CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
September 2, 2014

 The Clark County Commissioners met in regular session on September 2, 2014, in the Commissioners’ meeting room of the Clark County Courthouse. Chairman Hass called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Bjerke, Reints, and Wicks.  Also present Auditor Tarbox. Loomis absent.

**MINUTES**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Wicks, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of August 19, 2014. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

**AMBULANCE:**  Motion by Wicks, second by Bjerke to allow Ambulance Administrator Grensberg to accept grant award from FY 2013 Assistance to Firefighters grant in the amount of $150,000. The federal share is 95% or $142,500, County share is 5% or $7500. This grant money will be used towards the purchase price of a new ambulance for Clark County. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**AMBULANCE:** Ambulance Administrator Grensberg informed the board that Clark County has been approved for the hardship regulations for an additional year.

**AMBULANCE**: Motion by Wicks, second by Reints to allow Ambulance Administrator Grensberg to write specs and advertise for bids for a new ambulance. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**EXEUCTIVE SESSION**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Reints to enter into executive session at 9:15 a.m. for personnel issues. All voting aye. Motion carried. Chairman Hass declared out at 9:30.a.m.

**HIGHWAY**: Motion by Wicks, second by Bjerke to hire Don Knudson for the Bradley road maintainer positon. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**HIGHWAY**: HS Eggleston met with the board regarding road conditions and work being done. He informed the board that the paving has been completed on County Road #7 to the Industrial Park. He also informed the board that the new signs will be installed in Clark County in the near future. The improved signs will be improved reflective material with breakaway posts. This project will be completed at no cost to the County.

**FUEL QUOTES**: HS Eggleston presented the following fuel quotes for September 2014. Diesel #2- Clark Community Oil- 3.13 - Bradley, Garden City, Vienna, Willow Lake. Raymond and Clark Shops. Clark County Farmers Elevator –Diesel #2 – 3.18, Bradley, Garden City, Vienna, Willow Lake, Raymond Shop and Clark. GAS: Clark Community Oil – 3.10. All bids were reviewed by the board and are on file in the Auditor's office.

**HIGHWAY**: States Attorney Fjelland met with the board to further discuss boring under county roads for tiling purposes. No action taken.

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**: Motion by Reints, second by Bjerke, to enter into Board of Adjustment. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**CONDITIONAL USE 2-14**: At 9:00 a.m. the time specified hearing was held for Conditional Use 2-14. Ron Gogolin representing Northwestern Energy, and Kyle Gaikowski appeared. Motion by Bjerke, second by Reints to approve CU 2-14 with the contingency that Oaktree officials sign the Conditional Use Permit as they own the property to which this tower will be placed. Conditional use 2-14 will allow Northwestern Energy to place a 60’tall communications tower on NE ¼ NE ¼ NE ¼ NE ¼ 36-117-58. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**: Motion by Wicks, second by Reints, to adjourn from Board of Adjustment and return to Board of County Commissioners. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**WEED:** Motion by Wicks, second by Bjerke to accept Larry Lynch’s resignation effective October 16, 2014. The Board of County Commissioners thank Larry for his 22 years of service to Clark County. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**HIRE**: Motion by Reints, second by Wicks to advertise for a weed supervisor/highway employee, which will be a full time position with benefits. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**SURPLUS**: Motion by Reints, second by Bjerke to declare 1985 International Truck from the weed department as surplus as it no longer serves the purpose for which it was purchased. The truck will be sold at Clark Sales. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**PROVISIONAL BUDGET**: Budget hearings were held at 10:00 a.m. No one appeared. The final adoption of the 2015 budget is scheduled for September 23, 2014. Motion by Reints, second by Wicks to add $25,000 to the ambulance budget to cover the expenses associated with the ambulance grant. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**CONCERNED CITIZENS:** Dale Springer, Roger Springer, Dorothy Springer, Marilyn Swanson, and Rich Harrington met with the board regarding land lock property in Blaine Township. Also present SA Fjelland. Discussion was held regarding the legal litigation that has been done and other possible solutions. No action taken.

**COMPROMISE LIEN**: Resident did not attend meeting. No action needed.

**NURSE**: Motion by Wicks, second by Reints to approve hiring of Sara Tarbox as clerical for the Public Health Nurse office. Her wage will be $13.00 for the six month probation period and increase to the 2015 deputy wage following the probation period. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION**: Motion by Wicks, second by Reints to allow DOE Reidburn to purchase a HP printer for his office. Cost of the printer will be approximately 1200.00. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION**: DOE Reidburn spoke with the Commissioners regarding additional help in the DOE office to cover the deputy leave of absence later this year. He also discussed updating software for his office for the GIS mapping program. He will get cost projections for the software and report back to the Board.

**DOE**: Deputy DOE Madsen met with the board to request leave of absence from October 24, 2014 through November 30, 2014, return to work a day or two per week in December and back to full time January 5, 2014. Leave approved.

**911**: Motion by Reints, second by Bjerke to allow 911 services be switched from Huron dispatch to Codington County dispatch. This change will take effect January 1, 2015. Sheriff McGraw will contact both parties and obtain a contract from Codington County. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**COURTHOUSE**: Custodian Elsen updated the board of the progress of the repairs to the courthouse roof.

**AIRPORT:** Chairman Hass signed the construction contract documents between Clark County and Lehtola Builders, Inc. for the Clark County Airport GA Terminal/SRE building. AIP#3-46-0009-008-2014.

**CLAIMS:** Motion by Bjerke, second by Reints, to approve the following claims and allow the Auditor to issue payments for same. All voting aye. Motion carried. GENERAL FUND: Watertown Fire Dept- 60% of runs 3698.46, COMMISSIONERS: Robert Bjerke, -ins. Deductible 1250.00, Clark Co Courier-proceedings- 601.36, AUDITOR: AT&T Mobility-service 27.04, ITC-service 84.32, Office Peeps-desk calendars 22.14, TREASURER: ITC-service-40.77, STATES ATTORNEY: ITC-service 57.97, Jackson Co Sheriff’s Office-mileage/service fees 43.50, PUBLIC BUILDINGS: Cook’s Wastepaper-garbage service 25.75, Culligan –water 45.50, ITC-service 34.83, JCL Solutions-Janitors Closet-supplies 67.61, Star Laundry-rugs 52.61, DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: ITC-service-99.60, Office Peeps-supplies 37.42, REGISTER OF DEEDS: A&B Business- correction tape-12.57, Connecting Point-support contract 247.00, ITC-service 34.62, Marco-copy machine contract 39.56, VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER: ITC-service 36.82, SHERIFF: AT&T Mobility-service 112.70, Clark Co Courier-stop/school buses 157.50, Dakota Electronics-VHF Radio repair 119.70, ITC-service 213.15, Verizon Wireless service 185.33, AIRPORT: Northwestern Energy-utilities 8.00, NURSE: Clark Co Courier-sec/help wanted 20.50, AMBULANCE: AT&T Mobility-service 83.12, Connie Bratland-lost check 46.17, Harry’s Septic pump floor pits/amb shop 230.00, ITC-service 113.90, JB’S REPAIR-change oil/repairs 325.00, MENTAL & HANDICAPPED: Patient care 60.00, MENTAL ILLNESS BOARD: Lincoln Co Treasurer-mental illness hearing 209.50, EXTENSION OFFICE: ITC-service 90.40, Office Peeps-calendar 61.96, Star Laundry-rugs 39.13, Toshiba Financial Services-copy machine rent 164.73, WEED: AT&T Mobility –service 55.46, Cook’s Wastepaper-garbage service 34.75, ITC-service 92.43, Mac’s Inc.-parts 126.12, PLANNING & ZONING: Clark Co Courier-Conditional use -21.80, ROAD & BRIDGE: AT&T Mobility-service 58.58, Butler Machinery-parts 131.04, CK Truck and Trailer Repairs-repairs 3660.01, Clark Co Courier- help wanted 28.00, Cook’s Wastepaper-garbage service-34.75, Flint Hills Reources-MC-70, 19,407.51, Harry’s Septic & Sewer Service-pump pits 195.00, ITC-service 101.28, Matt Kadinger-mileage 16.28, Mac’s Inc.-parts 265.54, Northern Con Agg-pea rock 1705.49, Northwestern Energy-utilities 25.93, Sioux Rural Water-water 29.00, Titan Access Account-repairs 2252.13, Ted Warkenthien-royalties 7708.05, Westside Implement-parts 295.45,Wheelco-parts 461.37, CIVIL DEFENSE: AT&T Mobility-service 159.76, Verizon Wireless-service 40.01, M&PRELIEF FLOW THRU: SDACO-2.00 fee/ROD modernization 198.00. TOTAL: 45,903.98.

**PAYROLL**: COMMISSIONERS: 5692.61, AUDITOR: 3248.88, TREASURER: 3040.52, STATES ATTORNEY: 2425.34, COURTHOUSE: 1583.88, DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: 3305.59, REGISTER OF DEEDS: 2293.94, VETERAN OFFICER: 336.41, SHERIFF: 4620.29, CORONER: 107.65, POOR: 454.61, NURSE: 2372.63, AMBULANCE: 7592.78, EXTENSION: 1109.13, WEED: 3470.39, PLANNING & ZONING: 99.45, ROAD & BRIDGE: 33453.07, EMERGENCY & DISASTER: 870.36. TOTAL: 76,077.53.

**DENIAL:** Motion by Reints, second by Hass to deny bill to Schmidt Ag as it was denied by the County’s insurance company. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**:  Motion by Wicks, second by Bjerke, to adjourn at 12:40 p.m., until next regular meeting Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. All voting aye. Motion carried.

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Christine Tarbox  Francis Hass, Chairman

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