

May 3, 2016

The Grant County Commission met at 8AM with Commissioners Buttke, Dummann, Mach and Stengel present. Chairman Stengel called the meeting to order. Motion by Mach seconded by Buttke to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2016 meeting. Motion carried 4-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Mach and seconded by Dummann to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Members of the public present was Ginny Tostenson with the Valley Express.

**VSO:** Supt Schultz reported the Ford van used by the VSO is in need of some work as the gas tank converter is not working to switch to the second tank. The vehicle stalled on a trip back from the VA. The Veterans Service Officer will be contacted on transportation options for the veterans.

**4-H:** Advisor Sara Koepke introduced the Aquatics and Robotics team. She stated our county is the first in the state to develop this program. This pilot program will be used in other counties once the programming is completed. The team is working on developing a camera robot to use on researching curly pond weed and zebra mussels which are spreading in the lakes. The commission expressed their appreciation to Sara and the team for their great job!

**Gravel Crushing:** The 8:15 am hearing for the opening of crushed gravel bids located in Osceola Township was held with no members of the public present. Hwy Supt Schultz was present who opened the bid as follows for ¾ inch gravel:

Gravel Pit Location: Christenson Pit

Owner of Gravel Pit: Gerald Christenson

Contractor: Sibson Gravel LLC

Address: 87994 280<sup>th</sup> Ave Browns Valley MN

Price F.O.B Gravel Pit Stockpile Site: 3.05 per ton

Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to accept the bid of Sibson Gravel which included the royalties. Motion carried 4-0. **Budget Supplement:** Motion by Buttke and seconded by Dummann to set May 17 at 8:30 am for a budget supplement hearing to adopt budget authority and move cash from the designated reserve for highway projects for the amount of 61,000. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Tucholke joined the meeting at 8:30 am.

**Travel:** Motion by Dummann and seconded by Mach to approve travel expenses for States Attorney Reedstrom to attend Annual Conference in Deadwood. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Mach to approve travel expenses for Auditor Layher, Treasurer Mueller and Register of Deeds Copeland to annual Spring Workshop in Pierre. Motion carried 5-0.

**Lien:** Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to approve a lien release of \$12.40 for account 8224 as the individual has been deceased since 1974. Motion carried 5-0.

**Malt Beverage/SD Farm Wine License Renewal:** Under the current law, renewal applications for malt beverage and SD Farm Wine renewals do not need to have a public hearing. Auditor Layher reported the four applications for renewal of the malt beverage licenses have been completed, returned and the first half of taxes have been paid for the 2015 payable 2016 tax year. Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to approve the renewal of the four beverage licenses for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Motion carried 5-0.

1. Gertje VanLith Post 229 American Legion Club, located in Lot A NE1/4NE1/4 (4.82A) Section 24, Township 121, Range 47, in Grant County, South Dakota.
2. BitterSweet Lodge located in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ SW ¼ of 7-120-51
3. Pine Hills Golf Club located in NW1/4 EX Lot 1, 2nd Country Club Addn., EX W 550' of OL A EX PT Platted and Sold and EX Road; Lt 1 Third Country Club Addn in NW1/4 & Lt 1 4th Country Club Addn, Govt Lot 4 (142.42 A)
4. Lot 1 and Lot 2, Gilbert Hess Subdivision in the NE ¼ and in E ½ NW ¼ in Section 35, Township 121 North, Range 50 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M.

**4-H:** Advisor Sara Koepke reviewed the 4-H grounds improvement plan completed by the association board. New lighting has been completed in the livestock barn and outside lighting has been added. The 4-H Leaders have paid for the electrical wiring for a malt wagon. The allocation for 2016 of \$5000 has been spent on these improvements. Commissioner Tucholke indicated a need for two steel doors for the exhibit building and a need for a cement pad on the east side of the exhibit building. Commissioner Buttke will work with Sara on quotes for these projects. The commission was in agreement the doors and the cement pad would be paid out of General Fund. **Grant Funding:** Sara requested permission to apply for a Fairgrounds Facelift grant to offset the expense of the cement pad and doors. Maximum award would be \$2000. Chairman Stengel advised Sara to apply for the grant.

**Sheriff:** Kevin Owen reported on the numerous cases on the court docket and jail population. He reported he has assigned Deputy Jeremy Steffenson to be the head

jailer in addition to his other duties. Sheriff Owen will contact the Roberts County Sheriff to follow up on the renting a set number of beds per year for overflow needs from Grant County. **Statistics:** For the month of March for the Detention Center and Sheriff's Office as follows: Average Daily inmate population 12.35; Number of bookings 29; Work release money collected \$730.00; 24/7 Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) fees collected \$276.00; SCRAM (alcohol detecting bracelet) fees collected \$698.00; 24/7 PBT participants 9; SCRAM (Sobriety Program) participants 3; Calls for Service (does not include walk-in traffic) 476; Accidents investigated 6; Civil papers served 48; Cumulative miles traveled 7581; 911 calls responded to 67.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** Commissioner Buttke brought forth the need to shingle the outdoor shelter in the courthouse park. Also discussed re-stripping the parking lot to gain additional parking spaces and seal coating the parking lot. Commissioner Buttke will work with maintenance on these issues.

**Correspondence:** None

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

1. Approve hiring of Mya Johanson for Library Page position at \$8.50 per hour effective May 9, 2016
2. Declare surplus: burgundy chair-asset #7798, Xerox 6180 Copier-asset #9751 printer carts-asset #8004 & 8002 from Library, tax form rack-asset # 9987, wooden book truck-asset #1510 & #1511, double rotor stand-#8751, Metal table on wheels-#8898, Sauder desk top organizer, small wooden book shelf, kids wooden step stool, (3) cd storage units
3. Approve lease agreement with Xerox for a W7220 copier for base charge of \$83.55 per month for Auditor's Office

**Executive Session:** Motion by Dummann and seconded by Mach to enter into executive session at 10:10 AM for the purpose of a personnel issue(s) pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1). Motion carried 5-0. Auditor Layher and Sheriff Owen were present. Chairman Stengel declared the meeting open to the public at 10:14 AM. No action taken.

**Claims:** Motion by Tucholke and seconded by Mach to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 5-0. AASON ENGINEERING, hwy projects 3,500.00; AL'S BODY SHOP, windshield repair 460.00; AVERA-MILBANK AREA

HOSPITAL, BLAB 728.00; BUREAU OF INFO & TELE, internet & email 440.00; CITY OF MILBANK, water & sewer 612.95; DUANE D ATHEY, supplies 651.20; FISHER SAND & GRAVEL, rip rap 614.77; G & K SERVICES, supplies 324.84; GEORGE B BOOS, ct appt atty 1,957.50; GRANT/ROBERTS AMBULANCE, alloca 2,458.33; LEWIS FAMILY DRUG, prisoner care 109.67; MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATION, internet 68.90; MILBANK AUTO PARTS, parts & supplies 1,437.96; MILBANK COMMUNICATIONS, maint 952.50; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, nat gas 660.06; OFFICE PEEPS, supplies 308.61; POSTMASTER, box rental 52.00; SANDRA FONDER, prof serv 50.00; SD ASSN CO COMM, CLERP 1,682.27; SUMNER DIESEL, parts 20.75; TASER INTERNATIONAL, supplies 89.14. TOTAL: \$17,179.45.

Payroll for the following departments and offices for the month of April 2016 are as follows: COMMISSIONERS 4922.75; AUDITOR 14,472.60; TREASURER 9793.82; STATES ATTORNEY 10,791.30; CUSTODIANS 5389.03; DIR. OF EQUALIZATION 6837.68; REG. OF DEEDS 6885.60; VET. SERV. OFFICER 1452.75; SHERIFF 17,709.05; COMMUNICATION CTR 11,637.65; PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE 2372.70; ICAP 724.50; VISITING NEIGHBOR 2929.61; LIBRARY 12,066.79; 4-H 4310.85; WEED CONTROL 3620.00; PLAN & ZONING 1920.80; ROAD & BRIDGE 54,830.53; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 3574.00. TOTAL: \$176,242.01.

Payroll Claims: FIRST BANK & TRUST, Fed WH 18,106.24; FIRST BANK & TRUST, FICA WH & Match 21,310.40; FIRST BANK & TRUST, Medicare WH & Match 4983.86; AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE, AFLAC ins. 1670.02; WELLMARK-BLUE CROSS OF SD, Employee and Commission health ins. 46,157.02; DEARBORN NATIONAL, life ins. 243.86; LEGAL SHIELD, deduction 159.35; OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT, deduction 566.00; OPTILEGRA, ins 304.30; SDSR SUPPLEMENTAL, deduction 150.00; SDRS, retire 19,895.31; UNITED ACCOUNTS, deduction 200.00. TOTAL: \$113,746.36.

It is the policy of Grant County, South Dakota, not to discriminate against the handicapped in employment or the provision of service.

The next meeting will be May 17 and June 9 (Thursday due to Primary) and 21, 2016 at 8 AM. Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

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Karen M. Layher, Grant County Auditor

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Doug Stengel, Chairman, Grant County Comm.