

JERAULD COUNTY MINUTES
UNAPPROVED

The Jerauld County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 9th, 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.

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 delivered fuel bid to the Jerauld County Highway Department this fall.

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

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the minutes of the April 4th regular meeting, the April 11th County Board of Equalization special meeting.

No one appeared at the designated time for public comment.

Auditor's Account with Treasurer: County Funds – \$4,401,960.48; Funded Depreciation (for Hospital use only) - \$3,437,194.67; Ambulance Fund - \$121,942.69; Custodial Funds - \$1,554,811.04 = \$9,515,908.88 total.

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

REPORT: Wheel Tax Paid Cities- \$1,893.44; Townships- \$6,076.60

PAYROLL:	Commissioners	\$3,461.51
	Auditor/Election	\$5,898.29
	Treasurer	\$6,381.22
	States Attorney	\$5,103.48
	Government Buildings	\$4,109.80
	Director of Equalization	\$6,072.66
	Register of Deeds	\$4,264.87
	Sheriff	\$20,229.43
	Extension	\$1,437.64
	Weed	\$259.94
	Road & Bridge	\$26,565.16
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TOTAL

\$84,487.12

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS:

A&B Business	office supplies	\$200.57
Alpena Coop Service	fuel, utilities	\$177.22
AMG Billing	mental illness fees	\$236.67
Amkota	supplies	\$365.44
AT&T	cell phones	\$356.74
Avera Occupational Med	substance abuse screening	\$117.00
Badlands Environmental Con	air quality testing	\$1,500.00
Baker's Repair	repair to vehicles	\$1,829.08
Butler Machinery	parts	\$201.23
Center for Independence	monthly support	\$180.00
City of Huron	911 professional services	\$1,629.94
City of WS	utilities - \$1,581.33 reimbursed	\$3,394.93
Connecting Point	monthly fees	\$532.00
Davison County Auditor	2 nd quarter VSO payment	\$1,875.00
Employees	health reimbursement	\$1,783.29
Election System & Software	service contract, maintenance	\$1,262.63
Harmdierks, Jeanine	jury fees	\$29.38
Heartland Glass	repair to clinic doors	\$7,860.00
Hodges Badge Company	ribbons for achievement days	\$247.30
Humm Dinger	tanker load of #2 diesel	\$22,441.00
Jones Supplies	supplies	\$502.78
K&M Tire	tires for pickup	\$594.16
Kimball Midwest	supplies	\$93.70
Krohmer Plumbing	clinic repairs	\$3,769.75
Lexis Nexis	monthly updates	\$133.00
MARC	supplies	\$441.42
Marshall & Swift	software upgrade	\$1,252.20
Murphy, Neil	reimbursement on service cost	\$1,000.00
Menards	supplies	\$129.98
NAPA Central	supplies	\$178.89
Office Peeps	supplies	\$73.90
PJs Machine & Repair	supplies	\$714.96
Prairie View Vet Clinic	exam, treatment	\$413.15
Ramkota Hotel- Pierre	conference lodging	\$116.00
Rolling Hills Vet	vaccines, feed	\$332.97
Runnings	supplies	\$3.16

Sanborn County	nurse admin assistant payroll	\$1,895.64
Santel	911 utilities	\$110.58
SDACO	spring workshop dues	\$400.00
Sno Enviro Inc	asbestos cleaning	\$18,401.90
Spring Food Market	supplies	\$727.73
Sweet Grass	judicial supplies	\$23.32
Total Oil	fuel	\$2,480.93
True Dakotan	publishing	\$446.77
Venture	utilities	\$1,149.10
Verizon	extension hot spot	\$50.08
VISA- AB&T	supplies, dues, trave	\$1,541.27
Wantoch Law	CAA fees	\$608.40
Wellmark	health ins - \$3,264.79 reimbursed	\$14,899.08
WW Tire	parts	\$4,043.22
TOTAL		\$102,474.46

AMBULANCE:

Employees	payroll	\$6,862.01
A-Ox	oxygen	\$128.63
AWMMC	nurse ride-along	\$256.01
Henry Schein	supplies	\$309.60
Quadax	monthly service fee	\$125.24
Total Oil	fuel	\$208.95
Travelers Motel	lodging for EMTs	\$450.00
Venture	utilities	\$93.94
Wellmark	health ins	\$677.24
TOTAL		\$9,111.62

FUNDED DEPRECIATION:

Avera Queen of Peace	equipment	\$2,275.00
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In accordance with SDCL 28-13-41, Jerauld County had three people receiving poor relief for the month of April.

Greg Henderson, District III Director, was available to present the Annual Performance Report to the board. Greg updated the board on new programs and funding available to counties and municipalities.

Brian Kolousek, Highway Superintendent, was present to discuss road and bridge. Brian presented the 2023 Bridge Inspection Work Order for Consultant Services to the board. The board has chosen Brosz as the consultant to inspect bridges in Jerauld County. Moved by Hein, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to sign the work order for bridge inspections by Brosz Engineering in 2023.

Fuel bids were presented as follows:	Total Oil, Inc.
Bulk Ethanol Gas	\$3.05
Ethanol Gas, Pump	\$3.07
Unleaded Gas, Pump	\$3.45
E-30 Gas, Pump	\$2.67
#2 Clear Diesel, Pump	\$3.69

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

Sealed bids for a tanker load of fuel delivered to the Jerauld County Highway this fall were opened.

The sealed fuel bids were presented as follows:

8,000 gallons of #2 Dyed Diesel Fuel Delivered to Jerauld County Highway Department

Vendor	Price
- Total Oil, Inc.	\$2.77
- Farmers Alliance	\$2.84
- Alpena Coop	\$2.85

Moved by Hein, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to award the #2 Dyed Diesel tanker bid to Total Oil, Inc.

The board discussed options for part-time help at the Highway Dept. The motor grader ordered in 2021 is loaded on a truck and in route. The department has been busy retrieving and removing large rocks on gravel roads throughout the county. Ben Rostyne, Equipment Operator, has notified Brian verbally of his 2 weeks resignation. Ben will still plan to spray weeds this year for the county. There will be an open position advertised in this week's paper. The board will meet again the evening of May 17th to interview any applicants for the position. Commissioner Hein asked Brian to find a wage study for the Highway Department to compare against regional counties.

The approval of funding to the townships was discussed. Moved by Hein, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to cover all bills for townships when approved for the Rural Access Infrastructure Funding (RAIF). The county will then bill the townships out for 20% of the total which is a requirement of the funding program.

The board discussed an earlier proposal from Connecting Point to move the current managed service from a basic to ConnectCare Premier. Moved by Losing, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to move the hub of the IT equipment, to include the server and firewall, to the ConnectCare service plan. All individual computer stations will remain on the basic plan.

Moved by Hein, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve for admin leave pay for the time that the courthouse was closed due to construction.

Moved by Hein, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the Election Systems & Software Election Services Agreement through 2026.

A permit and Certificate of Insurance from Dakota Air Spray were presented to the board. Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the Permit to Land Aircraft on Jerauld County Highways.

Deb Fastnacht, Ambulance Director, was available to update the board on the Ambulance. Jerauld County will be celebrating EMS Week next week. There will be activities throughout the week starting with an open house on Sunday. Other events include a bike rodeo and free CPR class. Deb is looking into a grant for assistance with rural volunteer retention. A program through Sanford is also being explored to offer high school credits to complete an EMT course. Deb will follow up with Deach Koch on drafting a contract for the billing of nurses on calls.

Josh Starzman, Sanborn County Deputy Sheriff/ Emergency Manager, was available to speak to the board about Ambulance District Lines between counties as there is discrepancy on several maps. Sheriff Weber joined for the discussion. Deputy Starzman drafted a map of how he thinks the lines should be and asked the commissioner board to agree. The board did agree with the map shown. Deputy Starzman will now take it back to the Sanborn Commissioner Board for approval. All entities involved in GIS and dispatching will then be sent a copy of the revised map to allow for more efficient flow when dispatching calls.

Janice Bender, Director of Equalization, was available to speak with the board. Janice gave the board a retirement notice effective June 25th. The board discussed the details of her position and what is expected of an applicant.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Losing, all members voted aye. Motion carried to meet in executive session at 11:45 am per SDCL 1-25-2(1) to discuss personnel. Chairman Mentzer declared executive session over and to resume in regular session at 12:00 pm.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to accept the retirement of Janice Bender from the Jerauld County Director of Equalization office and post a notice in the paper for the opening. The board thanked Janice for her almost 27 years of dedication to the county.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to transfer the full balance of \$300,000.00 from Capital Outlay to the Government Building Improvement fund as was the intention in 2016 when the resolution was signed.

The board asked Auditor Fagerhaug to send propane bid letters to area vendors for next winter. They will open and award at the June meeting.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented notification of Asbestos Disposal from Tri County Landfill.

The board discussed future plans for wall patching and painting after the HVAC system has been installed. More discussion will take place at the June meeting. The board members will start to reach out to local contractors to find out availability.

The board was informed that the Auditor, Treasurer, Director of Equalization and Register of Deeds will travel to Aurora County this Thursday for district meetings. The Auditor and Register of Deeds will be attending Spring Workshop in Pierre May 17th-18th. The Highway Superintendent and Assistance Superintendent will be attending a conference in Pierre on June 7th & 8th. Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members present voted aye. Motion carried that in accordance with SDCL 7-7-25 & 7-7-26 necessary expenses be allowed for May meetings.

The status of worker's compensation incidents from 2022 were presented to the commission board.

The board decided that they would like to have a lawn care company take a look at the courthouse lawn this spring. Commissioner Losing said that she would reach out to a contact.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented information from the SD Department of Veterans Affairs regarding an increase in veteran service officer salary supplement reimbursements. This increase is effective July 1st. Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to increase the VSO salary payment to Davison County from \$7,500 to \$8,250 / year effective July 1, 2023.

The board met with the General Contractor for the HVAC project and had an informal Walk-Through of the building. The main objective was to set the schedule for all secondary contractors. The General met with all secondary contractors following the walk-through.

All offices will be closed Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, June 6th, 2023, starting at 9:00 am.

Moved by Hein, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to adjourn at 2:15 pm.

Shane Mentzer, Chairman

Attest: Shannon Fagerhaug, County Auditor

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