**REGULAR MEETING OF BRULE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**August 1, 2024**

The Board of Brule County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. at the Brule County

Courthouse. Members present: DeBoer, Dozark, Carson, Mairose and Swanson Also present: Dedrich Koch, Deputy States Attorney, and Debi Kourt, Central Dakota Times. No public comments or conflicts of interest were noted.

# APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to approve the minutes of July 18, 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**JAIL BUILDING**

Toby Morris, Jim Weber and Paul Williams from Puetz Design/Build met with the Board to discuss options for the Jail Building. Due to the age of the building and possible safety concerns the Board wanted some different options to look at to update the building and improve some of the safety issues. Morris and Weber advised that they would get some contact information to the Auditor of contractors/architects that could give us an estimate on what can/should be done and a cost of the study and remodeling.

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to enter Board of Adjustment at 10:05 am.

A hearing was held at 10:05 am for a rezoning of the following property: Lot A of Cedar Bluffs Addition in the Pt of NE 2-104-71 laying West of SD Highway 50. The owners wanted to rezone the property from Agriculture to R1-Residential to conform with the surrounding neighborhood. Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Swanson seconded to approve the rezoning, due to the size and location of the lot, highway access is already established and the adjoining properties are currently zoned R1-Residential. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

that is less than 10 acres and to allow a variance of the setbacks. Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to allow the variance due to the location of the railroad tracks making the lot smaller than 10 acres and the to reduce the front setback to 40’ due to the elevation and waterways on the parcel. The back setback remains at 20’ from the Railroad right of way. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Board of Adjustment was over at 10:35 am.

**DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION**

Kim Kontz, Director of Equalization, presented an updated set of Campground Regulations. A public hearing was held at 10:35 am regarding the regulations. Sam and Tina Schuman and Bob Deelstra from SD Auto Dealers were present for the hearing. Deelstra advised that he supported some areas of the regulations but did not agree with some of the regulations proposed. Tina and Sam Schuman also went through the regulations line by line disagreeing with several of the regulations. Commissioner Swanson advised after some discussion with the Board that she would work with the Director of Equalization and rewrite the regulations and present at a later date.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Katheryn Benton, Emergency Manager met with the Board and discussed Brule County becoming a Cardiac County and of the upcoming training for the Courthouse personnel on CPR, AED’s, Narcan and Stop The Bleed kits located in the Courthouse.

**TAX DEED PROPERTY**

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Carson seconded to surplus the following property: S ½ Lot 2 Block 2 Warners 3rd Addition in Kimball and to sell it to the highest bidder by sealed bids. The minimum bid to be accepted is $3,000.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**BUDGETS**

Work continued on the 2025 provisional budget – mainly the Highway and States Attorney budgets, with no action taken.

**CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Commissioner Mairose moved and Commissioner Carson seconded to dissolve capital outlay accumulations of $89,395 for the stabilization project. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**UNAUTHORIZED BURN**

Deputy Vander Windt, Deputy Sheriff and Emergency Manager Katheryn Benton advised that Jason Blasius had an unauthorized burn on July 16, 2024, burning wood, shrubs and tires. Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Dozark seconded to assess a $500.00 fine to Blasius. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Carson moved and Commissioner Swanson seconded to enter executive session at 11:35 am to discuss legal and personnel issues. Executive session over at 12:17 pm. No action was taken.

**REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**

The following reports were received and placed on file in the County Auditor’s officeSDACC Membership Information, Dept of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

# APPROVE CLAIMS

Commissioner Carson and Commissioner Swanson seconded to approve the following bills and payroll. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND**

***Salaries:*** Commissioners, 1547.70; Auditor, 3437.56; Treasurer, 3447.96; States Attorney, 6270.38; Register of Deeds, 2093.56; Sheriff, 8789.26; Jail, 11202.89; Courthouse, 1488.00; Assessor, 2899.79; Planning Commission, 322.20; Veteran Service, 829.22; Victim Witness Coordinator, 226.80; Extension, 378.00; Weed & Pest, 1295.00. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 3622.78. ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 2486.77. ***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 3546.27. AVI Systems, Inc, 13,030.92; Alexander, Laura, 135.00; Ashley, Jeffrey, 73.58; Bode, Julie, 69.65; Bomgaars Supply, 214.77; C R Landscaping & Design, 580.00; Caldwell, Christopher, 51.31; Denning, Deric, 414.00; Dozark, Gary, 530.40; Fink, Keith, 57.86; First Dakota Bank, 271.45 Hein Law Office, 2804.49; Innovative Basement Authority, 67,046.20; Johnson, Pochop Law Office, 1639.60; Johnson, Dari, 51.31; Kaleb’s Service, 187.95; Lewis Drug Inc, 186.31; Mairose & Steele Prof, 1703.00; McManus, Chad, 56.55; Miller, Darrell, 1998.00; Mitchell Regional 911, 3199.55; Northwestern, 3414.13; Office Products Center, 321.73; Petty Cash, 21.22; Powell, Bonnie, 51.31; Smith, Garrett, 73.58; Steve Smith Law Office, 3690.70; Thomas, Kurt, 93.23; Thompson, Sheila, 55.24; Verizon Connect, 100.63; Verizon Wireless, 171.06.

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**

***Salaries:*** 11,836.99. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 929.87. ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 710.22.

***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 328.36. American Garage Door 2919.45; Brooks Hardware, 427.55; C & S Truck Sales, 1303.36; Larry’s Automotive Service, 40.85; McLeod’s Printing, 225.90; Northwestern, 159.97; Overweg Repair, 37.32; R & J Gravel Inc, 9650.00; RDO Equipment Company, 668.02.

**911 FUND**

Mitchell Regional 911, 22,080.30.

**24/7 FUND**

***Salaries:*** 29.90. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 4.80. ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 2.40. ***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 32.84.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND**

***Salaries:*** 699.30. ***FICA & Medicare:*** First Dakota Bank, 78.61 ***Retirement:*** SDRS, 41.96. ***Insurance Reimbursement:*** 328.36.

# ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Swanson moved and Commissioner Mairose seconded to adjourn at 12:27 pm with the next meeting being held on 8-15-2024 at 8:30 am. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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BRULE COUNTY AUDITOR BOARD OF BRULE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS