

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

August 2, 2016

The Codington County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 2nd, 2016, at the Codington County Courthouse. Commission members present were: Lee Gabel, Tyler McElhany, Myron Johnson, Elmer Brinkman, and Brenda Hanten; Chairman Elmer 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 July 26th, 2016; all present voted aye; motion carried.

BURN BAN EXCEPTION APPLICATION

Codington County property owner, Lyle Tschakert, appeared before the Board to request approval to burn off a couple of sloughs and one alfalfa field during the County's ban on open burning. Mr. Tschakert's intent is to plant the alfalfa field with millet which needs to occur very shortly. Motion by McElhany, second by Gabel, to grant an exception to the County's ban on open burning and to allow Lyle Tschakert to conduct a controlled burn on the aforementioned sloughs and field. Mr. Tschakert was advised to notify dispatch when the controlled burn will take place to avoid a call out of law enforcement or local fire departments. Upon vote of the Board; all present voted aye; motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Weed Supervisor, Steve Molengraaf, reported on the following: poison hemlock moths have been released in Deuel, Hamlin and Codington counties; attended an IPM (Integrated Pest Management) School; a positive pool collection of mosquitoes has been gathered in the municipality of Kranzburg which then resulted in a fogging in that municipality; and the route has been planned for the Weed Tour scheduled for September 15th. Mr. Molengraaf provided the Board with a demonstration on how mosquitoes are collected for testing of the West Nile virus. Mr. Molengraaf noted there is one reported case of West Nile virus in Codington County at this time. **Welfare Director, Sarah Petersen**, provided the Board with reports of statistics from the Welfare office for the month of July 2016. 20 people were served for the following: 1 medical, 4 homeless, 9 housing, 2 housing support, 1 prescription, 0 transportation, 2 burials, and 1 utility. \$2,925.00 in cost was paid out for these contacts and \$5,500.69 was saved using other resources. Ms. Petersen reported the NACO prescription drug card program provided \$3,763.19 in savings for 74 people for the months of June. Ms. Petersen noted she attended the following events: July 11th Mental Health Task Force, July 19th Sheriff's Regional Association, and July 22nd through 25th NACo Conference. Ms. Petersen reviewed an out of the ordinary burial case and advised the Board she has expended approximately 25-30 hours on this case to date. Ms. Petersen also reviewed the data being collected for the "White House Data Driven Justice System."

BURN BAN ORDINANCE

The Board held a brief discussion regarding the ban on open burning in Codington County and agreed to continue the ban. The Board will review the ban each week and take action to lift the ban when dry conditions adequately improve.

EXTENSION CENTER COMPLEX CONCRETE PROJECT

Facility Manager, Milo Ford, requested authorization to proceed with a concrete replacement project for entrance “H” at the Extension Center complex. Mr. Ford advised the Board that the concrete at this entrance has been subject to ice heaves during the winter months and needs to be replaced for liability purposes. Mr. Ford noted the approximate cost of this project is \$5,800.00 and is a budgeted item. Motion by Hanten, second by Johnson, to authorize the concrete project as outlined by the Facility Manager; all present voted aye; motion carried.

LIQUOR TAX REVERSION FUNDS

Motion by Hanten, second by McElhany, to designate new revenue, Liquor Tax Reversion funds, to offset budget expenditures of the Sheriff and Jail. Sheriff Wishard outlined the expenditures this new revenue could be spent on, including but not limited to: coverage in the control room at the Detention Center during peak hours, a part time Deputy Sheriff to cover ever increasing court security time and an additional part correctional officer to augment the Detention Center part time pool. Codington County is estimated to collect annual revenue of \$108,000.00 with the collection of these funds per SDCL 35-5-22.2. Upon vote of the Board; all present voted aye; motion carried.

CITIZEN SHADOW PROGRAM

Sheriff Wishard updated the Board on the “Citizen Shadow Program” being offered through his office and the Detention Center. Sheriff Wishard explained he is offering invites to persons to come in and observe a portion of a shift in the Detention Center with a recommendation of a minimum two hour shift. The purpose of the program is to educate persons on the flow of the facility, types of clientele who come through the facility, and to put invitees in the shoes of a Correctional Officer for a short period of time.

FIREWORKS DISCHARGE APPLICATION

Motion by Hanten, second by McElhany, to approve the following permit to discharge fireworks: August 20, 2016; Meester reunion to be held at Joy Ranch; consumer fireworks. Upon vote of the Board; Gabel, McElhany, Brinkman, and Hanten voted aye; Johnson vote no; motion carried.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Motion by Hanten, second by Gabel, to approve the following personnel change; all present voted aye; motion carried: Building Maintenance, Scott Swanson; promotion to Lead Building Maintenance, step 8/\$19.91 per hour; effective August 1, 2016.

TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion by McElhany, second by Hanten, to approve the following travel request; all present voted aye; motion carried: Register of Deeds, SDACES 2016 meeting.

CCJAC

Commissioner Gabel advised the Board that the next working meeting of the CCJAC has been set for Monday, August 8th at 6:10 p.m. at LATI room 430. Commissioner Gabel shared notes from a CCJAC conference call, held on August 1st, in preparation of upcoming workshop #4 scheduled for August 8th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Hanten, second by Gabel, to adjourn at 10:07 a.m., until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 9th, 2016; all present voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Brugman
Codington County Auditor

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