246.00
SD Counties	2023 commissioner workshop	\$110.00
Stan's Inc.	refund on commercial license	\$212.50
Total Oil	fuel	\$7,480.70
True Dakotan	publishing	\$766.98
True Value	supplies	\$70.00
Two Way Solutions	repair to equipment	\$223.98
Venture	utilities	\$1,174.51
Verizon	extension hot spot	\$50.08
VISA- AB&T	supplies, dues, travel, ink	\$2,677.44
Volesky, Tucker	CAA fees	\$429.75
Wellmark	health ins - \$3,297.41 reimbursed	\$14,907.69
Wheelco	supplies	\$537.41
Youngberg, Luci	mental illness evaluation	\$203.30
TOTAL		\$113,525.21

AMBULANCE:

Employees	payroll	\$6,360.49
A-Ox	oxygen	\$147.47
AWMMC	epi pens, supplies	\$1,120.22
Baker's Repair	tires, shirts	\$961.55
Henry Schein	supplies	\$413.57
Quadax	monthly service fee	\$125.00
Total Oil	fuel	\$305.76
Venture	utilities	\$93.94
Wellmark	health ins	\$677.24
TOTAL		\$10,205.24

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

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to meet in executive session at 9:15 am for personnel reasons per SDCL 1-25-2 (1). Chairman Mentzer declared executive session over and to resume in regular session at 9:44 am.

The board met on the steps of the courthouse to complete the sale of surplus property Lot 9, Block 6, Smart and Seminary 1st Addition, Wessington Springs. The sale of the property was completed with Shane Mentzer purchasing the parcel for \$500.00.

Brian Kolousek, Highway Superintendent, was present to discuss road and bridge. Brian asked the board how they wanted to proceed in getting bids for a tanker load of fuel delivered to the Highway Department. The current tank is not depleted and so room for a tanker load is not available yet. The board suggested that Brian contact local vendors and notify them that bids will be opened on the April 11th meeting for fuel delivered to the Highway tank by May.

Brian presented a Bridge Reinspection Program Resolution for Use with SDDOT Retainer Contracts.

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 650 Subpart C, requires initial inspection of all bridges and reinspection at intervals not to exceed two years with the exception of reinforced concrete box culverts that meet specific criteria. These culverts are reinspected at intervals not to exceed four years.

THEREFORE, Jerauld County is desirous of participating in the Bridge Inspection Program.

The County requests SDDOT to hire Brosz Engineering (Consultant Engineers) for the inspection work. SDDOT will secure federal approvals, make payments to the Consulting Engineer for inspection services rendered, and bill the County for 20% of the cost. The County will be responsible for the required 20% matching funds.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2023, at Wessington Springs, South Dakota.

ATTEST: Shannon Fagerhaug
County Auditor

Board of County Commissioners of Jerauld County
Shane Mentzer
Chairman of the Board

Fuel bids:	Total Oil	Alpena Co-op
Bulk Ethanol Gas	\$3.09	\$3.10
Ethanol Gas, Pump	\$3.12	
Unleaded Gas, Pump	\$3.25	
E-30 Gas, Pump	\$2.75	
#2 Clear Diesel, Pump	\$3.75	
#1 Dyed Diesel, Truck	\$3.79	
#2 Dyed Diesel, Truck	\$3.20	\$3.248

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

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve Resolution #2023-4, Seasonal Load Restrictions.

WHEREAS, seasonal and climatic changes can be detrimental to our highways; and

WHEREAS, Jerauld County, South Dakota, is responsible for the maintenance of certain highways under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Jerauld County Board of County Commissioners desires to protect existing Jerauld County Highways, ultimately saving tax dollars; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota Codified Law 32-22-24 mandates that the highway authority responsible for maintenance of the highways is to set reduced load limits during the period of each year from February 15 to April 30, inclusive, and may increase, lessen, or remove these restrictions if highway conditions warrant; and

WHEREAS, the weight limits on Jerauld County Highways have previously been set forth in Jerauld County Resolution #2009-1; and

WHEREAS, that authority may be exercised without formal resolution if the highway authority erects or causes to be erected and maintained, signs designating the restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Jerauld County Board of County Commissioners desire the enforcement of weight limitations on Jerauld County highways as set forth and posted by the Jerauld County Highway Department if additional highway and/or climatic conditions warrant; and

WHEREAS, Jerauld County requests the South Dakota Highway Patrol to assist and enforce the load restrictions on the posted gross limits per axle;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jerauld County Board of Commissioners designates the County Highway Superintendent as the authorized representative of the County and empowers the County Highway Superintendent with the authority to act on behalf of the County to impose weight restrictions for all roads under the jurisdiction of Jerauld County; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that if highway and climatic conditions warrant the County Highway Superintendent is authorized to extend the time period as set forth in South Dakota Codified Lay 32-22-24 and impose weight restrictions at other times if deemed necessary, and may increase, lessen, or remove these restrictions if highway conditions warrant; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Highway Superintendent is authorized to erect and maintain signs to enforce provisions of this resolution as provided by state law and that the implemented load limits shall not be effective until or unless such signs are erected and maintained; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Highway Superintendent is authorized to work with the South Dakota Highway Patrol and request the South Dakota Highway Patrol to enter the County of Jerauld with scales adequate to weigh motor vehicles to ensure compliance with state laws pertaining to vehicle weight and with the weight laws established by this resolution; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SD Highway Patrol be and hereby is authorized and requested to enforce weight limitations on Jerauld County roads, and that the penalty for the violation of said load restrictions shall be as set forth in SDCL 32-22-24, 32-22-25, and 32-22-55.

DATED this 4th day of April, 2023.

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ATTEST: Shannon Fagerhaug, Jerauld County Auditor

Shane Mentzer, Chairperson of the Jerauld County
Board of Commissioners

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to meet in executive session at 10:10 am for personnel reasons per SDCL 1-25-2 (1). Chairman Mentzer declared executive session over and to resume in regular session at 10:40 am.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to appoint Commissioner Hein as direct contact and supervisor for the Highway Department.

Janice Bender, Director of Equalization, appeared for her performance review of duties per SDCL 10-3-14. She explained the items covered within her annual audit. There were no tax appeals filed in her office this year. Janice reported that there are several building permits to follow up on. Janice is considering a reappraisal of Lane this summer. It was found that over 700 addresses with Jerauld County needed a 911 update. Janice reviewed them all and now has the completed addresses at 98%. Thank you to Janice and her staff for the continued dedication to Jerauld County.

The board met with James Reiner to review the full time Highway position. James has also agreed to take the Weed Supervisor position for the county. The board discussed what was expected of him for each position. Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to hire James Reiner as full-time Jerauld County Highway Equipment Operator at a wage of \$19.60/hour, starting off with a 6-month probationary period at 90% pay, or \$17.64/hour, effective April 10, 2023. The Weed Supervisor position will continue to be paid at \$20.00/hour as previously discussed.

Deb Fastnacht, Ambulance Director, was present to discuss the Ambulance. The Ambulance has been continuing to work with PCC to develop a process to track the accounts for the Ambulance. Deb has a plan to bring a representative of PCC in to train the Ambulance crew on what documentation needs to be included when sending reports. One account was presented to the board as unpayable. The board recommended that Deb have PCC look at the account to see if it can be transferred to their preferred debt collection agency. If not, Deb will notify the Auditor and

have county liens placed on the account. The Ambulance Board sent recommendations for increasing rates on calls. The recommendations were to increase the mileage rate to \$20.00/mile and the Non-Transport call to \$100.00/call. The commissioner board agreed that the changes should be made.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried that in accordance with SDCL 7-7-25 & 7-7-26 necessary expenses be allowed for April meetings.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to sign the 2023 County Health Nurse Secretary Agreement between Sanborn County and Jerauld County.

Moved by Hein, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to make an automatic supplement to the 24/7 Salaries Fund for moneys received from the 24/7 Staffing Pass Thorough Grant of \$6,250.00.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented forms to participate in a new National Opioid Settlement. Moved by Hein, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the participation in the new National Opioid Settlement and appoint the Auditor as authorized signatory.

The County receive the signed bid contract and Certificate of Liability Insurance for demolition of the courthouse radiators, pipes and boiler from Glissman Salvage. Demolition is set to begin between April 10th and April 15th.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented a notice of the Abandoned Underground Tank Removal Program to the board.

The new Jerauld County Veteran Service Officer, JT Thomas, requested to know when the commissioner board would prefer a report. The board was in agreement that an annual report was sufficient, unless a need to meet earlier was presented.

The board will meet as the County Board of Equalization Tuesday, April 11, at 9:00 am.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, May 9, starting at 9:00 am with the board reconvening as the County Board of Equalization at 9:30 am.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to adjourn at 11:55 am.

Shane Mentzer, Chairman

Attest: Shannon Fagerhaug, Auditor

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