

Official Proceedings
County of Codington, Watertown, South Dakota
Codington County Courthouse
14 1st Ave SE

September 2, 2014

The Codington County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 2nd, 2014, at the Codington County Courthouse. Commission members present were: George Heller, Tyler McElhany, Myron Johnson, and Brenda Hanten; Chairman Elmer Brinkman was absent; Vice-Chair Hanten presiding.

AGENDA APPROVED

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

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion by Johnson, second by Heller, to approve the minutes of August 26, 2014; all present voted aye; motion carried.

2015 PROVISIONAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

The Board held a public hearing, as required by statute and previously advertised, to allow public comment on the Codington County 2015 Provisional Budget. The Auditor reviewed the provisional budget and the procedure to adopt the Provisional Budget as the Annual Budget. Vice-Chair, Brenda Hanten, asked for comments from the public present for this meeting. No persons appeared to address the Board regarding the proposed budget. The Board had no comments on the budget at this time.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Weed Supervisor, Steve Molengraaf, reported inspection of the County has been completed, fall spraying is under way and a Weed Board meeting is scheduled for 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 3rd. Mr. Molengraaf also recently worked a booth at the South Dakota State Fair. **Welfare Director, Sarah Petersen**, reported statistics for her office for the time period of August 1st through August 31st, 2014: 60 contacts, 3 applications; with 2 approved for County assistance; 1 denial; 0 pending or referred; 0 other resources utilized; 0 guarantees; and 2 new clients approved. Total Assistance: \$2,368.79.00 for 1 burial; 1 utility; 0 active medical cases and 1 medical application pending decision. The Welfare Director noted statistics for the NACo Prescription Drug Program in Codington County during the month of July with 166 persons utilizing the program and a realized savings of \$5,330.70 for the month. Ms. Petersen noted a "Stand Down for Veterans" will be held on September 16th in conjunction with Sea of Goodwill's Watertown Veteran's Appreciation Day. **Veterans Service Officer, Al Janzen**, reported 3 trips to Sioux Falls with 7 riders in the month of August. Mr. Janzen recently attended an annual training event for Veterans Service Officers. Mr. Janzen noted that on September 16th the Watertown Veterans First Responders appreciation event will take place at Lake Kampeska at the site of the Veteran's Memorial at 5:00 P.M. and run until 9:00 P.M. with a program beginning at 5:30 P.M. This event is a prelude to Constitution Day which is on September 17th.

CLAIM

Motion by Hanten, second by Johnson, to approve the following claim; all present voted aye; motion carried: SDPRA 150.00 registration.

SEPTEMBER 16TH BOARD MEETING

The Board noted they will not meet on Tuesday, September 16th, 2014, as a quorum of the Board will be in attendance at the SDACC annual conference.

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PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT PROPOSALS

The Auditor opened and announced public defender contract proposals from three law firms.

PRIMARY CONTRACT	2015	2016	2017	2018
Sutton Law Offices	\$170,000	\$174,500	\$180,336	\$185,500
Austin Law Office	\$195,000	\$200,850	\$206,875	\$213,081
SECONDARY CONTRACT				
Austin Law Office	\$45,000	\$46,000	\$47,000	\$48,000
Green, Roby, Oviatt, etc.	\$49,900	\$51,100	\$52,300	\$53,500

Action on these proposals will be taken at the Board's meeting on Tuesday, September 9th, 2014.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to approve the following personnel changes; all present voted aye; motion carried. Anniversary step increase: Work Release Coordinator, Matthew Blackwelder, to step 6/\$19.08 per hour, effective 09/01/2014.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Heller, second by McElhany, to enter into executive session at 9:31 a.m. to discuss union contract negotiations; all present voted aye; motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 10:01 a.m.; no action was taken. Human Resource Director, Terry Satterlee, was present for executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Johnson, second by McElhany, to adjourn at 10:01 a.m., until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 9th, 2014; all present voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman

Codington County Auditor

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