

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MELLETTTE COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA
August 6, 2024

The meeting of the Mellette County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Krogman in the Commissioner Room in the Mellette County Courthouse at White River, SD on August 6, 2024 at 9:00 am. Commission members present were Casey Krogman, Dan Valburg, and Jr. Brandis; also present was Auditor Jenny Galbraith.

All motions are to be considered unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. A motion was made to approve the agenda by Brandis, seconded by Valburg.

Visitors: Vernon Brown, Tom Wilsey, Ronnie Dimond, Cathy Chapman, and Josh Whipple.

Road & Bridge: Highway Superintendent Joe Bechtold and Highway Maintenance Tre lyotte joined the meeting. Ronnie Dimond attended the meeting to request that the county assist in replacing a 3' x 60' culvert located in Rosebud Township. The county has no funding available for townships unless they participate in the Rural Access Infrastructure Funding plan for large culverts 3' in diameter and larger. Commission discussed tractor rental from Grossenburg's for 2025, the rate increased from \$.25 per horsepower hour to \$.50. Will check with other dealers to see if they have rental programs and what their rates are and to possibly purchase a tractor. Josh Whipple attended the meeting to discuss purchasing screened to 1 1/2" gravel from his gravel pit for \$4.50 per ton. Motion by Brandis, second by Valburg to purchase 30,000 ton of gravel.

At 9:30 am the public meeting for the County Five Year Highway Plan was held. There was no public comment on the plan. Motion by Valburg, second by Brandis to approve the plan.

Auditor: Auditor Galbraith presented the 2025 provisional budget to the Commission for review. Motion by Valburg, second by Brandis to approve the provisional budget for publishing and budget hearing will be held on September 3, 2024.

Sheriff: Sheriff Gildemaster joined the meeting. Commission discussed surplusng the 2014 Ford Explorer since there are 237,585 miles on it. Motion by Valbrug, second by Brandis to surplus the vehicle. Vehicle will be advertised for sealed bids for the next Commission meeting. Sheriff presented costs of purchasing and installing equipment on 2024 Ford Pickup, costs equaling \$7020.34; motion by Brandis, second by Valburg to purchase equipment.

Director of Equalization: Haley Gallant joined the meeting and updated the commission on what's been going on in her office. Gallant presented the Commission with a certificate from SD DOR stating that effective July 1, 2024 she is a certified appraiser assessor.

Treasurer: Hilary Nesheim joined the meeting and updated the commission on what has been going on with her office.

Register of Deeds: Stanley Krogman Sr. joined the meeting to update the commission on his office.

New Business: Auditor Galbraith informed the Commission that the janitor position is vacant and needs to be advertised. Will advertise and have applicants attend the next Commission meeting. Commission discussed County Convention held in Rapid City on September 17-18, 2024; attendees will be Hilary Neshiem, Jenny Galbraith, Stanley Krogman Sr., Casey Krogman, Jr. Brandis, and Dan Valburg. Motion by Brandis, second by Valburg to attend and hotel stay. Commission

discussed the closing of CHS and what will need to be done for fuel purchases for Sheriff and highway department, will check with DOT about purchasing fuel on their contract and using their pumps.

Commission reviewed the proceedings from July 2, 2024 and July 16, 2025; motion by Valburg, seconded by Brandis to approve the proceedings.

CLAIMS: Commission reviewed claims presented and claims that were paid out of meeting. Motion by Valburg, seconded by Brandis to approve the following claims:

GENERAL FUND: Commission: Reliance Standard, 15.04, life insurance premiums. Auditor: Amazon, 136.99, office supplies; TwoTrees Technologies, 203.75, troubleshoot software & server retention; First Bank & Trust, 249.95, Adobe subscription; Golden West, 149.59, phone/internet; Office Products, 19.32, copier; Reliance Standard, 9.40, life insurance premium. Treasurer: TwoTrees Technologies, 141.25, troubleshoot software & server retention; Golden West, 57.80, phone/internet; Office Products, 19.31, copier; Reliance Standard, 9.40, life insurance premium. Fax Line: Golden West, 47.33, faxline. States Attorney: Reliance Standard, 9.40, life insurance premium. Court Appointed Attorney: Kelsey Ruby, 804.75, attorney fees; Sandy Steffen, 5738.41, attorney fees. Courthouse: BH Chemical, 102.84, papertowels/gloves; City of White River, 477.80, water/sewer/garbage; Direct Digital Control, 956.25, support contract; Gillen's Station, 10.00, weed eater repair; Justice Fire & Safety, 1224.48, fire extinguisher service; Mike Rasmusson, 20.09, lawn mower kit; Runnings, 170.75, paint/weed eater batteries/weed killer. Director of Equalization: TwoTrees Technologies, 233.75, troubleshoot computer & server retention; Golden West, 82.93, phone/internet; Office Products, 19.31, copier; Ramkota, 109.00, conference lodging; Reliance Standard, 9.40, life insurance premium. Register of Deeds: Amazon, 181.24, printer toner; First Bank & Trust, 30.78, business cards; Golden West, 57.77, phone/internet; McLeod's, 419.80, mortgage record book; Office Products, 35.00, copier; Quill, 48.98, pens & disinfectant spray; Reliance Standard, 3.76, life insurance premium. Sheriff: Amazon, 136.56, phone cases & screen protectors; Cenex, 118.05, fuel; City of White River, 58.00, water/sewer; Farley's Repair, 1450.74, brake repair 2014 Dodge; First Bank & Trust, 1687.72, tactical vests; First Bank & Trust, 1060.12, cuffs/holster/flashlight; Gillen's, 56.79, oil change; Golden Rule Creations, 187.82, office emblems; Golden West, 316.54, phone/internet; Karla's Last Kall, 300.00, deputy lodging; Mellette Co. Treasurer, 26.70, license & title fees; Office Products, 66.55, copier & stamp; Omingo Software, 4554.39, 6 months software; Reliance Standard, 28.20, life insurance premiums; SDPAA, 284.82, insurance 2024 Ford F150. Jail: City of White River, 32.00, water/sewer; Golden West, 84.76, phone/internet; Justice Fire & Safety, 509.76, fire extinguisher service. Ambulance: A&B Welding, 30.60, med oxygen; CC Medical Billing, 40.98, July ambulance billing; City of White River, 58.00, water/sewer; Golden West, 25.44, phone/internet; Karen O'Brien, 12.00, ambulance license renewal. Extension: Golden West, 57.81, phone/internet; Office Products, 19.32, copier. E-911: Golden West, 52.35, phone service; Fire: City of White River, 58.00, water/sewer; Golden West, 25.44, phone/internet; Justice Fire & Safety, 319.66, fire extinguisher service. Emergency Management: City of White River, 58.00, water/sewer; Golden West, 25.44, phone/internet. M&P Fund: SDACC, 8.00, M&P relief fund. Partial Taxes: Mellette Co. Treasurer, 767.11, delinquent taxes.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: Amazon, 45.81, phone case & screen protector; Assman Implement, 1036.44, mower blades; Justin Bouman, 586.00, Gen Max portable generator; Butler, 5378.00, fuel cap/air filter/service; TwoTrees Technologies, 48.75, server retention; First Bank & Trust, 328.15, tires; Floyd's, 59.39, switch paddle; Gillen's, 113.70, fuel; Golden West, 65.95, internet service; Grossenburg's, 162.85, oil filter & oil; Tina Jones, 22.27, mileage; Justice Fire & Safety, 872.96, fire extinguisher service; Office Products, 19.32, copier; Overhead Door, 161.73, remote door openers; Reliance Standard, 28.20, life insurance premium; Road Groom Mfg., 28.156.00, road groom & pump kit; Runnings, 578.93, battery & shop supplies; Alvin Stromer, 222.70, mileage; Tripp Co. Water, 16.00, water Wood shop.

JUNE TAX & SPECIAL HIGHWAY APPORTIONMENT: Colome Consolidated School, 9,899.75; White River School, 39,970.11; City of Wood, 413.53; City of White River, 985.91; Badnation Township, 218.13; BlackPipe Township, 313.25; Butte Township, 178.89; Cody Township, 319.69; Fairview Township, 287.81; Mosher Township, 188.19; New Surprise Valley Township, 35.62; Norris Township, 125.45; Prospect Township, 35.62; Redfish Township, 373.97; Rockyford Township, 197.10; Rosebud Township, 299.90; Runningbird Township, 107.25; Surprise Valley, 116.56; West River Water Development, 102.05.

JUNE PAYROLL: Commissioners 1,829.19; Auditor 5,884.53; Treasurer 5,048.04; States Attorney 5,647.44; Courthouse 3,666.09; Director of Equalization 4,279.49; Register of Deeds 4,684.42; VA Office 504.40; Sheriff 17,790.14; Coroner 107.78; Highway 15,945.66; Emergency Management 423.87.

Commission reviewed the following reports: Auditor's Account w/ Treasurer as of July 31, 2024 is as follows: Actual cash \$881.00; Checks \$1,890.20; Credit Card Payments \$476.60. First Fidelity Checking \$1,847,064.36; First Fidelity CD's \$350,000.00; ROD Account \$250.00 Total: \$2,200,562.16. Register of Deeds collected \$4232.00 for the month of July 2024.

At 11:27 am Chairman Krogman declared the meeting adjourned.

Approved this 3rd day of September 2024.

Casey Krogman, Chairman, Mellette County Commissioners

ATTEST

Jenny Galbraith, County Auditor