

June 20, 2017

The Grant County Commission met at 8AM with Commissioners Buttke, Dummann, Mach and Street present. Commissioner Stengel was absent. Chairman Mach called the meeting to order. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2017 meeting with the following corrections: under the Vernon Twp Culvert section, the motion was made by Dummann not Street and Commissioner Street voted nay on the motion; under the section to surplus a vehicle, the Tahoe is a 2011 not a 2010. Motion carried 4-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Street to approve the agenda with a correction on the plat description to list Kilborn not Melrose Twp. Motion carried 4-0.

Members of the public present were Ethan Fish, Joe Sousa, Jerry Zubke, Bobbi Bohlen, Jon Wold, Garry Harstad, Arlo Christians, Tyler Wilhelm, Miles Schumacher and Jason Utton.

The Auditor's account with the Treasurer for May 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 May, 2017

Cash on Hand	\$2,090.59
Checks in Treasurer's possession less than 3 days	\$35,797.96
Cash Items	\$0.00
TOTAL CASH ASSETS ON HAND	\$37,888.55
RECONCILED CHECKING	
First Bank & Trust	\$6,722.91
Interest	\$0.00
Credit Card Transactions First Bank & Trust (Svgs)	\$134.83
	\$6,283,426.05
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	
First Bank & Trust	\$0.00
First Bank & Trust (TIF)	\$432,571.86
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	\$6,760,744.20

GENERAL LEDGER CASH BALANCES:

General	\$3,243,917.77
General restricted cash	\$870,932.00
Cash Accounts for Offices General Fund	\$605.00
Sp. Revenue	\$458,249.23
Sp. Revenue restricted cash	\$0.00
Henze Road District	\$17.33
TIF Apportioning Northern Lights	\$0.00
TIF Milbank	\$0.00
TIF Northern Lights	\$432,571.86
Trust & Agency	\$1,754,451.01
(schools 1,332,408.66, twps 79,271.08 city/towns 97,864.23)	

TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH**\$6,760,744.20**Dated this 14th day of June, 2017

Karen M. Layher

County Auditor

Sheriff's fees for the month of May were \$7,850.25 with \$3,146.25 receipted into the County's General Fund. The Register of Deeds fees for the month of May were \$8,052.50. The Clerk of Courts fees for the month of May were \$9,446.06

Highway: Ethan Fish and Joe Sousa who have properties south of Milbank along Highway 15 were present. Ethan requested to have the county road ditch cleaned out of cattails going east of the radio station as he believes the cattails impedes the drainage flow. Kerwin reported the county surveyed the ditch and there is a drop from the state highway to the first tile inlet and from there to the second inlet there is a slight rise in elevation. Water is flowing down along the ditch at a slow rate. Kerwin will have the county personnel clean out the cattails as an attempt to improve the flow. **ROW:** Supt. Schultz presented right-of-way occupancy applications from ITC for construction of buried fiber optic cable to upgrade their Waubay exchange. The crossing of county roads will be in Blooming Valley and Lura Twps. Maps are on file in the Auditor's Office. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve ROW 2017-21 and ROW 2017-22 as presented. Motion carried 4-0. **Mechanic:** Motion by Street and seconded by Dummann to approve the hiring of Marcis Joachim for the position of Hwy Mechanic at \$17.40 per hour effective 06-19-2017. Motion carried. **BIG Grants:** Supt Schultz provided the Commission with the list of 2017 awards for the Preliminary Engineering and Bridge Replacement Grant awards indicating the score per application. On the 2017 preliminary engineering applications, 29 projects were approved. Grant County's project came in at number 32. Under the bridge replacement grant application program, the SDDOT approved seven projects. Grant County's project

for structure 26-325-222, located .5 miles south of Revillo on 482nd Ave came in at the number eleven spot. We will reapply for this bridge replacement grant for this structure in 2018. Shop: Mid Continental Restoration Company has completed an inspection of the exterior walls of the highway shop building. The building has not had any repair or maintenance on the outer walls since the building was built. The mortar and seams are in need of repair. The contract from MCR is for \$45,220. There is a possibility of the work being completed this fall or otherwise, it will be done in the spring of 2018. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to authorize Chairman Mach to sign the contract with MCR for \$45,220. Motion carried 4-0.

Economic Development: Executive Director Bobbi Bohlen reported housing continues to be a primary focus of the board who is seeking area contractors to partner with landowners and the City of Milbank to build residential housing. The 3-part Lunch and Learn on the basics how to start a new business continues. Next week a session will be offered on Tax Incremental Financing (TIF). The bill board is up on the east edge of town.

Grant Deuel School: The changes to the resolution prepared by States Attorney Reedstrom were reviewed. The changes include accruing interest to the gift of funds received from the school and if a portion or wing of the building is removed, the funds could be accessed to pay for the cost of this partial demolition. The Commission had asked to include in the resolution a statement that the land stays with the buildings as the sale of the land would help offset cost of demolition. Mark explained a restriction or covenant on a deed to keep the entire parcel of land intact is what the owner of the land would place on the property, not an item the county could request be listed in the resolution as that would affect the title and possibly restrict potential buyers. Finally, Mark reported the county is not required to take any property after the redemption period of the Tax Deed process is complete as there may be times when the liability of taking a property is too great. School Board members Wold and Harstad reiterated the intent of the gift of money is to provide some financial assistance to the county if at some point over the next 25 years the county acquires the property and determines the buildings need to be demolished. The resolution will be presented at the next school board meeting.

Geronimo/Next Era: Chairman Mach read emails from Jay Hesse and Melissa Schmidt with Geronimo, who reported a letter of intent had been signed between the two companies on the crossing of lines and land. Tyler Wilhelm with Next Era was present and reiterated the letter of intent had been signed and assured the Commission they would continue a good working relationship with Geronimo.

With this agreement being signed, the crossing at location CAT 25, the Arlo Christians property, will now be accessible and the poles will be located outside of the County ROW. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Street to reconsider the motion made on December 20, 2016, for the CAT 25 crossing. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to amend the motion of December 29, 2016 to state all wind energy poles must be located out of the County right-of-ways. The crossing of a county road with lines will be considered through the ROW occupancy permit application. Motion carried 4-0.

Travel: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Street to approve travel expenses for Hwy Sec Sheryl Ward to attend D-Ware Conference in Oacoma, DOE Kathy Steinlicht and Deputy Ryan Gruba to attend annual school in Pierre and for VSO Malimanek to attend annual training in Pierre. Motion carried 4-0.

Tax Deed Property: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to accept seal bids on property owned by Grant County, acquired by Tax Deed, with a legal description of Lot 17, Block 59, Original Townsite, City of Milbank. Sealed bids must be received by 5 PM on July 28. Minimum bid of \$2000. Special assessment of \$1599.52. Motion carried 4-0.

Sheriff: A thank you was received from Jim Kramer, Safety Coordinator for the Big Stone Power Plant, expressing appreciation to Sheriff Owen and Deputy Leusink for the excellent presentation on Drug Awareness. Statistics for the month of May for the Detention Center and Sheriff's Office are as follows: Average Daily inmate population 6.25; Number of bookings 20; Work release money collected \$315.00; 24/7 Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) fees collected \$154.00; SCRAM (alcohol detecting bracelet) fees collected \$600.00; 24/7 PBT participants 4; SCRAM (Sobriety Program) participants 1; Calls for Service (does not include walk-in traffic) 415; Accidents investigated 5; Civil papers served 84; Cumulative miles traveled 7,232; 911 calls responded to 82.

First District: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried 4-0. Resolution adopted.

2017-20

RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE SUPPORT FOR THE
FIRST DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
DURING FISCAL YEAR 2018
(OCTOBER 1, 2017 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2018)

The Grant County Board of County Commissioners, having adopted and signed a Joint Cooperative Agreement on the 6th day of April, 1972, creating the First Planning and Development District, Model Rural Development Program, do hereby agree to renew their participation in the Joint Cooperative Agreement for the Fiscal Year 2018 (October 1, 2017-September 30, 2018). To support the Joint Cooperative Agreement and the activities of the District staff, the Grant County Board of County Commissioners will provide \$14,954.64 to the First District Association of Local Governments during the aforementioned Fiscal Year 2018 period.

ADOPTION:

Adopted this 20st day of June, 2017
Michael J Mach, Chairman
Grant County Commission

ATTEST:

Karen M. Layher
Grant County Auditor

Courthouse Repair: Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to approve a contract with Hasslen Construction to repair skylight framing in the Courtroom for a cost not to exceed \$2350. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve a contract with Hasslen Construction to repair a soffit/wall in the Clerk of Courts vault for \$2,150. Motion carried 4-0.

Clerk of Courts: The commission reviewed a revised quote \$20,500 to update the 3rd floor office space to house the Clerk of Courts office. The 2017 Legislature has appropriated grant funding for court house security. If a grant is awarded, the grant would be for 50% of the cost of the project. Motion by Street and seconded by Buttke to authorize Chairman Mach to sign a letter to be sent to the State Court Administrator requesting grant funding for the remodel project of 3rd floor office space to house the Clerk of Courts office. Motion carried 4-0.

Courthouse Property: A request from Calvary Assembly Church to use the front lawn area of the Courthouse for a concert stage was discussed. No action taken.

Cash Transfer: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve the cash transfer as per the 2017 budget. Motion carried 4-0.

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
101 General	766 Law Library Fund	3,800

Executive Session: Motion by Street and seconded by Dummann to enter into executive session at 10:26 AM for the purpose of a personnel issue pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1) and a litigation issue pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3). Motion carried 4-0. Auditor Layher and States Attorney Reedstrom were present. Chairman Mach declared the meeting open to the public at 11:02 AM. No action taken.

P & Z: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve the re-appointment of Don Weber as an alternate to the P & Z Board for a 3 year term ending 5-1-2020. Motion carried 4-0.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

1. Approve Plats:

2017-19

COUNTY COMMISSION RESOLUTION

It was moved by Commissioner Dummann, seconded by Commissioner Buttke, motion carried that the Lot 1 of Jason Grabow Addition, located in the N1/2-NE1/4 of Section 25, Township 121 North, Range 49 West of the 5th P.M., Grant County, South Dakota (Kilborn Twp) as described above and hereon be approved and accepted and the Chairman is hereby instructed to endorse on such plat this resolution and to certify the same.

Michael J. Mach
Chairman, Board of Commissioners
Grant County, South Dakota

Unfinished Business: Commissioner Buttke reported on the inspection of the storm shelter with Gray Construction, the General Contractor and the Architectural firm of Civil Design. Some issues will need to be addressed before the commission will be able to sign off on the final project.

New Business: July 3 and 4 will be observed as holidays as declared by Governor Daugaard.

Correspondence: None

Claims: Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 4-0. A-OX WELDING, supplies 40.15; ACTIVE DATA

SYSTEMS, prof service 747.68; AVERA- MILBANK HOSPITAL, BLAB 768.00; BERENS, supplies 498.54; BORNES GROUP, mailing expense 1,010.61; BOYER TRUCK, parts 221.72; BUREAU OF INFO & TELE, internet & email 512.00; BUTLER, parts 859.79; CENTER POINT, books 351.72; CENTURYLINK, phone 587.21; CITY OF WATERTOWN, 911 surcharge 6,568.29; COESTER SCHWANDT LAW, mental illness bd 150.00; CONSOLIDATED READY MIX, gravel 1,826.52; CRAIG DEBOER, car wash 91.54; DAVE'S WINDOW CLEANING, prof service 3,475.00; DAY CO SHERIFFS, prisoner care 1,190.00; DELORIS J RUFER, rent 100.00; DESIGN ELECTRONICS, computer supplies 101.75; DR BRYAN JOHNSON, prisoner care 232.00; DUANE D ATHEY, repair & parts 126.97; EQUIPMENT BLADES, blades 4,396.00; FREMAREK, supplies 134.64; G & K SERVICES, supplies 59.62; GALL'S, supplies 79.30; GRANT CO HIST SOC, allocation 5,000.00; GRANT CO SHERIFF, postage 8.19; GRANT CO SOIL CONSERVATION, allocation 12,000.00; GRAY CONSTRUCTION, storm shelter 33,920.60; HARTMAN'S, 4-H supplies & prisoner groceries 890.62; INGRAM, books & AV 785.21; INTER-LAKES COMM ACTION, worker 2,104.92; INTERSTATE TELECOMMUNICATION, internet & phone 1,234.88; JMS RENTALS, summer program rentals 50.00; KIBBLE EQUIPMENT, parts 373.10; LABOLT DEVELOP CO, rent & internet 45.00; LARRY J TRAPP, prof service 188.19; LEWIS FAMILY DRUG, prisoner care 209.22; MANUEL CARDENAS, prof service 1,413.40; MCLEOD'S, supplies 87.91; MICROFILM IMAGING, scanner rent 362.00; MICRO MARKETING, A/V 39.99; MILBANK AREA CHAMBER, supplies for summer program 200.00; MOMAR, supplies 469.73; MT LIBRARY SERVICES, books 45.00; NELSON LAW OFFICE, allocation 3,854.25; OFFICE PEEPS, supplies 16.48; OTTER TAIL POWER, electricity 2,670.97; PARK HOSPITALITY, rooms 522.00; QUICK PRO LUBE, battery 259.95; RC TECHNOLOGIES, 911 transport & tower rent 95.96; SCOTT R BRATLAND, ct appt atty 300.00; SD DEPT OF REVENUE, BLAB 450.00; SDAAO, registration 600.00; SDVSOA, dues & registration 75.00; ST WILLIAMS, prisoner laundry 422.10; TECH ONE, supplies 246.00; TRUENORTH STEEL, culverts 21,644.52; UPI PETROLEUM, ethanol & diesel fuel 5,190.15; VALLEY OFFICE, supplies 702.61; VALLEY SHOPPER, publishing 135.24; VERIZON WIRELESS, hotspot 38.52; WHETSTONE VALLEY ELECTRIC, electricity 538.79; WITTROCK & SON, garbage service 500.00; XEROX, copier rent 495.98; SD ATTY GENERAL, SCRAM & 24/7 fees 630.00; SDACO, modernization fee 296.00. TOTAL: \$123,241.53.

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 regular meeting dates will be July 5 and 18, 2017 at 8 AM. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Dummann to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned.

Karen M. Layher, Grant County Auditor

Michael J. Mach, Chairman, Grant County