CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

February 21, 2017

The Clark County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 in the Commissioners’ meeting room of the Clark County Courthouse. Chairperson Wicks called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with the following Commissioners present: Bjerke, Hass, Reints, Sass and Wicks. Also present Auditor Tarbox.

**MINUTES**: Motion by Reints, second by Sass to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of February 7, 2017. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**HIGHWAY:** HS Eggleston met with the board to discuss road conditions and road work being done. He informed the board that load limits went on February 18, 2017. He also informed the board he will be attending workshop the last week of March.

**HIGHWAY**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Reints to accept resignation of Terry Wellman, effective February 28, 2017 and allow Highway Superintendent to advertise for the position. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**EXTENSION**: Extension Educator McGraw met with the board to discuss upcoming events at the fairgrounds. Including wedding receptions, Clark County Rider weekend, a potential tractor pull and possibly South Dakota Trappers Association Annual meeting. She informed the board that she has approved all of these events with the 4-H Leaders Association and the Horseman’s Club. She also discussed the number of participants in the 4-H BB gun shooting sport and archery.

**CUSTODIAN**: Custodian Elsen was unable to meet with the board.

**WEED**: WS Mehlberg was not able to attend. HS Eggleston met with the board on his behalf requesting permission to call for bids for yearly supplies for the weed department. Motion by Hass, second by Bjerke to allow the weed department to call for bids for 2017. Bids will be presented at the April 4, 2017 meeting. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**WEED**: HS Eggleston presented a quote for repairs to the weed shop. No action taken. The board will wait until next meeting to speak with WS Mehlberg about the bid and the trailer that will be declared surplus.

**CONCERNED CITIZENS**: Dave Adam, Darci Adam, Shad Stevens, Aaron Bjerke, Jean Stevens, Kipp Obermeier, Ted Obermeier, Nancy Tarbox, Wendy Crabtree, Donette Dunlavy, Dick Anderson, Steve Wicks, Luveta Wicks, Allen Bjerke, Pam Bjerke, Anthony Bjerke, Fred Rosenau, Melissa Lehna, Rod Christman, Wendy Christman, Dick Rasmussen, Fred Obermeier, DOE Reidburn, Lisa Finstad, Doug Paulson, Dick Wells, and Jay Hesse, Melissa Schmit and Barry Fladeboe with Geronimo present. Dave Adam made introductions, Darci Adam discussed health and safety concerns of wind towers, Shad Stevens spoke about concerns about the turbines that are close to his airport regarding downwind turbulence and having enough room to fly out. He also discussed decommission of the proposed Crocker Wind Farm. Wendy Crabtree, Kipp Obermeier, Doug Paulson, Anthony Bjerke, Jean Stevens, Nancy Tarbox and Dave Adam also spoke to the group with concerns about the proposed wind tower. The board received additional handouts from the concerned citizens.

**AIRPORT**: Airport Manager Doug Hansen met with the board requesting gravel to extend a road at the airport. He informed the board he had contacted HS Eggleston regarding the gravel. He also updated the board on weather conditions that will determine airport closure, he also discussed the status of the snow removal equipment for the airport in regards to purchasing with federal grant dollars and also informed the board he will be moving the AWOS antenna.

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

**SET HEARING**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Hass to set hearing for Variance 1-17 which if approved will allow Travis Peterson to use the E ½ 15-119-58 to plant wind break trees closer than the setback. Hearing set for March 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. All voting aye. Motion carried.

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

**EM**: Motion by Hass, second by Reints to allow EM Gravning to apply for grant money to update the Pre-Disaster Mitigation plan. First District Association will be of assistance to Clark County in this grant application. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**AMBULANCE**: AA Angermeier met with the board to present quotes for a washer and dryer to be added to the ambulance building. Motion by Sass, second by Bjerke to allow him to purchase a washer and dryer set from Karl’s Appliance in Watertown SD. Cost will be $600.00. Voting aye: Bjerke, Hass, Sass and Wicks. Voting nay: Reints. Motion carried.

**AMBULANCE**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Sass to add seven EVOC drivers to the Willow Lake ambulance squad. Members to be added will be Richard Reints, Randy Reddig, Kelly Dockter, Trav Bratland, Chance Burke, Austin Swanhorst and Joseph Fisher. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**ABATEMENT 1-2017**: Motion by Bjerke second by Reints to approve Abatement 1-17, DOE #6601, in the amount of $94.56 as property is now tax exempt to the City of Willow Lake. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**ABATEMENT 2-2017**: Motion by Hass, second by Bjerke to approve Abatement 2-17, DOE #3100, in the amount of $71.92 for property that was demolished. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**ABATEMENT 3-2017**: Motion by Hass, second by Sass to approve Abatement 3-17, DOE #2310, in the amount of $1709.19, as property is now tax exempt to the City of Clark. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**ABATEMENT 4-2017**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Hass to approve Abatement 4-17, DOE #2314, in the amount of $1404.82, as property is tax exempt to the City of Clark. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**DETENTION CENTER CONTRACT**: Motion by Hass, second by Reints to approve and allow Chairman to sign the 2017 agreement to house adult prisoners at the Codington County Detention Center. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**CPI:** Auditor Tarbox informed the board that the CPI for 2018 is reported to be 1%.

**GOVERNMENT DAYS**: Motion by Hass, second by Bjerke to change Commissioner meeting from March 21, 2017 to March 27, 2017 to accommodate government days. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**HEALTH INSURANCE**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Sass to approve change to effective date for new hires for the County health insurance. Effective date will be 1st of month after date of hire. All voting aye. Motion carried.

**WELFARE**: WD Tarbox presented notifications of hospitalization.

**REPORTS:**  Motion by Hass, second by Reints to approve the following reports. All voting aye. Motion carried.

AUDITOR’S MONTHLY SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER  
Cash on hand…………………………………………..…  367,132.67

Money Market…..…………………………………… .… 2,569,588.09

CD’s…………..…………………………………………… 800,000.00  
Checking Account....…….…………………………………. 187,287.13  
   TOTAL:………………………………………………… 3,924,007.89

These funds include all funds administered by the county including: General Fund $2,941,728.08 Road & Bridge: $435,610.42, 911 Service Fund: $103,067.42, E/D: $2,414.78, Domestic Abuse: 25.00, 24/7- $8027.46, ROD Mod/Pres: $10,440.33, **Trust & Agency Funds $422,694.40, which are funds returned to schools, towns, townships and special districts.** TOTAL: $3,924,007.89.

ROD Fees: January recording fees: 1800.00, Transfer fees: 2334.50, Births: 20.00, Deaths: 170.00, Marriages: 60.00, Copy money: 72.75, Misc 300.00. TOTAL: 4757.25.

Ambulance: 11,117.97 Sheriff: Mileage 71.00, Civil fees $325.00, Pistol permits $122.00.

**CLAIMS**: Motion by Bjerke, second by Sass, to approve the following claims and allow the auditor to issue payments for same. All voting aye. Motion carried. AUDITOR: Clark Co Treasurer-postage 94.00, PMB-0112-access fees 37.00, TREASURER: Cardmember Service-envelopes 1996.75, Clark County Treasurer-postage 188.60, Office Peeps-folders 594.66, COURT: Bratland Law-court appointed attorney 2102.20, PUBLIC BUILDINGS: JCL Solutions -supplies 64.46, Northwestern Energy-utilities 1787.82, DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: Cardmember Service-envelopes 1430.75, Clark Co Treasurer-postage 48.78, Office Peeps-antivirus 53.99, VETERAN OFFICER: Connecting Point-support work-90.00, SHERIFF: Cardmember-service lodging/tow stolen vehicle-332.08, Clark Co Treasurer-postage 5.70, Light & Siren-equipment 2017 Ford SUV-288.77, South Dakota Sheriff’s Assn-2017 Spring conference fee 85.00, Westside Implement-transport stolen vehicle-1750.00, PRISONER CARE: Codington Co Auditor-prisoner care 5039.41, Coteau Des Prairies Clinic-medical expense 118.00, Roberts County Detention Center-inmate housing 2405.00, AIRPORT: Northwestern Energy-utilities 230.22, AMBULANCE: AAA –payment 32.78, Randy Angermeier-ins deductible reimbursement/mileage-1513.20, Bound Tree Medical-supplies 151.81, Clark County Treasurer-postage-47.00, Northwestern Energy- utilities 636.26, Office Peeps-electronic signature pad-135.00, Physio Control-multi-tech part replacement -380.92, SOC SERV FOR AGED: Inter-Lakes Comm Action-support/comm serv Feb- 1350.75, EXTENSION: Office Peeps- copier 336.98, WEED: California Contractors coveralls/gloves/glasses 748.31, Cardmember Services-supplies 279.99, Specialty Mfg Co-2017 Load trail car hauler 5665.00, ROAD & BRIDGE: Avera Queen of Peace-drug testing 345.14, Larry Brannan-mileage 73.92, Clark Co Treasurer-postage 9.03, Clark Community Oil-diesel 13410.18, Del-Mar Upholstery-recover seat 230.00, Diesel Machinery-parts/ screen 3196.65, Equipment Blades-parts/blades 6079.70, I-State Truck Center-parts-583.37, Douglas Loomis-mileage 37.80, Northwestern Energy-utilities 2483.41, Plastic Works-parts 500.00, 911 SERVICE FUND: Centurylink- replace lost check-191.66, Century Link-monthly fees 292.58. TOTAL: 57,454.63.

**PAYROLL**: AUDITOR: 4610.28, TREASURER: 4331.81, STATES ATTORNEY: 3843.70, COURTHOUSE: 2187.57, DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: 4207.24, REGISTER OF DEEDS: 2868.18, VETERAN SERVICE OFFICE:  336.41, SHERIFF: 6375.03, CORONER: 107.65, NURSE: 1694.62, AMBULANCE: 9400.11, EXTENSION: 1316.44, WEED: 597.05, ROAD & BRIDGE: 37,167.18, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: 1210.01. TOTAL: 80,253.28.

**ADJOURN**:  Motion by Reints, second by Hass to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. until next regular meeting Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. All voting aye. Motion carried.

 ATTEST:       
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Christine Tarbox  Violet Wicks, Chairperson

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