June 18, 2013

9:00 A.M.

**WALWORTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

The Walworth County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on June 18, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Courthouse. Members present were: Denis Arbach, Richard Godkin, Duane Martin, Donald Leff, and Phylliss Pudwill. Also present were Auditor Rebecca Krein and Sandy Bond, news reporter for the Mobridge Tribune.

Chairperson Pudwill called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Leff moved and Arbach seconded that the minutes of the meeting of June 4, 2013 be approved. Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:**

Arbach moved and Martin seconded that the following claims be paid. Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

**GENERAL FUND:** US Postal Service (Hasler) – postage, $6000.00;

**COMMISSIONERS:** Heartland Waste Management Inc. – demolition of house, $960.00; Venture Communications – fax service, $45.07; **COURTS:** Kristi A Brandt – transcripts, $191.80

**AUDITORS:** Cardmember Service – supplies, $109.33; Venture Communications Coop – fax service, $1.74; Venture Communications Coop – phone service, $69.82;

**TREASURER:** Venture Communications Coop – phone service, $83.23; Venture Communications Coop – fax service, $2.94;

**STATES ATTORNEY:** Dacotah Bank – subpoena, $155.00; Starla Hunstad – mileage expense & subpoena, $35.54; Amanda Martin – subpoena, $20.00; Mobridge Regional Hospital – blood alcohol draws, $260.00; Bobbi Noess – blood alcohol draws, $60.00; Andrea L Sandmeier – blood alcohol draw, $80.00; Venture Communications Coop – phone service, $119.40;

**COURTHOUSE:** Cardmember Service – supplies, $31.50; Stoick’s Food Center – supplies, $7.49;

**DOE:** A & B Business Inc. – desk & chairs, $773.57; Best Western Ramkota Hotel – lodging Kahl, $231.00; Deborah Kahl – meal expense, $75.00; Quill Corporation – supplies, ink cartridges, binders, $806.72; Venture Communications Coop – phone service, $22.82;

**REGISTER OF DEEDS:** Connecting Point – network repairs, $57.50; Venture Communications Coop – network repairs, $50.55; Venture Communications Coop – fax service, $0.42;

**VETERAN’S SERVICE OFFICER:** West River Telecommunications – phone service, $35.82;

**SHERIFF:** Joshua Boll – meal expense, $52.00; Venture Communications Coop – phone & fax service, $116.18; **JAIL:** Family Pharmacy Inc. – prescription, $26.00; Good Samaritan Society – medical care, $130.24; Mobridge Medical Clinic – medical care, $46.62; Venture Communications Coop – internet service & phone & fax service, $247.56;

**CORONER:** Ripley Funeral Home – body bags, $353.70;

**EMERGENCY & DISASTER:** Venture Communications - radio service, $20.10;

**SUPPORT OF POOR:** Venture Communications Coop – phone service, $21.02;

**MENTALLY ILL:** SD Department of Revenue – services, $572.17;

**DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED:** SD Department of Revenue – services, $60.00;

**EXTENSION:** Connecting Point – network repairs, $57.50; Quill Corporation – supplies, ink cartridge, scanner, $274.75; Venture Communications Coop – phone service, $52.47;

**WEED CONTROL:**  Venture Communications Coop – phone service, $0.14;

**RD & BR:** Avera Queen of Peace – employee drug and alcohol testing, $98.90; Fire Safety First – fire extinguisher inspection & supplies, $205.95; Hoven Coop Service Company – gas & fuel, $1943.45; John Deere Financial – supplies, $1.28; Montana Dakota Utilities – electricity @ Java Shop, $15.25; Praxair Distribution Inc. – welding supplies, $93.23; West River Telecommunications – phone service, $30.79;

**SOLID WASTE:** Dakota Radio Group – clean up days, $200.00; Fire Safety First – fire extinguisher inspections & supplies, $114.10; Quill Corporation – supplies & ink cartridges, $150.14; Tri State Water – supplies, $16.20;

**STATE ACCOUNT FUND:** SD Department of Revenue – motor vehicle fees & ROD & Vital Records fees, $104158.15;

**SALE/EXCISE TAX FUND:** South Dakota State Treasurer – state & city sales tax, $137.39;

**REGIONAL E911 FUND:** AT&T – access charges, $116.97; Bullberry Systems Inc. – map software upgrade, $3800.00; Centurylink – access charges, $1272.92; Valley Telecommunications – data base updates, access charges, $881.16; Venture Communications – database upgrades, access charges, $424.09; Walworth County – administrative fee, $450.00; West River Telecommunications – access charges, internet services, phone service, access charges, $1973.05;

**AUDITOR’S REPORT OF ACCOUNT WITH THE TREASURER AS OF MAY 31, 2013:**

NSF $ 162.12

 Cash $ 1,437.01

 Checks in Office $ 56,325.34

 Certificates of Deposit $2,250,000.00

 Savings/interest accounts $3,810,404.87

 Landfill Post Closure $ 360,712.13

 Landfill Closure $ 264,493.20

 FIT $ 4,435.31

 $7,222,584.92

**TREASURER:**

Walworth County Treasurer Greg Pudwill provided the monthly financial report to the board for their review. He also reported that Martel has made a $950.00 payment. Williams has also made her $350.00 payment and DeSchequette will be making a payment this afternoon.

**WALWORTH COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT:**

Matt Popowski and Linda Brusseau appeared before the board representing the Soil Conservation District. Linda presented her profit/loss report to the board and requested to be on the County’s health insurance or have the county provide funds to the Soil Conservation District to pay for her insurance. Commissioners will discuss the issue further at the budget meeting.

**SHERIFF & JAIL ISSUES:**

Sheriff Mohr reported that he is switching the company that he uses for the phone cards for inmates from Securus to Reliance. Reliance is a company out of Minnesota and Mohr stated their program is more of a fit for the county than Securus out of California. The Sheriff will be able to monitor calls better and make more commission from the phone card sales.

Leff moved and Arbach seconded a motion to sign a 5 year jail contract with Hand County. Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

Godkin moved and Martin seconded to hire Elijah Schewe as a part time certified jailer. Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

**MONTHLY DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING:**

A day without pay was approved for Michelle Hesselberg from the Director of Equalization Office for a commitment made prior to being hired.

**MOBRIDGE REGIONAL HOSPITAL:**

Mobridge Regional Hospital CEO Angie Svihovec, Ambulance Director Charles Hanson and County Health Nurse Shana Friesz updated the board on their services and presented their budget requests for 2014.

**ABATEMENT:**

Leff moved and Godkin seconded a motion to approve abatement for Donald Miller on property owned in Walworth County that should have had Owner Occupied Designation and was omitted by the Assessor’s office.

Martin expressed that he would like more information on the situation.

Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

**HIGHWAY AND LANDFILL ISSUES:**

The bid opening for the 2008 140M Motor Grader at 10:00 a.m.; Bid #1: Butler - $140,749.00; Bid #2 Iron Planet - $127,000.00; Bid #3 Cat Auction Service - $110,000.00. Martin moved and Arbach seconded to accept the bid from Butler. Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

Highway Superintendent Penny Goetz reported that Gerald Fiedler has returned to work for the summer on June 10th. His pay rate is $11.10 per hour.

Goetz reported that she found 1991 Tandem Dump Truck with a sander from SD Federal Surplus for $10,800.00 She had budgeted $25,000.00 to buy one and felt this was a very good option.

Landfill Supervisor Ryan Badten wants to purchase a fuel tank for a pickup at the Landfill at a cost of $500 he was advised to check prices.

Supervisor Badten would also like to acknowledge and thank Heartland Waste for the Dumpsters that were used for County Clean-Up Days.

**PRIVATE ROADS MAINTENANCE:**

Auditor Krein submitted a letter from a land owner in Walworth County petitioning the Board of County Commissioners to hold a public hearing on whether the county should contract with owners of private roads within the county for the county to provide maintenance on private roads. Therefore pursuant to SDCL 31-11-42, Arbach moved and Leff seconded to schedule the hearing to be held on July 16th, 2013 and to authorize the publication of said notice, as required. Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Martin submitted an estimate to repair the fascia and soffits on the courthouse that he received from Randy Carlson. He approved Randy Carlson to do the work with an open ended estimate of $300.00.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Leff moved and Martin seconded that the Board of County Commissioners adjourn until the hour of 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 2, 2013. Voting aye: 5; nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

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**PHYLLISS PUDWILL, CHAIRPERSON**

**ATTEST:**

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**REBECCA KREIN, AUDITOR**

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