

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

March 4, 2014

The Codington County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 4, 2014, at the Codington County Courthouse. Commission members present were: George Heller, Myron Johnson, Elmer Brinkman, and Brenda Hanten; absent Tyler McElhany; Chairman Brinkman presiding.

AGENDA APPROVED

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

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion by Johnson, second by Hanten, to approve the minutes of February 25th, 2014; all present voted aye; motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

4-H/Youth Program Advisor, Jodi Loehrer, reported on the following items: Farm Show wrap up, NE Calf Show, Women in Science, Men in Health, Shooting Sports, 4-H summer events, and Extension Center Complex building use. **SDSU, Field Specialists, Nikki Prosch and Paul Johnson**, updated the Board on activities of the Regional Extension Staff, including the Great Plains Dairy Expo, NRCS fire training, Precision Ag. Conference, Soybean 100 meeting, and Pesticide Applicator Training.

Community Health Nurse, Karla Moes, submitted a written report to the Board regarding WIC activities, office and regional staff meetings, conference calls, and immunization certificates. **Veterans Service Officer, Al Janzen**, reported 8 trips to Sioux Falls in February with 22 riders. The Veterans Service Office continues to work on claims and the Operation "Outreach for Veterans."

Weed Dept. Supervisor, Steve Molengraaf and Weed Dept. Manager, Paul Johnson, reported on the following: working at farm shows, completion of commercial applicators training for Weed Dept. staff, assisting the maintenance staff at the Extension Center complex, attendance at the annual weed conference and various meetings, the discontinuance of using Milestone by the Weed Dept. in 2014, and continuing violations of farming in the road right of way. Mr. Molengraaf advised the Board he has been appointed as the Secretary of the SD Weed and Pest Association.

ROAD BORING LICENSE AGREEMENT APPLICATION

Zoning Officer, Luke Muller, presented to the Board and reviewed an application for a Codington County Road Boring License Agreement, after the fact. Mr. Muller noted application 2014-1 is for property located in the NW1/4 of Section 34-117-51, adjacent to 463rd Ave, in Kranzburg Township, and owned by Larry Cole. Motion by Hanten, second by Johnson, to approve the application of Road Boring License Agreement 2014-1; all present voted aye; motion carried.

OUT OF COUNTY INMATE CONTRACTS

Motion by Hanten, second by Heller, to authorize the Chairman to sign contracts, with Clark, Deuel, Hamlin and Kingsbury Counties, for the housing of inmates from those Counties in the Codington County Detention Center. Discussion was held regarding the cost to house an inmate per day. Upon vote of the Board; all present voted aye; motion carried.

PERMITS TO DISCHARGE FIREWORKS

Motion by Heller, second by Hanten, to authorize the Chairman to sign the following applications to discharge fireworks in Codington County: March 29th, 2014, 6:30 p.m., Lew's Fireworks, north of the Watertown School Bus barn, training to safely light 1.3G fireworks and May 3, 2014, 8:30 p.m., Lew's

Firework, south of Lew's on Highway 212 east, product demonstration for wholesale customers 1.4G. Discussion was held regarding the disturbance to livestock in the area due to the fireworks discharge. Upon vote of the Board; Heller, Brinkman, and Hanten voted aye; Johnson vote no; McElhany was absent; motion carried.

PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT APPLICATIONS

Motion by Johnson, second by Hanten, to approve the following applications for property tax abatements:

<u>Property tax record</u>	<u>Abatement allowed</u>
5406	\$1,315.38 property is owner occupied
11719	\$1,455.82 property owner qualified for state program
6415	\$7,892.84 property owner is exempt from tax
7566	\$ 225.64 property owner is exempt from tax
7567	\$ 293.04 property owner is exempt from tax
7568	\$ 159.74 property owner is exempt from tax
7569	\$ 223.90 property owner is exempt from tax
7573	\$1,194.42 property owner is exempt from tax
6385	\$1,003.64 property owner is exempt from tax
19649-1	\$ 77.44 property owner is exempt from tax
19649-2	\$ 37.36 property owner is exempt from tax
3518	\$4,490.96 incorrect number of gravel acres mined

Upon vote of the Board; all present voted aye; motion carried.

SURPLUS SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

Motion by Hanten, second by Heller, to declare print cartridges, in the Director of Equalization Office, surplus, to be sold at a future County surplus auction; all present voted aye; motion carried. Motion by Johnson, second by Hanten, to declare GEN01164, an Emergency Communications Equipment Project, building and equipment purchased with CDBG grant funds in 2003, surplus, to be returned to the State of South Dakota, Office of Bureau of Information and Telecommunication; all present voted aye; motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUESTS

Motion by Hanten, second by Heller, to approve the following travel requests; all present voted aye; motion carried: Facilities Manager, Data Security meeting in Sioux Falls. Weed Dept. Supervisor, Annual weed meetings in Hamlin and Deuel counties and Cool-Season Invasive Grasses of the Northern Great Plains Workshop in Fargo, ND.

PERSONNEL CHANGE

Motion by Hanten, second by Johnson, to approve the following personnel change: Extension Office Coordinator, Becky Goens, anniversary step increase to step 8/\$18.45 per hour, effective date March 1, 2014; upon vote of the Board; all present voted aye; motion carried.

SDDOT APPLICATION FOR HIGHWAY ACCESS POINT

Commissioner Hanten presented to the Board an application for Highway Access Approach Permit to be sent to the SDDOT related to the proposed Justice Center building site. Motion by Johnson, second by Heller, to authorize the Chairman to sign the aforementioned permit, which is a request to move the property approach approximately 695' to the east of where the current approach is located; all present voted aye; motion carried.

TAX DEED PROPERTY

The Board briefly discussed the possibility of the reconveyance of a piece of property, taken by County tax deed proceedings, to the original owner upon the payment of all delinquent taxes and interest and

other costs incurred by the County through the tax deed proceedings. The Board will take action on this matter at their meeting scheduled for March 11th, 2014.

JUSTICE CENTER BUILDING PROJECT

Commissioner Heller advised the Board that Architecture Inc. will be meeting with staff from the offices to be located in the proposed Justice Center Building, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, March 5th, in the chambers of the County Commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Hanten, second by Johnson, to adjourn at 10:02 a.m., until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 11th, 2014; all present voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman
Codington County Auditor

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