

March 7, 2017

The Grant County Commission met at 8AM with Commissioners Buttke, Dummann, Mach, Stengel and Street. Chairman Mach called the meeting to order. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Buttke to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0. Minutes filed. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Street to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Members of the public present were Kristie Mogen, Vince Meyer, Tim Rabe, Roger Loeschke, Adam Pauli, Don Weber, Jim DeVaal, Kevin Granquist, Gary Granquist, Holli Seehafer with the Grant County Review and Ginny Tostenson with the Valley Express News.

**Drainage:** Chairman Mach adjourned the Board of Commissioners and convened the commission acting as the Drainage Board. The Drainage Officer presented Permit DR2017-02 for applicant Kevin Granquist for the E1/2 in 14-119-50 (Stockholm). Landowner James Thompson signed the application. Permit is in order. Adjacent landowners have signed the application and the NRCS letter is on file. Kevin stated the request is to improve the crop land and stop erosion. Commissioner Dummann reported he had reviewed the project with the applicant. The tile outlet is on the owner's land and drains into a natural run. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Stengel to approve DR 2017-02 as presented. Motion carried 5-0. Permit DR2017-03 for owner Gary Granquist in the NE1/4 in 23-119-50 (Stockholm). Drainage Officer reported the permit is in order. NRCS letter is on file. The adjoining landowner has signed the application. The outlet will be in the SE ¼ of Section 14. Gary stated he will be requesting permission from the State to bore through the highway with the tile to establish the correct depth for the tile drain as the present culvert is not at the correct depth for the tile project. Commissioner Dummann stated he had reviewed the project with the applicant. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Street to approve DR2017-03. Motion carried 5-0. Permit DR2017-04 for owner Adam Pauli in the SE1/4 in 33-120-50 (Twin Brooks). This tiling project includes three Water and Sediment Control Basins (WASCOB) projects prepared by the NRCS. The tile outlet is on adjoining landowner's land with one outlet going into a stock dam and another outlet south of the stock dam. The adjoining landowner's signature has been obtained. The NRCS plan is on file. The tile project covers 31 acres. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Street to approve DR 2017-04 as presented. Motion carried 5-0. This

concluded the business for the drainage board. Chairman Mach adjourned the Drainage Board and reconvened the Board of Commissioners.

**Highway:** Supt Schultz stated Big Stone Twp Supervisor Tim Rabe and landowner Greg Kellan were present to discuss the pony truss bridge. Kerwin stated after the last bridge inspection the 98 foot bridge did not pass inspection as the rating was under three ton. The road was blocked to prevent traffic from crossing the bridge. The estimated cost to replace the bridge is estimated to be over \$700,000. Greg Kellan stated the closing of the road affects eight families. Hauling feed or going to the fields adds another 4 miles as his farm is a split farm on both sides of the creek. He believes the lost infrastructure will have an impact on the area residents. Supervisor Rabe asked if there were any other options. A discussion was held on adding this bridge to the 5 year plan and applying for a BIG grant. Supt Schultz does not believe the bridge would qualify because of the cost, traffic count and other routes available. Greg asked the commission to look at funding options for replacement. No action taken at the present time. **Mailbox Policy:** The mailbox damage policy was reviewed which lists the criteria for reimbursement if a mailbox is damaged as a result of the plow operator damaging the mailbox. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to approve the Winter Mailbox Damage Policy as presented to the Commission. Motion carried 5-0. Policy on file in the Auditor's Office and will be available on the County's website. **Ordinance 2017-01:** Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to set April 4 at 8:30 AM for the first reading and public hearing of Ordinance 2017-01, An Ordinance Providing for the Removal of Obstructions from the Grant County Highway Right-of-Ways and Prohibiting the Placement of Snow From Private Driveways onto Grant County Highway Right-Of-Ways. Motion carried 5-0. **Change Order:** Motion by Dummann and seconded by Street to approve Change Order Number 4F in the amount of \$20,423.75 for the County Road 8 asphalt project due to an increase in diesel motor fuel and diesel burner fuel. Motion carried 5-0. **Bid Letting:** Motion by Dummann and Stengel to set April 4 for the annual bid letting with the bid opening to be March 30 at 1PM. Motion carried 5-0.

#### BIDS FOR FUEL

DATE	BIDDER	ETHANOL	DIESEL #1	DIESEL #2
01/04	UPI		2.08	
	Cenex		2.25	
UPI was the low bidder for a blend of Diesel 1 & 2 at 2.08.				
01/13	UPI	2.149	2.05	
	Cenex	2.27	2.25	

UPI was the low bidder for Ethanol at 2.149 and for a blend of Diesel 1 & 2 at 2.05.

01/24	UPI		2.025
	Cenex		2.20

UPI was the low bidder for a blend of Diesel 1 & 2 at 2.025.

02/03	UPI	2.114	
	Cenex	No Bid	

UPI was the only bidder for Ethanol at 2.114.

02/27	UPI	2.099	1.957
	Cenex	2.17	1.95

UPI was the low bidder for Ethanol at 2.099 and Cenex was the low bidder for a blend of Diesel 1 & 2 at 1.95.

**P & Z:** Commissioner Buttke introduced Don Weber to the commission who gave a brief synopsis of his work experience. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to approve the appointment of Don Weber to the P & Z Board to fill the alternate position vacated by Val Cameron. Motion carried 5-0.

**P & Z Hearing:** A joint public hearing was held at 9 AM with the P & Z Board. P & Z members present were Chairman Nancy Johnson, Richard Hansen, Tom Pillatzki, Bob Spartz, Don Weber and David Kruger. The purpose of the joint hearing was to hear testimony on proposed Ordinance 2016-01B. The P & Z Officer opened the hearing with a brief overview of the proposed ordinance which is written to add a new section to the zoning ordinance on agribusinesses or light industrial. Currently, the present ordinance would not allow an ag business such as a small feed mill or a custom harvesting to operate on a site outside of the definition of a home based operation. There is a gap in the present ordinance as there is not a space for anything smaller than an elevator or larger than a home occupation. The new section being proposed will establish an agribusiness definition and will allow an agricultural business to operate in an ag district without rezoning the site to a commercial designation. Chairman Mach opened the hearing to public comment. Questions and issues discussed were: Size of lot requirements, noise, operating an agribusiness on the same property as the owner's residence. Chairman Mach closed the public portion of the hearing to allow discussion between the two boards. Commissioner Street inquired if there are any applications pending at the present time. Krista stated she does not have any at the present time as she could not site them based on the present ordinance. P & Z member Bob Spartz and Commissioner Dummann expressed concerns of too many regulations now and for the future. The P & Z Board brought forth a motion to send proposed Ordinance 2016-01B to the Commission for their consideration.

Chairman Mach called for a motion. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to hold the first reading of Ordinance 2016-01B by title only and to set March 21 at 8:30 AM for the second reading. Motion carried 4-0. Commissioner Stengel abstained. Auditor Layher read the titled ordinance.

**ORDINANCE #2016-01B**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GRANT COUNTY ORDINANCE #2004-1, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS FOR GRANT COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, ENFORCEMENT, AND AMENDMENT THEREOF, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTERS 11-2, 1967 SDCL, AND AMENDMENTS THEREOF, AND FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH**  
**Chapter 1215. Agribusiness Activities**

**Weed:** Present was Weed Supervisor Nathan Mueller who reported on the annual weed conference where he was presented an award for the work on behalf of the county to locate and rate test plots for thistle, leafy spurge and golden rod. The Commission extended their appreciation to Nathan for his work and on receiving the award. Nathan also reviewed the 2016 ROW Spraying Report indicating a total of 3556.5 miles were sprayed and 1137 gallons of 2-4 D was used and 21.5 gallons of Tordon was used.

**Sheriff:** Kevin Owen requested travel approval for Deputy Steffenson and himself to attend Annual Sheriff Conference in Deadwood and for Dispatcher Susan Busk to attend The Sex Offender Conference in Deadwood. Motion by Dummann and seconded by Stengel to approve the travel requests as presented. Motion carried 5-0. **Petty Cash Acct:** Sheriff Owen requested the Commission to close the Drug Control Petty Cash Account as the account is no longer required. Motion by Stengel and seconded by Street to authorize the Petty Cash Account of \$1000 be closed and the disbursement of \$430 be expensed and the \$570 be receipted into the General Fund. Motion carried 5-0.

**2016 Annual Report:** The 2016 Annual report was presented to the Commission who reviewed cash balances, changes in revenue and expense for 2016. The Commission also reviewed the Statement of Net Position, Statement of Activities, Revenue and Expense, Long Term Debt Schedule and a Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the General and Highway Fund of Government activities by type. The January 1, 2016 beginning net position was 3,492,105.51 and the December 31, 2016 net position balance is 3,883,362.20 indicating a change in assets of \$391,256.69 for 2016. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Street to accept the annual report as presented. Motion carried 5-0. The annual report is on file in the Auditor's Office.

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

1. Motion to set annual land lease sale for March 21 at 9 AM
2. Declare surplus a computer corner desk from the Sheriff's Office, fixed asset number 8498
3. Approve step increase to Step 1 at \$12.95 per hour for Visiting Neighbor Aide Marie Loutsch effective 2-17-17
4. Approve step increase to Step 4 at \$14.65 per hour for Dispatcher Ashley Belden effective 3-1-17

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:** None

**Correspondence:** A thank you note received from the Street family.

**Claims:** Motion by Stengel and seconded by Buttke to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 5-0. AASON ENGINEERING, prof service 3,741.00; AVERA-MILBANK CLINIC, prof service 106.00; BRENDA L HOLTQUIST, prof service 108.50; CENTER POINT, books 542.21; CHS-BORDERS STATES, diesel fuel 3,176.55; CITY OF MILBANK, water & sewer 541.81; CNH INDUSTRIAL, supplies 126.00; DELANEY COMM, AV 125.00; DEMCO, supplies 204.35; DOUGLAS B ENGEBRETSON, books 541.23; G & K SERVICES, supplies 59.62; GALE GROUP, books 249.50; GRANT CO SHERIFF, postage 5.34; GRANT CO REVIEW, subsc 37.00; GRANT-ROBERTS RURAL WATER, rural water 32.20; GRANT/ROBERTS AMBULANCE, allocation 2,458.33; GRAY CONSTRUCTION, storm shelter 11,662.00; ITC, phone & internet 1,150.17; JOHN GILL, reimbursement 5,245.59; MAS MODERN MARKETING, supplies 129.00; MCLEOD'S, supplies 346.44; MIDCONTINENT, internet 69.23; MIDSTATES EQUIPMENT, asphalt 11,466.00; MILBANK AUTO PARTS, parts & supplies 340.38; MILBANK COMMUNICATIONS, repair 112.50; MT LIBRARY SERVICES, books 373.20; NATIONAL SHERIFFS ASSOC, dues 60.00; NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIP, parts 402.90; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, nat gas 519.43; NOVAK SANITARY SERVICE, shredding service 50.00; OFFICE PEEPS, supplies 93.21; PCMG, computer supplies 376.97; CROSSROADS, rooms 497.94; QUICK PRO LUBE, oil chg 42.51; RDO, air filters 287.02; REED ELSEVIER, subsc 700.00; SD DEPT TRANS, hwy projects 111.48; SD STATE HIST SOC, membership

40.00; SD PROPERTY, supplies 162.50; TECH ONE, supplies 698.00; TRACY KURTZ, prof service 280.00; TWIN VALLEY TIRE, tire repair 165.65; UNZEN MOTORS, parts 149.74; WAYDE FRAASCH, prof service 160.00; WILLIAM E COESTER, ct appt atty 1,863.00; WITTROCK & SON, garbage service 150.00; GRANT CO HWY, postage 19.46; MIDCONTINENT, internet 69.23; JOANN PAULSON, prof serv 357.50; SDACC, regis 100.00. TOTAL: \$50,305.69.

Payroll for the following departments and offices for the month of February 2017 are as follows: COMMISSIONERS 4987.60; AUDITOR 14,304.17; TREASURER 9623.84; STATES ATTORNEY 11,014.04; CUSTODIANS 4949.63; DIR. OF EQUALIZATION 7729.77; REG. OF DEEDS 7023.97; VET. SERV. OFFICER 1396.85; SHERIFF 18,602.44; COMMUNICATION CTR 12,502.00; PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE 2490.41; ICAP 680.40; VISITING NEIGHBOR 2751.36; LIBRARY 12,439.35; 4-H 4094.85; WEED CONTROL 3470.05; PLAN & ZONING 1923.85; ROAD & BRIDGE 52,827.90; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 3489.00; CORONER 72.40. TOTAL: \$176,373.88.

Payroll Claims: FIRST BANK & TRUST, Fed WH 16,946.40; FIRST BANK & TRUST, FICA WH & Match 21,233.74; FIRST BANK & TRUST, Medicare WH & Match 4965.94; AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE, AFLAC ins. 1977.08; WELLMARK-BLUE CROSS OF SD, Employee and Commission health ins. 47,335.67; DEARBORN NATIONAL, life ins. 248.86; LEGAL SHIELD, deduction 159.35; OPTILEGRA, ins 362.07; SDSR SUPPLEMENTAL, deduction 3185.00; AAA Collections, deduction 142.45; SDRS, retire 19,036.43, US DEPT OF ED, 188.29. TOTAL: \$115,781.28.

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 March 21 and April 4, 11(Equalization) and 18, 2017 and at 8 AM. Motion by Buttke and seconded by Stengel to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

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Karen M. Layher, Grant County Auditor

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Mike Mach, Chairman, Grant County Comm.