

**Official Proceedings
County of Codington, Watertown, South Dakota
Codington County Courthouse**

March 18, 2014

The Codington County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at the Codington County Courthouse. Commission members present were: George Heller, Tyler McElhany, Myron Johnson, Elmer Brinkman, and Brenda Hanten; Chairman Brinkman presiding.

AGENDA APPROVED

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

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion by McElhany, second by Hanten, to approve the minutes of March 11th, 2014; all present voted aye; motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Highway Supt., Rick Small, reported on the following: a meeting with SRF regarding the County's traffic study; the status of a Northern Natural Gas pipeline in conjunction with the County's project on County Road 20; and investigation into the applicability of TIGER grants for use with County road projects. Mr. Small reported the Highway Dept. is patching roads as they break up during this thawing season. Discussion was also held regarding the need for a road to be built on the property for the proposed Justice Center Building project. **Facilities Manager, Milo Ford**, reported on the following: Memorial Park – the online reservation program is up and running through the County's website and the reservation "book" has been replaced with reservation "software". Extension Center Complex – the season for large winter events at the complex is winding down with one large event to take place yet the weekend of March 22nd – 23rd. Mr. Ford advised the Board that there are issues with keeping the fire lanes clear at the Extension complex during events that draw large crowds. Courthouse – the security alteration project in the States Attorney's office is in progress and the local Vietnam Veteran's group would like to see the sidewalk to the Vietnam Veteran's monument, located on the Courthouse lawn, kept clear of snow during the winter months.

WEIGHT LIMIT RESOLUTION

Highway Supt, Rick Small, appeared before the Board to request passage of a vehicle weight limit resolution for spring load limits. Mr. Small has requested assistance from the SD Highway Patrol in enforcing weight limits on County Roads. This resolution is supported by Ordinance #9, as adopted February 4, 1997.

**CODINGTON COUNTY WEIGHT LIMIT RESOLUTION
Resolution No. 2014-5**

WHEREAS, seasonal climatic changes can be detrimental to our highways, and

WHEREAS, the Codington County Board of Commissioners desires to protect existing Codington County Highways, ultimately saving tax dollars and,

WHEREAS, the Codington County Board of Commissioners desire the enforcement of weight limitations on Codington County Highways as set forth and posted by the Codington County Highway Superintendent.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

WHEREAS, the limits on Codington County roads shall be, forty miles per hour truck speed limit and maximum load limit shall be seven tons per axle on all asphalt surfaced roads during the spring thaw period from February 15, 2014, to May 1, 2014 inclusive, when limit signs are in place. That The South Dakota Highway Patrol be, and hereby is authorized and requested to enforce weight and speed limitations on Codington County Roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the penalty for the violation of the load restrictions shall be as set forth in SDCL 32-22-55 and 32-22-56.

Motion by Hanten, second by McElhany, to approve the above and foregoing resolution; all present voted aye; motion carried.

Dated this 18th day of March, 2014, at Watertown, South Dakota.

Elmer P. Brinkman
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman
Codington County Auditor

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR FOCUS WATERTOWN IV CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Representatives from the Watertown Development Company, Craig Atkins and Barry Wilfahrt, met with the Board to review the Focus Watertown IV Capital Campaign and to ask for the County's continued support for this campaign. Motion by Hanten, second by McElhany, to approve Resolution 2014-6; all present voted aye; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-6

Codington County Resolution of Support for the Focus Watertown IV Capital Campaign

WHEREAS the Watertown Development Company has been working to bring quality jobs, encourage capital investment and promote the quality of life in the Watertown region for more than 50 years; and

WHEREAS the Watertown Development Company has developed an aggressive five year plan (Focus IV) to attract new businesses, expand existing business, develop workforce development strategies and has identified and will work on quality of life issue in our region; and

WHEREAS the Watertown Development Company has established a goal of raising \$2,000,000 over the next 5 years to carry out this work; and

WHEREAS the WDC's partnership with Codington County allows the WDC to leverage other public and private sector investment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Codington County Commission has reviewed the five-year plan and hereby publicly acknowledges its support the Focus Watertown IV capital campaign. The Codington County Commission is committed to funding the first year at \$25,000 and acknowledges that the county's future financial support of \$35,000 per year is instrumental in the success of the overall capital campaign.

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Dated this 18th day of March, 2014.

Elmer P. Brinkman
Codington County Chairman

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman
Codington County Auditor

CLAIMS

Motion by Johnson, second by Hanten, to approve for payment the following claims; all present voted aye; motion carried: Brookings County 90.00 registration and City of Watertown 22545.38 January 911 surcharge collections.

TRAVEL REQUESTS

Motion by McElhany, second by Heller, to approve the following travel requests; all present voted aye; motion carried: Emergency Management Director, Jim Sutton; State Homeland Security Senior Advisory Committee meeting in Pierre and State Incident Management Assistance Team meeting in Pierre.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to approve the following personnel changes; all present voted aye; motion carried: Lindee Waba, Treasurer 2nd Deputy, anniversary step increase to step 8/\$17.55 per hour. Jamie Monson, temporary part time legal secretary in the States Attorney's Office, step 9/\$17.26 per hour. Kristi Gast, Criminal/Civil Records Mgmt., anniversary step increase to step 7/\$20.50 per hour. Kathy Young, Criminal/Civil Support Cord., anniversary step increase to step 8/\$18.47 per hour. Jennifer Guest, Correctional Officer, anniversary step increase to step 8/\$20.11 per hour.

JUSTICE CENTER BUILDING PROJECT

Commissioner Heller noted a meeting with the Building Project's Financial Advisor, Toby Morris, is scheduled for Wednesday, March 26th, in Judge Timm's chambers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Hanten, second by Johnson, to enter into executive session at 9:54 a.m., to discuss a personnel/contractual issue; all present voted aye; motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 10:10 a.m.; no action was taken. County Auditor, Cindy Brugman and Weed Dept. Supervisor, Steve Molengraaf, were present for executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Hanten, second by Johnson, to adjourn at 10:11 a.m., until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 25th, 2014; all present voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman
Codington County Auditor

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