

July 19, 2022

The Grant County Commission met at 8:00 AM with Commissioners Buttke, Mach, Stengel, Street and Tostenson. Chairman Stengel called the meeting to order with a quorum present. Motion by Street and seconded by Buttke to approve the minutes of the July 5 and 6 meetings as presented. Motion carried 5-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Mach and seconded by Tostenson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Members of the public present were Francis Brandenburger, Ben Wollschlager, Chad Boelmke, Jerry Zubke, Joseph Kanthak, Spencer Street, Christian Karels, Noble Karels, Dale Skoog, Grant Street, Scott Johnson and Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker. Members of the staff present were Drainage Officer Berkner, Deputy Auditor Folk and States Attorney Schwandt.

The Auditor's report with the Treasurer for the month of June was noted.

#### **AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER**

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners,  
Grant County:

I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of the County of Grant as of the last day of June, 2022.

Cash on Hand	\$2,161.53
Checks in Treasurer's possession less than 3 days	\$21,551.95
Cash Items	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL CASH ASSETS ON HAND</b>	<b>\$23,713.48</b>
RECONCILED CHECKING	
First Bank & Trust	\$4,349.89
Interest	\$0.00
Credit Card Transactions	\$7,221.78
TIF Fees	\$0.00
First Bank & Trust (Svgs)	\$7,963,474.00
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	
First Bank & Trust	\$0.00
First Bank & Trust (TIF)	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL CASH ASSETS</b>	<b>\$7,998,759.15</b>

**GENERAL LEDGER CASH BALANCES:**

General	\$2,950,527.20
General restricted cash	\$2,050,000.00
Cash Accounts for Offices General Fund	\$656.00
Sp. Revenue	\$1,476,402.20
Sp. Revenue restricted cash	\$0.00
Henze Road District	\$0.00
TIF Apportioning	\$0.00
TIF Milbank	\$0.00
TIF Milbank Rosewood	\$0.00
Special Assessment Land Rent	\$0.00
Trust & Agency (schools 246,100.55, twps 71,718.66, city/towns 24,426.11)	\$1,521,173.75
ACH Correction	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH</b>	<b>\$7,998,759.15</b>

Karen M. Layher

Dated this 11th day of July, 2022

Karen M. Layher, County Auditor

The Register of Deeds fees for June were \$9,659.50. The Sheriff fees for June were \$3,341.96 with \$2,543.96 receipted into the General Fund. The following statistics for the month of May for the Sheriff's Office were presented by report. Average daily inmate population 2.61; Number of bookings 17; Work release money collected \$20.00; 24/7 Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) fees collected \$324.00; SCRAM (alcohol detecting bracelet) fees collected \$0.00; 24/7 PBT participants 5; SCRAM (Sobriety Program) participants 1; Calls for Service (does not include walk-in traffic) 413; Accidents investigated 2; Civil papers served 75; Cumulative miles traveled 10,871; 911 calls responded to (including Milbank) 107. The following statistics for the month of June for the Sheriff's Office were presented by report. Average daily inmate population 4.03; Number of bookings 10; Work release money collected \$400.00; 24/7 Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) fees collected \$409.00; SCRAM (alcohol detecting bracelet) fees collected \$180.00; 24/7 PBT participants 5; SCRAM (Sobriety Program) participants 1; Calls for Service (does not include walk-in traffic) 346; Accidents investigated 3; Civil papers served 74; Cumulative miles traveled 10,747; 911 calls responded to (including Milbank) 104.

Public Comment: Chairman Stengel called for public comment. Dale Skoog addressed the Commission on a spillway in the SE ¼ of Section 30 in Alban Township West. He remarked the culverts and spillway were installed by the county approximately 50 to 60 years ago. The site needs repair, and he suggested the county put in rock or granite one to two feet above the spillway to fix the

problem with the spillway and he would continue to clean the run. Chairman Stengel stated the Commission will take comments under advisement and discuss the issue with the Hwy Supt. With no other comments being offered, Chairman Stengel closed the public comment.

**Drainage:** Chairman Stengel adjourned the Board of Commissioners and convened the Commission acting as the Drainage Board.

Permit DR2022-43 for Scott Johnson for property owned by Scott and Donna Johnson located in the E1/2NW1/4 INCLUDING LOT H2 & NW1/4NW1/4 EX LOT H1 IN THE N1/2NW1/4, and in the SW1/4NW1/4 in 27-118-48 (Adams West Township). Motion by Street and seconded by Buttke to approve permit DR2022-43. Drainage Officer Berkner began his report on Drainage Permit DR2022-43 stating the permit will naturally drain approximately 40 acres of the NW1/4. The permit proposes using a single 10” outlet that could drain as much 340 gallons per minute if it ran at full capacity at a .1% grade.

Berkner said the water from the lateral tiles will go into a natural waterway, which was also used in a previous Johnson drainage permit and would flow to the north before flowing northeast eventually joining Mud Creek.

Berkner closed his report saying the six questions under section 101 as per SDCL 46-10A-20 were answered in the affirmative and the other list of questions in Section 313 and 317 supports the affirmative response.

Chairman Stengel asked Johnson for any additional comments on his project. Johnson replied that the permit was targeting areas that have trouble draining and would help avoid future erosion.

Chairman Stengel opened the public hearing for DR2022-43 asking three times for comments either for or against the project. No one offered any comments and Chairman Stengel closed the public hearing.

Chairman Stengel then opened the discussion with the board. Commissioner Tostenson asked if the permit would cause any problems with the City of Revillo lagoons. Berkner replied that the City of Revillo had been contacted by certified mail and that he had not received any concerns about the proposed permit.

The board also asked questions about water that flows around the north side of Revillo. Johnson answered that it has no effect on the current permit application. Johnson commented that purpose of the permit is to get water to the creek quicker rather than flow through a series of culverts. Bill Street said that since the permit is

not using any inlets, the project should help slow down waterflow downstream. With no further discussion Stengel called for the vote. Motion carried 5-0.

Permit DR2022-44 for William Street for property owned by William and Joan Street located in the SE1/4 in 23-119-49 (Madison Township). Commissioner Street recused himself from the discussion and vote. Motion by Mach and seconded by Buttke to approve permit DR2022-44. Chairman Stengel asked Berkner to present his report.

Berkner stated this permit is a reapplication of a previous drainage permit that was not completed in the two-year timeframe and is seeking to naturally drain approximately 2 acres through a 5" outlet that could flow as much as 55 gallons per minute if it ran full at a .1% grade.

According to Berkner the area to be drained would flow to the east and is limited to the farmstead and would use up to five inlets, four of which would be inlets for the downspouts of the "machine shed" and another one may be utilized for collecting water if needed near the machine shed.

Berkner closed his report saying the six questions under section 101 as per SDCL 46-10A-20 were answered in the affirmative and the other list of questions in Section 313 and 317 supports the affirmative response.

Chairman Stengel asked Street for any additional information. Applicant Street added that the area to be drained was consistently "wet and soggy" and had trouble draining especially during wet periods. Street indicated that in total he expects to use approximately 2000' of tile and that all of it would be in the area indicated on the tile map.

Chairman Stengel opened the public hearing for DR2022-44 asking three times for pro or con comments. Hearing none, he closed the public hearing.

Chairman Stengel then opened the discussion with the board. Mach asked if requests like this to drain hard surfaces including farmyards and building sites with inlets might have a negative effect on downstream water flows since the water is not seeping through topsoil. He remarked these types of standalone permit applications are not that common. Mach stated he didn't necessarily need an answer just thought it might be a future discussion item.

Tostenson asked if Street would be able to add additional inlets beyond five. Berkner stated again that the application is for approximately two acres with four inlets for the downspouts of the machine building with a possible fifth inlet, if needed.

Mach and Buttke both asked about livestock in the general area to be drained and Street said that he had a few stock cows that would be to the south but not near the actual drainage area.

Mach added that his concern earlier was that surface water from hard surfaces like parking lots, streets and even sump pumps is adding to the downstream volume of water. In most cases none of those activities require a drainage permit if a tile isn't used but might have to be considered in the future.

With no further discussion Stengel called for the vote. Motion carried 4-0 with Street being recused.

Permit DR2022-45 for Joseph Kanthak for property owned by Joseph and Virginia Kanthak IRV TRUST located in Government Lots 1-4 in 10-118-47 (Adams East Township). Motion by Tostenson and seconded by Buttke to approve permit DR2022-45. Chairman Stengel asked Berkner to present his report.

Berkner said the permit was a follow up permit to DR2022-33, which was first heard and tabled for 30 days on June 9<sup>th</sup> before being pulled by Kanthak. The previous permit DR2022-33 was a request to lower a township road culvert (known hereafter as "south culvert") going under 488<sup>th</sup> Avenue and install approximately 2000' of 8" drainage tile on the same land as found in DR2022-45.

The new drainage permit request DR2022-45 would eliminate the lowering of the "south culvert" and would naturally drain approximately a 20-acre area through approximately 3000' of 8" tile with one 8" outlet. This outlet could flow as much as 185 gallons per minute at a .1% grade if running at full capacity. The water flows into the South Fork of the Yellow Bank River.

Berkner closed his report saying the six questions under section 101 as per SDCL 46-10A-20 were answered in the affirmative and the other list of questions in Section 313 and 317 supports the affirmative response.

Chairman Stengel then asked Kanthak for any additional information. Kanthak replied that the additional 1,000' of 8" tile would reduce the amount of water flowing through the "south culvert" he had sought to lower in the previous permit he pulled.

Chairman Stengel then opened the public hearing portion for this permit asking for comments in favor of the permit three times with no one responding. Chairman Stengel then called for anyone interested in speaking against this permit. Ben

Wollschlager stated that he thought that the lowering of the culvert prior to obtaining permit DR2022-33 hadn't been replaced at the same elevation it was originally installed. Wollschlager was also concerned that Kanthak didn't have a permit or permission from either the Adams Township or the County to lower the culvert which he felt hasn't been dealt with by the County. Auditor Layher referred to a letter Wollschlager had provided to Berkner on the drainage issues, that is on record in the Drainage office.

Berkner informed the board that he had been in contact with the Adams Township supervisors, and they had inspected the height and location of the "south culvert" on the township road that was replaced by Kanthak. The supervisors had confirmed they were satisfied with how the culvert was replaced and were seeking no other action from Kanthak. Stengel said he thought that the action of moving and then replacing the township culvert was a township matter.

Tostenson asked Berkner for more clarification on the "south culvert" that was seeking a permit to be lowered in DR2022-33. Berkner replied the Adams Township supervisors had said through a series of phone calls and text messages that they accepted the height and location of the culvert that had been dug up by Kanthak and then replaced. This correspondence is on file with the application and a copy was given to Auditor Layher.

Tostenson remarked that he too thought that if Wollschlager had a problem with the culvert height replaced by Kanthak to take it directly to the Adams Township supervisors which was confirmed by States Attorney Schwandt.

Kanthak said that the current tiling map did not indicate that they would be using three inlets. He then described where they were going to be located. Berkner said he would add those inlets to the tiling map provided. Street suggested that a fourth inlet could be added to catch water before it flows through the "south culvert" where Kanthak agreed he would do that. Stengel cautioned the drainage board on taking over the design of Kanthak's tiling project where that was not the role of the Drainage Board. Kanthak stated he had no problem adding the fourth inlet.

Street confirmed that he thought that adding a fourth inlet would help the water to flow north, but that only an engineer should determine if the old culvert could be removed. Wollschlager was recognized by Chairman Stengel, and he made the comment that he liked the idea of adding the fourth inlet eliminating as much water as possible from flowing through the "south culvert" that eventually affected the area he farmed.

Berkner was asked how big of an area would be drained directly if the fourth inlet was added by the south culvert. Berkner said that GIS topography information showed that roughly 10 acres of wooded area and an additional 10 acres of tillable land drained through that "south culvert." Berkner said he would add the four inlets to the tile map design and that the changes had no effect on either the public notice or the downstream landowner notifications.

Mach asked if french drains could be used in place of open inlets. Chairman Stengel asked Jerry Zubke, who runs a tiling company, his opinion on open inlets. Zubke stated that inlets are often needed to make a tile project work. The whole idea of an inlet is to get the water to flow underground rather than over it where it can pick up pollutants and sediment causing erosion.

Tostenson called for the question to be voted upon. Berkner was asked to read the conditions to be found in the final permit if passed. He said he was adding up to four open inlets to the original tile map in locations indicated by Kanthak during today's meeting.

With no further discussion Stengel called for the vote as stated with the condition of adding up to four inlets. Motion carried 5-0.

Permit DR2022-46 for Christian & Noble Karels for property owned by Paul Karels located in the SW1/4 EX OUTLOTS 1 & 2 OF KARELS OUTLOTS & EX OUTLOT 3 KARELS ADDITION & EX S1/2 SW1/4 SW1/4 SW1/4 & EX LOT 1 H1 IN SW1/4 in 4-120-48 (Alban West Township). Motion by Tostenson and seconded by Buttke to approve DR2022-46. Chairman Stengel asked Berkner to present his report on the permit.

Berkner stated this permit is to naturally drain about 15 additional acres to previously permitted areas in the SW1/4 of Section 4 located east of the City of Milbank just north of County Road 10. Berkner said the 15 acres of the 150-acre parcel in his estimation would have a small increase in water volume already being drained through the three existing outlets. There are two 8" and one 10" outlets. Berkner said in total the three outlets would have a maximum capacity of 710 gallons per minute at a .1% grade but emphasized that the additional 4" tile laterals would make up a small percentage of the total amount already being drained.

Berkner said he had been contacted by the adjacent landowner downstream of the project. Berkner provided him with a copy of the proposed tiling map and due to the small area of tile being added the landowner had no reservations with the project.

Berkner closed his report saying the six questions under section 101 as per SDCL 46-10A-20 were answered in the affirmative and the other list of questions in Section 313 and 317 supports the affirmative response.

Chairman Stengel asked Christian Karels for any comments on the permit. Karels said they were only adding tile to a few trouble areas that were overlooked in past tiling permits.

Chairman Stengel opened the public hearing for the permit asking three times for comments for or against the project. There were not any comments. Chairman Stengel closed the public comment period and called for the drainage board to begin their discussion.

Commissioner Street asked how often the slough receiving the drainage from this parcel of land overflows. Karels said that it does occasionally overflow but it affects their land first before draining through an existing culvert under (County Road 10) where it flows through a natural run.

With no more questions, Street asked the question to be called. Chairman Stengel called the vote. Motion carried 5-0.

This concluded the business for the Drainage Board. Chairman Stengel adjourned the Drainage Board and reconvened as the Board of Commissioners.

After a recess, Chairman Stengel agreed to reconvene the drainage board to allow the request from Francis Brandenburger to address the board concerning information relative to DR2022-33 that had been tabled by the drainage board in June where that permit was then pulled by the applicant.

Upon reconvening Auditor Layher commented that no action could be taken on Brandenburger's comments. Any discussion or action on the Board's part would need to be put on a future agenda.

Brandenburger expressed concern that a drainage project by Grant Street, DR2021-19 permitted last year in Adams East Township, may have moved an inlet about 1000' to the east from the Street property located in Section 9 to the Kanthak property located in Section 10, which wasn't indicated on the original permit. It was Brandenburger's opinion that that information should have been part of the Drainage Boards discussion on DR2022-33.



Berkner was asked to provide any information he had on this issue. Berkner stated he only had time to review the Street permit DR2021-19, located in the SE1/4 of Section 9, as well as the Kanthak permit DR2016-08, located in Section 10. Other permits may have additional information.

Berkner said the tile map for Permit DR2021-19 showed an inlet on the Street property just before a 15” tile pipe would cross the township road and go through the Kanthak property for 1000’ before it would eventually connect directly to a 24” tile on Brandenburger’s property. According to Berkner DR2021-19 did not indicate that the Kanthak property would add water through an inlet to the project permitted by Grant Street in DR2021-19.

Berkner said the Kanthak permit, DR2016-08, indicated an inlet that was to be installed just across the property line from the Street property, next to the township road, where a drainage ditch flowed from the eastside of Section 9 of Street’s land directly into the westside of Section 10 of Kanthak’s land. That inlet, and the water it collected from the Street land, would join a main and a series of laterals to be installed by Kanthak as part of permit DR2016-08.

Berkner said the 2016 Kanthak drainage permit indicated that the drainage tile being installed for their permit would eventually outlet on the west side of their property and drain by a natural drainage ditch before it entered Brandenburger’s property to drain through a natural run flowing straight north across the surface of Brandenburger’s land.

Tostenson stated this information should be presented at the next Drainage Board meeting with all affected property owners in attendance. Chairman Stengel and States Attorney Schwandt agreed.

This concluded the business for the Drainage Board. Chairman Stengel adjourned the Drainage Board and reconvened as the Board of Commissioners.

**Highway:** Supt Schultz presented a right-of-way occupancy application from Tim Zubke for the installation of a 18” pipe to be bored under County Road 4 (AKA 145<sup>th</sup> St) between Sections 15 and 22 in Melrose Twp. Motion by Street and seconded by Mach to approve ROW2022-10 occupancy application for Tim Zubke to bore under County Road 4 as presented. Motion carried 5-0. **Dike Road:** Supt Schultz presented a request from Big Stone City to close the Dike Road during a concert to be held in August. Big Stone County, MN has agreed to close the MN portion of the road and has offered to close and post Grant County’s west end of

the road. The road will be closed from 4 PM to 2 AM on the day of the concert. Motion by Tostenson and seconded by Buttke to approve the request as presented. Motion carried 5-0. County Tile: Supt Schultz and Jerry Zubke discussed extending the tile in the County ROW on the north side on CR #4 by Leslie Rethke's farm site. The cost would be approximately \$30,000 for a 15" dual wall pipe for 1,492 ft. This would move the water out of the county road ditch and send the water west and then north to a natural run on the north side of the Rethke farm site. The question was asked if the landowner would participate financially. Motion by Tostenson and seconded by Mach to table this project for 30 days and to have Auditor Layher contact the Rethke's regarding cost share of the project. Motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Buttke recusing himself from the discussion and vote.

Local Bridge Program: Motion by Mach and seconded by Tostenson to approve two resolutions to be sent to SD DOT to be considered under the Bridge Improvement Grant program for the Federal Replacement Project (Design and Construction) with zero cost share. Motion carried 5-0. Resolutions adopted.

**2022-09**

**Bridge Improvement Grant/Local Federal Bridge Programs  
Resolution Authorizing Submission of Applications**

WHEREAS, Grant County wishes to submit an application(s) for consideration of award for the Bridge Improvement Grant and/or Local Federal Bridge Programs:

STRUCTURE NUMBER(S) AND LOCATION(S):

Structure No. 26-296-020 located on 144<sup>th</sup> Street, 0.6 miles east of 476<sup>th</sup> Ave (SD Hwy 15)

and WHEREAS, Grant County certifies that the project(s) are listed in the county's Five-Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan\*;

and WHEREAS, Grant County agrees to pay the N/A% match on the Bridge Improvement Grant funds and/or 0.0% match on the Local Federal Bridge funds;

and WHEREAS, Grant County hereby authorizes the Bridge Improvement Grant and Local Federal Bridge application(s) and any required funding commitments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the South Dakota Department of Transportation be and hereby is requested to accept the attached Bridge Improvement Grant application(s) and/or Local Federal Bridge application(s).

Vote of Commissioners: Yes: 5 No: 0

Dated at Milbank, SD this 19th day of July 2022.

ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher  
County Auditor

Doug Stengel  
Chairman

**2022-10**  
**Bridge Improvement Grant/Local Federal Bridge Programs**  
**Resolution Authorizing Submission of Applications**

WHEREAS, Grant County wishes to submit an application(s) for consideration of award for the Bridge Improvement Grant and/or Local Federal Bridge Programs:

STRUCTURE NUMBER(S) AND LOCATION(S):

Structure No. 26-380-083 located on 487<sup>th</sup> Ave, 0.3 miles south of 150<sup>th</sup> Street

and WHEREAS, Grant County certifies that the project(s) are listed in the county's Five-Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan\*;

and WHEREAS, Grant County agrees to pay the N/A% match on the Bridge Improvement Grant funds and/or 0.0% match on the Local Federal Bridge funds;

and WHEREAS, Grant County hereby authorizes the Bridge Improvement Grant and Local Federal Bridge application(s) and any required funding commitments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the South Dakota Department of Transportation be and hereby is requested to accept the attached Bridge Improvement Grant application(s) and/or Local Federal Bridge application(s).

Vote of Commissioners: Yes: 5 No: 0

Dated at Milbank, SD this 19th day of July 2022.

ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher

County Auditor

Doug Stengel

Chairman

Five Year Plan: Motion by Mach and seconded by Butte to add the following bridge to the County's 5-year plan. Motion carried 5-0. Resolution adopted.

**2022-13**

**BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 5 YEAR COUNTY PLAN AMENDMENTS**

WHEREAS, Grant County wishes to amend their previously approved 5 Year County Plan for the Bridge Improvement Grant Program:

ADDITION OF STRUCTURE NUMBER(S) AND LOCATION(S):

26-293-210 located on 163<sup>rd</sup> St., 0.4 miles east of 476th Ave (SD Hwy 15)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the South Dakota Department of Transportation be and hereby is requested to accept the Amended 5 Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan, previously approved on 09-21-21.

Vote of Commissioners: Yes: 5 No: 0

Dated at Milbank, SD, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.

ATTEST:  
Karen M. Layher  
County Auditor

Doug Stengel  
Chairman

**BIG Program:** Motion by Street and seconded by Buttke to approve resolutions to be sent to SD DOT to be considered under the Bridge Improvement Grant / Local Federal Bridge Programs. Motion carried 5-0. Resolutions adopted.

**2022-11**

**Bridge Improvement Grant/Local Federal Bridge Programs  
Resolution Authorizing Submission of Applications**

WHEREAS, Grant County wishes to submit an application(s) for consideration of award for the Bridge Improvement Grant and/or Local Federal Bridge Programs:

STRUCTURE NUMBER(S) AND LOCATION(S):

Structure No. 26-293-210 located on 163<sup>rd</sup> Street, 0.4 miles east of 476<sup>th</sup> Ave (SD Hwy 15) and WHEREAS, Grant County certifies that the project(s) are listed in the county's Five-Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan\*;

and WHEREAS, Grant County agrees to pay the 20% match on the Bridge Improvement Grant funds and/or 0.0% match on the Local Federal Bridge funds;

and WHEREAS, Grant County hereby authorizes the Bridge Improvement Grant and Local Federal Bridge application(s) and any required funding commitments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the South Dakota Department of Transportation be and hereby is requested to accept the attached Bridge Improvement Grant application(s) and/or Local Federal Bridge application(s).

Vote of Commissioners: Yes: 5 No: 0

Dated at Milbank, SD this 19th day of July 2022.

ATTEST:  
Karen M. Layher  
County Auditor

Doug Stengel  
Chairman

**2022-12**

**Bridge Improvement Grant/Local Federal Bridge Programs  
Resolution Authorizing Submission of Applications**

WHEREAS, Grant County wishes to submit an application(s) for consideration of award for the Bridge Improvement Grant and/or Local Federal Bridge Programs:

STRUCTURE NUMBER(S) AND LOCATION(S):

Structure No. 26-320-101 located on 481<sup>st</sup> Ave, 0.2 miles south of 152<sup>nd</sup> Street and WHEREAS, Grant County certifies that the project(s) are listed in the county's Five-Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan\*;

and WHEREAS, Grant County agrees to pay the 20% match on the Bridge Improvement Grant funds and/or 0.0% match on the Local Federal Bridge funds;

and WHEREAS, Grant County hereby authorizes the Bridge Improvement Grant and Local Federal Bridge application(s) and any required funding commitments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the South Dakota Department of Transportation be and hereby is requested to accept the attached Bridge Improvement Grant application(s) and/or Local Federal Bridge application(s).

Vote of Commissioners: Yes: 5 No: 0

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ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher

County Auditor

Doug Stengel

Chairman

Federal grants for bridges: Auditor Layher informed the Commission on the information she had received on the Federal infrastructure funding. The minimum amount to request is \$3 million and it is a 20% local match. Government entities can apply together. The cost of engineering services and grant writing time is in addition to the 20% match.

**Special License:** The hearing for a special event malt beverage license was held with no members of the public present. The request for a malt beverage license is by the Reville Fire Dept for the purpose of a fundraiser to be held on August 6 at the former Grant-Deuel School. Certificate of insurance will be provided by the City of Reville. Motion by Mach and seconded by Tostenson to approve the malt beverage special event license for the Reville Fire Dept and to waive the \$100 fee for the license. Motion carried 5-0. Another request for a special event license is by the Spirit of the Cats Foundation for the purpose of a fundraiser to be held on August 6 at the former Grant-Deuel School. Certificate of insurance will be provided. Motion by Mach and seconded by Street to approve the wine special event license for the Spirit of the Cats Foundation and to waive the \$100 fee for the license. Motion carried 5-0.

**Economic Development:** Executive Director Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker provided information on a workforce development grant received from the Governor's Office, the development of workforce housing, the website development of the landing page or town square which acts as a digital media campaign promoting the cities, towns and county as a great place to live and work and how the county's allocation is used. Commissioner Tostenson suggested meeting with the development corporation members to discuss the goals of the county and economic development.

**2023 Provisional Budget:** The Commission continued discussion of the 2023 budget. Items discussed were the highway 5-year plan, revenue sources for general and the highway funds, requests from agencies and departments, salaries, and benefit package for employees. The public hearing for the 2023 budget will be September 6 at 9 AM.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** DOE Kathy Steinlicht reported she will be advertising for a deputy due to her deputy accepting a new job.

**Correspondence:** None

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

1. Approve agreement with Scantron in the amount of \$293.30 yearly for Courthouse wireless connection
2. Approve lease agreement with Xerox for copier in the ROD Office for \$95.22 per month (minimum cost)
3. Approve hiring of Tammy Snell as Deputy Treasurer effective 7-25-22 at \$17.95 per hour
4. Approve step increase for Candace Mohnsen to step 3 at \$15.80 per hour effective 7-6-22

**Claims:** Motion by Tostenson and seconded by Buttke to approve the claims. Motion carried 5-0. A-OX WELDING, supplies 17.11; AL'S BODY SHOP, repairs & maint 1,139.96; AUSTIN, STRAIT, BENSON, THOLE, prof services 90.90; AUTOVALUE, repairs & supplies 426.36; BEACON CENTER, 2<sup>nd</sup> qtr domestic abuse 252.00; BERENS MARKET, inmate meals 622.58; BORNS GROUP, mailing expense 1,547.66; BREWSTER BUILDING CENTER, supplies 76.95; BUTLER, repairs & supplies 432.49; CENGAGE LEARNING, books 30.39; CENTER POINT, books 370.92; CENTURYLINK, phone 154.34; CHS, diesel fuel & gas 14,097.85; CITY OF MILBANK, water & sewer 273.75; CITY OF WATERTOWN, non-emergency dispatch 6,000.00; CONNIE PETERSON, prof services 60.00; CONSOLIDATED READY MIX, gravel 11,935.72; CORRIE QUALE, repairs & maint 157.00; CRAIG DEBOER, car wash usage 187.62; CUMMINS, repairs 281.21; CUSTODIAN SERVICES, minor equip 179.99; DAKOTA FLUID POWER, supplies 258.99; DAKOTA POWER EQUIPMENT, repairs & supplies 207.70; DALE'S ALIGNMENT, repairs & supplies 566.50; DAVID DAHLBERG, minor equip 9,149.20; DEAN SCHAEFER COURT REPORTING, prof services 30.00; DEMCO, supplies 168.37; DIESEL MACHINERY, major equip 49,998.00; ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, prof services 3,100.14; FIRST DISTRICT, prof services 9,595.77; FISHER SAND

& GRAVEL, gravel 504.17; G & R CONTROLS, computer maint 2,180.62; FOOD-N-FUEL, inmate meals 739.90; GRANT COUNTY REVIEW, publishing 1,029.91; GRANT-ROBERTS RURAL WATER, water usage 46.10; HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY, appropriations 8,031.36; INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES, books 718.68; INTER-LAKES COMM ACT service worker 2,605.25; ITC, phone & internet 1,426.53; INTOXIMETERS, supplies 320.00; ISTATE TRUCK, repairs & maint 227.32; JASON LIEBE, prof services 975.00; JASON SACKREITER, garbage service 400.00; KJ & K FLOWERS, supplies 45.00; LARRY HOLTON, 4-H building 4,680.00; LEWIS, inmate rx & supplies 633.81; MANUEL CARDENAS, repairs & maint 411.30; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, scanner rent 620.00; MICROMARKETING, audio/visuals 216.74; MILBANK AUTO PARTS, supplies 509.83; MUNDWILER FUNERAL HOME, prof services 3,500.00; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, natural gas 97.96; NOVAK SANITARY SERVICE, shredding services 94.48; OTTER TAIL POWER, electricity 3,242.97; QUICK PRO LUBE, oil chg & supplies 87.96; RC TECHNOLOGIES, 911 transport & tower rent 95.96; REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY, supplies 222.39; RELX, online charges 725.00; RIVER STREET PETROLEUM, diesel fuel 6,754.50; RUNNINGS, supplies 467.36; SANFORD HEALTH, prof services 1,481.25; SCANTRON, prof services 4,906.30; SCOTT BRATLAND, court appt atty 5,292.90; MATT SCOTT, prof services 65.00; SD ASSN CO COMMISSIONERS, clerp 523.00; SD DEPT OF HEALTH, blabs & health nurse 2,193.25; STAR LAUNDRY, prof services 84.40; STAR TRIBUNE, periodicals 205.30; STATE OF SD, supplies 55.00; STREET GRAPHEX, supplies 132.06; TRAPP PLUMBING, repair & maint 113.22; TRUENORTH STEEL, culverts 22,416.70; TWIN VALLEY TIRE, repairs & tires 2,240.29; VALLEY OFFICE PRODUCTS, supplies 4,977.36; VALLEY SHOPPER, publishing 53.16; VANDER HAAGS, parts 1,082.00; VERIZON, hotspot 38.52; VISA, books, gas, supplies 3,260.65; WEST CENTRAL COMMUNICATION, repairs & maint 317.00; WHETSTONE VALLEY ELECTRIC, electricity 700.85; WS LEASING, 4-H building 224,348.67; XEROX, copier rent 982.74; ZEM'S FRESH STARTS, supplies 28.55; iLOOKABOUT, computer software 235.00.  
TOTAL: \$428,752.74.

Payroll for the following departments and offices for the July 14, 2022, payroll are as follows: COMMISSIONERS 3,335.90; AUDITOR 8,353.56; ELECTION 585.21; TREASURER 3,957.31; STATES ATTORNEY 7,116.60; CUSTODIANS 2,868.50; DIR. OF EQUALIZATION 4,219.20; REG. OF DEEDS 4,349.00; VET. SERV. OFFICER 1,087.24; SHERIFF 14,711.19; COMMUNICATION CTR 7,500.81; PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE 1,108.26; ICAP 195.00; VISITING NEIGHBOR 1,517.05; LIBRARY 8,120.09; 4-H 3,659.45; WEED CONTROL

3,561.25; P&Z 1,139.60; DRAINAGE 691.90; ROAD & BRIDGE 34,603.95; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2,511.00. TOTAL: \$115,192.07.

Payroll Claims: FIRST BANK & TRUST, Fed WH 9,212.52; FIRST BANK & TRUST, FICA WH & Match 14,043.22; FIRST BANK & TRUST, Medicare WH & Match 3,284.34; AAA COLLECTIONS, deduction 23.72; ACCOUNTS MANAGEMENT, deduction 145.32; AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE, AFLAC ins. 1,507.22; WELLMARK-BLUE CROSS OF SD, Employee health ins. 919.79; OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT, child support 210.00; SDRS SUPPLEMENTAL, deduction 1,454.33; SDRS, retire 12,868.33. TOTAL: \$43,668.79.

Primary Election \$8,971.14.

MONTHLY FEES: SDACO, ROD modernization fee 212.00; SD DEPT OF REVENUE, monthly fees 218,207.37; SD DEPT OF REVENUE, sales & use tax 224.28. TOTAL: \$218,643.65.

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

The next scheduled meeting dates will be August 2 and 16 and September 6 and 20, 2022 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.