

Tripp County, South Dakota
June 27, 2023

The meeting of the Tripp County Commissioners was called to order by the Chair in the Commissioner Room at the Court House at Winner on June 27, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. Roll call showed Board members Joyce Kartak, Larry Wilcox, Daniel Forgey, Cody Jorgensen and Michael Novotny. Also present was Auditor Barbara DeSersa, Steve Novotny and Dan Bechtold, Winner Advocate.

Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Wilcox, to add painting lines in the parking lot and remove rental agreement, Zach Pahlke and approve the agenda as amended.

Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Novotny, that the minutes of the meeting held on June 13, 2023 be approved as read.

Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Novotny made the motion, seconded by Jorgensen, that the claims be approved as follows:

Bi-MONTHLY PAYROLL: COMMISSIONERS: \$2,310.35; AUDITOR'S OFFICE: \$6,302.70; TREASURER'S OFFICE: \$5,637.21; STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE: \$7,307.38; COURTHOUSE: \$1,480.77; ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: \$6,082.30; REGISTER OF DEED'S OFFICE: \$3,534.25; VETERAN'S SERVICE: \$504.00; INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES: \$1,990.38; SHERIFF'S OFFICE: \$7,566.63; WELFARE: \$461.54; AMBULANCE: \$9,573.68; LIBRARY: \$3,416.27; EXTENSION: \$2,307.26; WEED: \$1,464.62; ROAD & BRIDGE: \$23,233.88; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: \$384.62; VARIOUS DEDUCTIONS: AFLAC, CONTRIBUTION, \$575.42; BEAM INSURANCE, VISION INSURANCE, \$54.65; FIRST FIDELITY BANK, WITHHOLDING, SOCIAL SECURITY & MEDICARE, \$17,693.64; DELTA DENTAL, CONTRIBUTION, \$142.50; LEGAL SHIELD, CONTRIBUTION, \$12.95; OPTILEGRA, CONTRIBUTION, \$85.96; THE HEALTH POOL OF SD, INSURANCE, \$763.54; SD RETIREMENT SYSTEM, CONTRIBUTION, \$8,268.38; GENERAL DEDUCTIONS: COLONIAL LIFE, CONTRIBUTION JUNE \$1,173.62; MESSE|KRAMER; WAGE GARNISHMENT; \$320.80; TRIPP COUNTY AMBULANCE, AMBULANCE PAYMENT, \$25.00; TRIPP COUNTY TREASURER, AMBULANCE BILL, \$25.00; DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT, CONTRIBUTION, \$360.00; SD SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT, DEDUCTIONS, \$712.50. CIRCUIT COURT: LANGUAGE LINE SERVICE, PHONE INTERPRETOR, \$195.19; STATE'S ATTORNEY: ZACHARY PAHLKE, HOTEL & DUI CONFERENCE, \$173.00; MASON JURACEK, HOTEL & DUI CONFERENCE, \$163.00; COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY: AMY BARTLING-JACOBSEN, CAA FEES, \$1,047.72; GEORGE JOHNSON, CAA FEES, \$854.60; SANDY STEFFEN, CAA FEES, \$7,452.12; TIMOTHY WHALEN, CAA FEES, \$5,359.40; COMPUTER FORENSICS, PHONE EXTRACTION, \$5,815.54; DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: JANIECE WEBER, REIMBURSE FUEL/MEALS/MILEAGE TODD MEETING. \$202.27; MAKALEIGH NILSON, MEAL REIMBURSEMENT, \$134.00; TRIPP COUNTY TREASURER, POSTAGE, \$96.00; GUS STOP 6, FUEL, \$235.33; HOLIDAY INN CITY CENTRE SIOUX FALLS, CONFERENCE STAY ½ TODD, \$300.00, ½ TRIPP, \$300.00; REGISTER OF DEEDS: KRISTIN ASSMAN, REIMBURSE MILEAGE, \$113.84; INSURANCE WORK COMP: SDPAA, ANNUAL RENEWAL, \$97,824.78; IT: TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, ANNUAL MAINT TODD TIME CLOCK, \$90.33; DIRECT TECHNOLOGIES, MICROSOFT 365 LICENSING, \$425.76; PITNEY BOWS BANK INC., POSTAGE MACHINE REFILL, \$520.99; SHERIFF: HUGHES BROTHERS 2, BATTERIES WHITE CAR, \$242.50; NAGEL BODY SHOP, INSTALL BOX COVER NEW 1B, \$700.00; VOYAGER FLEET SYSTEMS, FUEL, \$669.01; DILLION BATES, HOURS WORKED, \$76.50; JAIL: BENNY AUDISS, INMATE TRANSPORT, \$94.75; RISING HOPE COUNSELING, INMATE COUNSELING, \$130.00; AMBULANCE: BRUNMEIER FIRE, 10 SERVICE, \$80.00; B&L COMMUNICATIONS, STATE RADIO INSTALLATION, \$435.00; FRONTIER MOTORS FORD, 609 REPAIR, \$133.64; FIRST BANK AND TRUST, BACK PACK SUPPLIES/FUEL, \$924.05; HUGHES BROTHERS 2, 609 TRANSMISSION CHECK, \$52.50; MATHESON TRI-GAS, OXYGEN, \$74.13; VERIZON WIRELESS, CELL SERVICE, \$250.44; SANFORD HEALTH CENTER, 2023 SPRING EMT COURSE, \$84,245.00; MENTALLY HANDICAPPED: SDACC, 2ND QUARTER CLERP, \$546.00; LIBRARY: DEMCO, 2 BOXES CLEAR LABELS, \$164.04; WINNER ADVOCATE, DISPLAY ADS, \$112.00; WHITLEY'S CLEANING, JUNE CLEANING, \$950.00; WEED: GROSSENBURG IMPLEMENT, TIRE REPAIR/OIL CHANGE (OLD), \$141.50; HUGHES BROTHER 2, OIL CHANGE, \$97.35; ROAD & BRIDGE: ALL IN ONE SHOP, REPAIR PARTS, \$640.07; ATTEBERRY CONSTRUCTION, GRAVEL, \$18,572.00; HUGHES BROTHERS 2, REPAIRS, \$21.76; ROSEBUD ELECTRIC, UTILITIES, \$61.51; RDO EQUIPMENT, BROOM/EQUIPMENT, \$6,960.00; SCHWEIGERT CONSTRUCTION, GRAVEL, \$23,215.00; TEAM LAB, GRAVEL, \$7,356.25; COLOME SHOP, PARTS/REPAIRS, \$503.00; SCOTT'S SUPPLY, PARTS, \$1,365.25; DEBT SERVICES: DAIMLER TRUCK FINANCIAL, PAYMENTS ON TRUCK, \$12,426.27; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: FIRST BANK AND TRUST, BARACADES, \$14,536.14.

Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Larry Wilcox reported a conflict of interest with Agrimax on the agenda at 11:00 A.M.

Steve Novotny appeared for public comment. Mr. Novotny asked the commissioners about the long term plan the commissioners were working on. Mr. Jorgensen explained they are working on a grant for North County Road and working on a strategic plan for Tripp County. Discussion was held on the cost of oil roads and Mr. Novotny asked why this hadn't been done sooner. Mr. Novotny also asked why the county was hauling water from Dog Ear Lake twenty miles near Roosevelt Dam. The Commissioners will ask Roger Sund, Highway Superintendent. Mr. Novotny also asked about graveling roads and the Jail Budget. Discussion was held.

An estimate was received from Oakley Perry, SDSU Extension 4-H Program Manager, to help with the Mid-Dakota Fair in the amount of \$994.00. Mike Novotny suggested hiring Debbie Steinke instead, if she was willing to help. Joyce Kartak didn't agree as things weren't done correctly, according to Mr. Perry. Discussion was held. Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Wilcox, to hire SDSU Extension to help with the Mid-Dakota Fair for the approximate cost of \$994.00. Roll call: Ayes: Kartak, Wilcox, Forgey and Jorgensen. Nays: Novotny. Motion carried.

Chandra Phillips, Finance Officer, and Paul Jensen, Attorney, both from the City of Winner, came to the meeting asking the commissioners to sign a Recreation Trail Easement so the city can be approved for a grant. Discussion was held. Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Wilcox, to give the chairman permission to sign the easement only with the approval of Zachary Pahlke, States Attorney. Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Golden West Tele-communications would like the chairman to sign two Applications for Occupancy on the right of way of County Highway 325th Ave for Project WO #25315 and 281st Ave for Project WO #V23216. Wilcox made the motion, seconded by Novotny, to give the chairman permission to sign the applications. Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Sund was asked why he is hauling water from Dog Ear Lake to projects near Rahn Lake and Roosevelt Dam. Mr. Sund said the Game Fish and Parks will not allow water to be taken from Rahn Lake and Roosevelt Dam.

Elliot Rongen and Clint Covey, Agrimax, came to the meeting to ask the commissioner to put in an approach East of the Recycling Center. Agrimax has purchased lots behind the business and Harvest Road needs to be lengthened 20 feet and there needs to be a wider approach for the trucks. Schweigert Construction is doing other dirt work for Agrimax and asked if they could put the approach in. Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Forgey, to approve the lengthening of Harvest Road 20 feet and putting in an approach, with Schweigert Construction doing the work and with Mr. Sund's approval. Roll call: Ayes: Kartak, Forgey, Jorgensen and Novotny. Nays: None. Abstain: Wilcox. Motion carried.

Mr. Sund, Highway Superintendent, gave his report. The crew is mowing roads, graveled 1.5 miles on Project 47, blading roads, putting up road signs, and pulling shoulders on Project 58. Discussion was held on the haul road agreement to the Vogt gravel pit.

At 11:19 A.M. Forgey made the motion, seconded by Kartak, to enter into Executive session to discuss a personnel issue pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1). Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried. The Auditor, Barbara DeSersa, and Dan Bechtold, Winner Advocate, left during executive session. At 11:38 A.M. Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Novotny, to return to regular session. Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Kristin Assman, ROD, stopped in the meeting and asked to have her Deputy, Becky Bohnet, increased in wage as she has completed her probation period. Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Kartak, to adopt the following:
RESOLUTION (30-2023):
WHEREAS, Becky Bohnet, Deputy ROD has satisfactorily completed her probationary period,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tripp County Board of Commissioners to increase Mrs. Bohnet's salary to \$20.00 per hour effective June 25, 2023.
Dated at Winner, South Dakota this 27th day of June, 2023.

Chair, Joyce Kartak

Larry Wilcox

Daniel Forgey

Cody Jorgensen

Michael Novotny

ATTEST:

County Auditor

Roll call: Ayes: Kartak, Wilcox, Forgey, Jorgensen and Novotny.
Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Jorgensen made the motion, seconded by Wilcox, to adopt the following:
RESOLUTION (31-2023):
Be it Resolved by the Tripp County Board of Commissioners to hereby classify Ambulance EMT's as volunteers and EM volunteers for Workmen's Comp coverage.
Dated at Winner, South Dakota this 27th day of June, 2023.

Chair, Joyce Kartak

Larry Wilcox

Daniel Forgey

Cody Jorgensen

Michael Novotny

ATTEST:

County Auditor

Roll call: Ayes: Kartak, Wilcox, Forgey, Jorgensen and Novotny.
Nays: None. Resolution adopted.
The roster for EMT and EM volunteers for 2023 is as follows:
Kim Nagel, Paul Schueth, Kathie Cole, Sissy Orel, Wendy Nagel, John Hofeldt, Angela Murphy, Zane Hamiel, Darin Nelson, Deb Engel, Marla Jean Waters, Glenn Sealey, Lisa Koskan, Christine Dvorak, Kathy Mach, Lori Kalenda, Christal Assman, Tiffany Dougherty, Megan Fisher, Katie Harris, Renae Kaiser, Kayla Kartak, Kirby Kartak, Dan McMurtrey, Alicia Nelson, Kaela Novotny, Britteny Orel, Laurie Osborn, Zane Rhode, Alex Schaeffer, Stacy Tarrell, Bev Vaughn, Scott Ernest, Marti Kingsley, Blake Nielson, Heidi O'Bryan, Klaycie Olson, Darryl Suess and Lynelle Anderson.

At 12:30 P.M. Wilcox made the motion to adjourn until July 11, 2023 at 10:00 A.M., seconded by Jorgensen.
Roll call: All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Chair, Joyce Kartak

ATTEST:

County Auditor