

**Official Proceedings**  
**County of Codington, Watertown, South Dakota**  
**Codington County Courthouse**  
**14 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE**

June 9, 2016

The Codington County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 9, 2016, at the Codington County Courthouse. Commission members present were: Lee Gabel, Tyler McElhany, Myron Johnson, and Brenda Hanten; Chairman Elmer Brinkman absent; Vice-Chair Hanten presiding.

**AGENDA APPROVED**

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to approve the agenda; all present voted aye; motion carried.

**MINUTES APPROVED**

Motion by Gabel, second by McElhany, to approve the minutes of May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016; all present voted aye; motion carried.

**HAROLD LAQUA VACATED SECTION LINE ELMIRA TOWNSHIP**

Elmira Township property owner, Harold Laqua, met with the Board to discuss a fence placed along a vacated section line in Elmira Township. Mr. Laqua informed the Board that he is allowed to access his property through a gate in said fence but the construction of the gate makes it very difficult to open and close. States Attorney, Patrick McCann, was present for this discussion and advised there are several options available to Mr. Laqua regarding this matter: Litigate against the owner of the fence asking for a declaration by the courts for an easement by proscriptio or necessity; negotiate the terms of a written easement with the fence owner; or apply to the board of County Commissioners, pursuant to SDCL 31-22-2, requesting a public right-of-way. Mr. Laqua will meet with the property owner to discuss the installment of a gate which would allow Mr. Laqua easier access to his adjacent property.

**MONTHLY REPORTS**

**Veterans Service Officer, Al Janzen**, reported on the following: 112 walk ins/appointments in the month of May, 2 home visits and 1 nursing home visit; May 11<sup>th</sup> attended a mini conference training, Memorial Day programs were well attended; and many new claims continue to be filed in the office.

**SEASONAL WEED SPRAYER POSITION**

Motion by McElhany, second by Gabel, to authorize the Weed Supervisor to hire a seasonal weed sprayer to replace a seasonal employee who will be resigning in the near future; all present voted aye; motion carried.

**MAY SALARY CLAIMS**

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to approve the following salary claims for the month of May; all present voted aye; motion carried: Commissioners: 10,387.91 total salaries. Auditor: 19,022.93 total salaries. Co. Treasurer: 28,003.70 total salaries. States Attorney: 36,233.76 total salaries; Linda Young part time @ 21.76 per hour; Jamie Monson 2,952.78 new hire. Gov. Buildings: 19,576.75 total salaries. Dir. Equalization: 35,308.44 total salaries; Sarah Tesch 2,691.78 new hire. Reg. of Deeds: 18,853.07 total salaries; Jackie Manning 3,283.38 step increase. Veterans Service: 9,437.85 salaries. Sheriff: 83,320.94 total salaries. Co. Jail: 97,986.38 total salaries; Lori Mills 3,749.70 step increase; Renee Howell 17.03 per hour new hire. Coroner: 1,453.28 total salaries. Care of the Poor: 5,558.86 total salaries. County Nurse: 4,254.29 total salaries. Co. Park: 10,720.59 total salaries; Mariah Schelhaas 13.62 new hire. Ag. Bldg.: 9,067.70 total salaries. Co. Extension: 8,649.52 total salaries. Weed Control: 8,435.38 total salaries; Steve Molengraaf 3,568.74 step increase; Bill Hoff 14.86 part time seasonal; John Engels 14.86 part time

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seasonal. Planning Board: 273.88 total salaries. Road & Bridge: 85,604.90 total salaries; Dan Busta 3,807.12 step increase; Loren Haug 13.62 part time seasonal. Emergency Management: 10,459.73 total salaries. Crime Victim: 6,053.76 total salaries. W.I.C.: 3,634.00 total salaries. Total 512,297.62. Breakdown of withholding amounts which are included in the above: S.D. Retirement 45,510.42; S.D. Retirement 276.54 spouse option; S.D. Supplemental Retire. 2,870.00 suppl. retire.; Avera 61,708.81 ins.; Reliance Standard Life Insurance 415.31 life ins.; Delta Dental 6010.28 ins.; Avesis 840.02 ins.; Nationwide Retire. Sol. 239.29 suppl. retire.; AFSCME Council 65 302.40 employee union dues; AFLAC 2,538.86 ins.; Assurity Life Insurance Company 151.41 ins.; U.M.B. Bank 5,295.00 suppl. retire.; AFLAC 342.62 ins.; Watertown United Way 92.92 employee contributions; Office of Child Support 535.00 employee payments; Sioux Valley Credit Union 17,869.40 employee payments; Cod. Co. Treasurer 30,300.00 employee monthly draw; New York Life 32.75 ins.; Teamsters Local Union 120 251.00 employee union due; Codington County Deputy Sheriff's Association 120.00 employee union dues; ReliaBank Dakota 39,437.36 federal withholding; ReliaBank Dakota 58,988.32 social security; Barbara Curtis 800.00 employee payment; Washington National Ins. 20.20 ins.

### **ASPHALT MAT CONSTRUCTION NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Motion by McElhany, second by Gabel, to authorize the Auditor to publish a notice to bidders for Asphalt Mat Construction; all present voted aye; motion carried. Bid opening has been set for 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

### **VOLUNTEER LABOR**

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to add Carol Ford to the list of volunteer employees for the purpose of Workers Compensation Insurance; all present voted aye; motion carried.

### **FIREWORKS DISCHARGE PERMIT**

Motion by McElhany, second by Gabel, to approve a permit to discharge fireworks as follows: June 25, 2016; 1.3G and 1.4G cakes and mortars; 3121 North Serenity Drive, Jeff Bendix, discharger. Upon vote of the Board; all present voted aye; motion carried.

### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT ALLOCATION**

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to authorize Vice Chair Hanten to sign a Grant Award Allocation, in an amount not to exceed \$1,170.00, for Historical Preservation Grant Project SD-16-021, awarded to the Codington County Historic Preservation Commission; all present voted aye; motion carried.

### **CLAIMS**

Motion by McElhany, second by Gabel, to approve payment of a claim to Jerry's Chevrolet, \$28,889.00, for a vehicle for the Maintenance Dept.; all present voted aye; motion carried.

### **COUNTY ROAD 20-3 RIGHT OF WAY AGREEMENTS**

Motion by Johnson, second by Gabel; to authorize the Vice Chair to sign the following agreement for right of way acquisition for the County Road 20-3 paving project, as prepared and requested by **Highway Supt., Rick Small**, who could not, be present for this meeting: Linda & Alice Mae Schacht, \$131.24. Upon vote of the Board; all present voted aye; motion carried.

### **TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Motion by Gabel, second by Johnson, to approve the following travel request; all present voted aye; motion carried: Supportive travel for Codington County Stepping Up Initiative Committee Member, Kari Johnston; White House Innovative Community Workshop.

**CCJAC**

Commissioner Gabel advised the Board the next meeting of the CCJAC will be held on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:10 p.m., at LATI room 433. Commissioner Gabel noted the first public presentation of the CCJAC will be held on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:10 p.m., on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of LATI.

**JUVENILE DETENTION CONFERENCE CALL**

Commissioner Gabel and Sheriff Wishard participated in a conference call regarding the Minnehaha County juvenile detention facility and the drop in numbers of the incarceration of juvenile offenders.

**ROW FARMING VIOLATIONS**

Commissioner Johnson noted he has received correspondence from a Codington County Ag. Producer and the problem of farming in the right of way violations.

**2016 PRIMARY ELECTION CANVASS**

The Board conducted the canvass of the vote totals for the 2016 Primary Election, held in Codington County, on Tuesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016. Motion by Johnson, second by Gabel, to approve the results of the 2016 Primary Election as presented by the Auditor; all present voted aye; motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by McElhany, second by Gabel, to adjourn at 9:43 a.m., until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016; all present voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman

Codington County Auditor

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