September 29, 2021

9:00 A.M.

**WALWORTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

The Walworth County Board of Commissioners met in Special Meeting on September 29, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Courthouse. Members present were: Jim Houck, Duane Mohr, Rick Cain, Scott Schilling and Kevin Holgard. Also, present Auditor, Eva Cagnones and States Attorney, Jaime Hare.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

**WALWORTH COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD:**

PLAT OF BAUS ADDITION SW1/4 OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 121 NORTH, RANGE 74 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., WALWORTH COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

“Be it resolved by the Walworth County Board of Commissioners that the Baus addition located SW1/4 of Section 33, Township 121 North, Range 74 West of the 5th P.M., Walworth County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL, Chapter 11-3 and any amendments thereof”.

Schilling moved and Mohr seconded to approve the Plat listed below. Voting Aye; 5; Nay; 0. The motion was adopted.

There was no old or new business to report. Holgard moved and Schilling seconded to adjourn as Walworth County Planning and Zoning Board. Voting Aye: 5; Nay; 0. The motion was adopted.

Chairperson Houck called the County Commission meeting to order.

**COMMISSIONERS:**

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**ELECTION CANVASS:**

The Opt Out was voted by Walworth County registered voters; 366 YES – 850 NO. There was a missed ballot in precinct three making the actual total votes, 275 instead of 274. After a brief break to determine if the ballots from precinct three should be re-counted. The Auditor, after confirming with the Secretary of State’s office said that no one can open the ballot box without going through due diligence of codified laws pertaining to Election. Two election workers from precinct three appeared before the Commissioner Board to explain how they counted the ballots and how they could have missed one. They were doing just fine and were balanced up to the end of the night when it came time to count all the ballots. There were two people present to watch the counting, who were distracting. Commissioner Houck said that one vote would not make a difference in the outcome of the election and suggested for a motion to approve the Canvass as is.

Schilling moved and Holgard seconded to approve the Canvas of votes for the 2021 Opt Out Election. Voting Aye: 5; Nay: 0. The Motion was adopted.

Sheriff Boll and Auditor Cagnones asked to speak briefly about the previous evening’s events. Cagnones mentioned a few incidents of people arriving to precincts in Selby, Glenham and Mobridge to watch the ballot counting. Some of these folks acted more like “Watchdogs”, interfering with the election workers and being disruptive, making some election workers nervous. Cagnones asked the public to keep their distance, be quiet and respect the election workers. Boll added that he too witnessed such behavior.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

No old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Holgard moved and Mohr seconded that the Board of County Commissioners adjourn until the hour of 9:00 a.m. October 5th, 2021. Voting Aye: 5; Nay: 0. The motion was adopted.

**Full proceedings of this meeting of the Walworth County Board of Commissioners can be viewed from Walworth County’s Facebook page, Walworth County, Selby, SD.**

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**JIM HOUCK, CHAIRPERSON**

**ATTEST:**

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**EVA CAGNONES, AUDITOR**

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