

March 3, 2015

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Members present: Mockler, Packard, Powell, Passick and Manning.

Packard moved, seconded by Manning and carried to approve the agenda with the addition of Welfare Case #C15-06.

Minutes of the February 24, 2015 meeting were approved with a motion by Packard, seconded by Manning and carried.

Rod Polley, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Passick moved, seconded by Manning and carried to accept Beadle County's bids for metal culverts, bridge decking, guardrail, steel piling, bridge lumber, galvanized sheet piling, and grader blades from TrueNorth Steel.

At 9:15 a.m., bid opening commenced for highway materials. Bids were opened and read aloud. As was the process in previous years, Powell moved, seconded by Manning and carried to have Polley review the bids and return at the next meeting for the Commissioners' acceptance.

At 9:30 a.m., a public hearing was held for the second reading & adoption of Ordinance #2015-01, an Ordinance Imposing a County Wheel Tax. The ordinance was read aloud. Packard moved, seconded by Powell, to adopt Ordinance #2015-01, an Ordinance Imposing a County Wheel Tax. Paul Hasse was present and challenged the ordinance by saying the Board did not vote on the ordinance at the first reading. State's Attorney Teddi Gertsma cited SDCL 7-18A-6, "The vote on all ordinances on the second reading shall be taken by yeas and nays and entered in the minutes of the meeting." She advised the Board that it would have been premature to vote until the second reading. Vote of the Board: Mockler aye, Packard aye, Powell aye, Manning aye, Passick aye. Motion passed 5-0. Powell moved, seconded by Passick to authorize the Chairman to sign Ordinance #2015-01. Vote of the Board: Mockler aye, Packard aye, Powell aye, Manning aye, Passick aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Cynthia Aden, Welfare Director, met with the Board to present Welfare Case #C15-06 for a county burial. Powell moved, seconded by Packard and carried to approve the application as the individual met welfare guidelines.

Uncollected property taxes were discussed, as it was a topic that the State Auditor reported on when he completed the audit. Teddi Gertsma, State's Attorney, and Cathi Powell, Treasurer, reported to the Board that the tax deed process is complex and time consuming, and they, along with the Register of Deeds Office, are working on it. About half of the 15 properties are currently under the tax deed process, and they will start the rest when those are complete.

The Board discussed the jail meal bids. Teddi Gertsma, State's Attorney, said that Robert's Rules of Order is not law, but rather a guidebook. Gertsma said she sees nothing wrong with the Board's actions regarding the jail meal bid situation. Andy Howe, Sheriff, said he spoke with the SD Department of Legislative Audit, and they told him the Board's actions were fair and proper. Gertsma pointed out the Board's proper actions saved the County over \$30,000.

The Veterans, Welfare, and Zoning Monthly Reports and the following Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer for February 2015 were accepted and placed on file.

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Clay County  
items in the hands of the County Treasurer as of February 28, 2015.  
I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash:

Total amount of deposits in banks	4,202,159.10	
Amount of actual cash	2,772.10	
Total amount of checks and drafts in Treasurer's Possession not exceeding three days	54,641.52	
Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts which have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days:	912.32	
Checks returned and not deposited		
Cash Items		
Investments	1,000.00	
Cash Variation	0.00	
Total		
	Dated this 2nd day of March 2015.	4,261,485.04

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Carri R. Crum, County Auditor

The Board reviewed the 2014 Annual Report, and it was accepted and placed on file.

At 10:22 a.m. Packard moved, seconded by Powell and carried to adjourn and reconvene Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Travis Mockler, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

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Carri R. Crum, County Auditor

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