April 19, 2016

The Codington County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 19, 2016, at the Codington County Courthouse. Commission members present were: Tyler McElhany, Myron Johnson, Elmer Brinkman, and Brenda Hanten; absent Lee Gabel; Chairman Brinkman, presiding.

**AGENDA APPROVED**
Motion by Hanten, second by McElhany, to approve the agenda; all present voted aye; motion carried.

**MINUTES APPROVED**
Motion by McElhany, second by Hanten, to approve the minutes of April 12th, 2016; all present voted aye; motion carried.

**BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF WATERTOWN**
Boys and Girls Club representatives; Jodi Driscoll, Liz Christianson, and Kelly Jaderborg; met with the Board to discuss the Club’s Capital Campaign project. The representatives reviewed plans for the 3.5 million dollar capital campaign which will replace, update and expand the current youth development facility, which is at capacity and needs more space to meet the growing demand for services. Discussion was also held regarding services currently in place at the club. Ms. Christianson asked the Board to consider a $50,000.00 donation to the Capital Campaign. Commissioner Johnson suggested the Board take this request under advisement until a full Commission Board is present.

**MONTHLY REPORTS**
Highway Supt., Rick Small, reported the fire and carbon monoxide detector systems have been installed in the out shops, applicants have been interviewed and offers of employment made for two open positions at the Highway Dept., seasonal help has been contacted for re-employment in 2016, auction items are being accumulated for the County’s upcoming surplus equipment auction, and the Highway employees have been pulling road shoulders. Mr. Small noted he will be attending the NACE Conference next week.

4-H/Youth Program Advisor, Jodi Loehrer, reported on the following items: Clover Buds camp, judging schools, State Shoot, Optimist Club Essays, bike safety, and the SD Association of 4H Professionals conference. Jodi introduced new hire, Extension Deputy Office Coordinator, Kim Johnson, to the Board.

**CLAIMS**
Motion by Hanten, second by McElhany, to approve for payment the following claims; all present voted aye; motion carried: Credit Collections Bureau 2494.92 svc, Thomson Reuters-West Pub. 234.50 pmt, Visa 1857.22 sup/trav, City of Watertown 21502.97 surcharge 911.

**BURN BAN DISCUSSION**
Emergency Management Director, Jim Sutton, met with the Board to discuss the recent rains in the County, which has alleviated the need for enacting a ban on opening burning, at this time.

**PERSONNEL CHANGES**
Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to approve the following personnel changes; all present voted aye; motion carried: Weed Supervisor, Steve Molengraaf; anniversary step increase from step 9/$20.21 to step 10/$20.51 per hour. Jamie Monson, transfer from the D.O.E. Office to the States Attorney Office,
step 6/$16.97 per hour. Part time Correctional Officer, Kelly Spieker; step increase from step 1/$17.03 to step 2/$17.56 per hour.

TRAVEL REQUESTS
Motion by Hanten, second by McElhany, to approve the following travel requests; all present voted aye; motion carried: Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, and Register of Deeds, SDACO Spring Workshop; Director of Equalization and appraisal staff; SDAAO Conference; Weed Supervisor, Invasive Weed Management Training; and Emergency Management Director, State Homeland Security Conference.

TRAIL PROJECT RIGHT OF WAY DONATION – MEMORIAL PARK
Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement for voluntary right of way donation for the City’s trail project through Memorial Park; all present voted aye; motion carried.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION SALES AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORTS
The Board noted receipt of a report from the SD Dept. of Revenue regarding the latest audit of the Director of Equalization Office. This report provided information to the Board that the Director of Equalization Office meets compliance and sales ratio findings. The report indicated the Codington County Director of Equalization office is in compliance with all reports required by Law or Rule and records are properly maintained.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Hanten, second by McElhany, to adjourn at 9:51 a.m., until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 26th, 2016; all present voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman
Codington County Auditor

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