

December 10, 2013
Unapproved minutes

Union County Commissioners

The Union County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on December 10, 2013, at the Courthouse in Elk Point, SD at 8:33 a.m.

Members present were Jordan, Karpen, Neely, Schempp and Ustad.

Motion by Jordan, second by Neely to approve the agenda. Carried.

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to approve the minutes of November 26, 2013. Carried.

November Monthly Reports

Veterans Service Officer reported 4 individual contacts.

Clerk of Courts reported \$25,208.85 in fines and fees.

Register of Deeds' reported \$15,800.50 in transfer tax and \$10,943 in fees.

Sheriff reported Federal Prisoner & INS room & board fees-\$14,786.11

Nurse reported \$70 in donations.

Bank Balance

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER
November 2013

Total amount of deposits in bank	\$3,533,402.17
Total amount of actual cash	\$4,476.69
Total amount of checks and drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding three days	\$74,622.49
Investments	\$4,538,147.68
Cash Variance	\$65.49
Credit card outstanding	\$2822.23
Total	\$8,153,356.75

*Note: These figures include all funds administered by the county including city, schools & township revenue and other pass through accounts.

Cash Transfer

Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to approve transfer from General Fund to Highway Fund in the amount of \$500,417.54 (opt out dollars). Carried. Motion by Schempp, second by Neely to approve cash transfer to the EMA fund in the amount of \$11,000. Carried.

Automatic Supplements

Motion by Ustad, second by Jordan to approve the following automatic supplements: Jail-JJDP- \$1511.63; Sheriff- Hwy Safety Grants \$1795.54; Highway-FEMA Grants- \$86,136.79; Weed- State Grant-\$1524.49; TIF-Budget Auto Supplement-\$27,229. Carried.

Resolution

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to approve the following resolution. Carried.

RESOLUTION #UCC 2013-006

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHAIRMAN AND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF UNION, SOUTH DAKOTA, as follows:

WHEREAS, UNION County, South Dakota is a political subdivision charged by law with protecting the public safety, health, and welfare of the citizens residing and doing business within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, UNION County has a duty to protect the sound economic stability that private property base that provides through ad valorem taxes the revenue from which UNION County funds the police powers of the Sheriff, and all other services required by law to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, UNION County has a direct, proximate interest in assuring that private property is not removed from the ad valorem tax base unless the removal is an exercise of the right to own and control private property in such a way that does not adversely affect other citizen's ownership and control of their private property within the county and does not adversely affect the ability of the County to provide for the public safety, health and welfare of its residents and those doing business within its borders; and

WHEREAS, UNION County has statutory authority over various elements of land-use development within the county, including but not limited to such matters as zoning, and the subdivision of property which directly effects growth, development and expansion of county's tax base to provide for all services required by law.

WHEREAS, UNION County, South Dakota is directly affected by that portion of the Niobrara Confluence and Ponca Bluffs Conservation Areas along the Missouri River in both Northeast Nebraska and Southeast South Dakota, as that portion of the project that is within Union County and identified in the Southeast portion of South Dakota directly affects the ad valorem tax bases in several townships and Union County's ability to provide for law enforcement overall; the ability to maintain and repair the roads, culverts, and bridges; and the ability to fund Fire and Emergency Medical Services districts.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Park Service are contemplating a joint conservation effort for the Niobrara Confluence and Ponca Bluffs Conservation Areas along the Missouri River in both Northeast Nebraska and Southeast South Dakota, and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Park Service have drafted an Environmental Impact Statement and Land Protection Plan for the Niobrara Confluence and Ponca Bluffs Conservation Areas that describes and evaluated four alternative plans for managing wildlife, habitat, recreational access, and the protection of historic sites, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNION County Board of COMMISSIONERS oppose the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Land Protection Plan, Niobrara Confluence and Ponca Bluffs Conservation Areas, proposed by the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and would support “alternative A – No Action” regarding the “Land Protection Plan”.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNION County Board of COMMISSIONERS support that notices be specifically sent to every taxing entity that relies upon the ad valorem taxes from the proposed “Land Protection Plan” and to all affected landowners within the “Land Protection Plan.”

AND FINALLY, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the UNION County Board of COMMISSIONERS support and hereby further request that the time for public and government input, testimony, and consideration of resolutions be re-opened and extended to allow for affected entities and citizens to respond and be heard.

Approved this 10th day of December 2013, at a regular meeting of the Board of COMMISSIONERS of UNION County, South Dakota.

Abatement 2013-011

Motion by Ustad, second by Neely to approve the abatement application from Skrefsrud Lutheran Church as a tax exempt entity: Beresford City- \$54.47; Beresford School-\$148.77; Union County-\$39.90. Total-\$243.14. Carried.

Fuel Quote

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to approve the fuel quote from Southeast Farmers Coop for 8,500 gallons of Unleaded fuel @2.9384. Carried. (Southeast Farmers-2.993)

Contingency

Motion by Ustad, second by Schempp to approve the contingency transfer to Weed budget for \$5,000. Carried.

Personnel

Motion by Neely, second by Ustad to approve resignation for Jill Merica, sheriff dispatcher, effective December 3, 2013. Carried.

Department Heads

Planning Director Henze met with the board to discuss the MS4 program and report on the Sveeggen nuisance property. Following discussion, the board agreed to an extension of May 1, 2014 for cleanup and Henze will send letters regarding the matter.

Director of Equalization Steckelberg met with the board-discussion about the changefinder program took place.

Auditor Klumper asked the board about policy on county wi-fi in the courthouse and who was allowed access other than county employees. Treasurer Hertel was asked some questions about the security and was decided at this time, that outside public were not allowed to use the wi-fi. Hertel will check into some measures that could be taken to make it more secure and consider the possibility of public wi-fi.

Highway

PWA Roggow met with the board and presented them with RFP's on the architecture and engineering of the new maintenance building.

Contingency

Motion by Schempp, second by Ustad to approve contingency transfer to the EMA budget for \$12,100. Carried.

States Attorney

SA Miller was present for discussion regarding the process of county welfare/indigent matters.

Executive Session

Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to enter executive session at 10:43 to discuss personnel. Motion carried. Chairman declared the board out of session at 11:08.

Recess

Chairman declared a recess from 11:08 to 11:15.

Claims

Motion by Neely, second by Schempp to approve the following claims. Carried. The following claims have been audited, approved and warrants drawn on the same: Bi-weekly payroll for 12-13-2013: Auditor \$84.00; Treasurer \$252.00; State's Attorney \$518.10; Public Building \$676.00; Register of Deeds \$658.85; Sheriff \$36,829.81; Nurse \$170.55; WIC \$289.94; Highway \$21,186.66; EMA \$342.78.

Accurate Reporting (Transcripts) \$681.25; Alcester Ambulance (Allotment) \$5,000.00; Alcester Fire (Allotment) \$7,608.00; Alcester Union (Legals) \$217.44; Alliance Comm (Util) \$186.00; Am San (Supp) \$1,390.39; Avera Mckennan Hosp (Subpoena Fees) \$51.60; Barnes Distribution (Supp) \$267.74; Beresford Ambulance (Allotment) \$5,000.00; Beresford Fire Dept (Allotment) \$8,608.00; Beresford Municipal Telephone (Util) \$1,016.16; Beresford Republic (Legals) \$184.03; Bierschbach Equip (Supp) \$782.90; Bob Barker (Supp) \$285.29; Butler Machinery (Supp/Repair) \$10,071.65; Campbell Grading (Repair) \$3,956.64; Campbell Supply (Supp) \$293.91; Century Link (Util) \$64.40; Chemco (Supp) \$256.25; Chesterman (Water) \$132.60; City of Alcester (Util) \$43.19; Country Estates Truck Repair (Maint) \$578.25; Crop Production Svc (Supp) \$2,323.15; Dakota Diesel Svc (Supp) \$511.80; Dakota Dunes NSC Times (Legals) \$226.99; Dennis J. Anderson (Hazardous Mitigation Plan) \$3,000.00; Diesel Machinery (Repair)

\$209.89; Dware (Maint) \$1,550.00; Elite K-9 (K-9) \$1,779.90; Elk Point Ambulance (Allotment) \$5,000.00; Enventis (Util) \$122.70; Filter Care (Supp) \$30.10; GA Johnson Const (Prof Svc) \$3,184.88; Hydraulic Sales (Repair) \$295.02; Inland Truck Parts (Repair/Supp) \$193.36; Jacks Uniform & Equip (Cloth Allow) \$496.01; Jeanne M Bossman (Transcripts) \$37.40; Jefferson Ambulance (Allotment) \$5,000.00; Jefferson Fire Dept (Allotment) \$7,608.00; Jones Food Ctr (Supp) \$19.23; Juror Fees \$468.08; Kasseburg Canine Training (K-9) \$6,000.00; Katie Johnson (Pub Def) \$2,359.51; Knology (Util) \$188.78; Leader Courier (Legals) \$230.55; Maint Engineering (Supp) \$462.36; Mcleods (Supp) \$512.45; Menards (Repair) \$156.01; Michael McGill (Pub Def) \$2,359.51; Midwest Wheel (Repair) \$247.84; MPH Industries, (Supp) \$33.00; Muller Auto Parts (Supp/Repair) \$300.27; Nygren's True Value (Supp/Repair) \$243.98; O'Reilly Auto Parts (Supp) \$4.36; Ollies Drive Inn (Meals for Jail) \$9,796.20; Olson's Ace Hardware (Supp) \$54.71; PCS Mobile (Computers) \$7,635.75; Perkins Office Solutions (Supp) \$204.49; Peterson, Stuart, Rumpca & Rasmussen (Pub Def) \$7,141.53; Pharm Chem (Supp) \$147.00; Pheasantland Ind (Supp) \$101.66; Pictometry Int'l (Supp) \$3,611.25; Pioneer Drug (Drugs) \$1,339.97; Powerphone (Training) \$129.00; Powerplan (Repair) \$26.28; Quill Corp (Supp) \$220.10; Red Wing Shoe Store (Cloth Allow) \$127.49; Sam's Club (Supp/Membership) \$509.85; SD Dept Transportation (Pavement Marking) \$46,757.81; SDAAO (Dues) \$165.00; Servall Towel & Linen (Towel Svc) \$31.41; Sioux Falls Two-Way Radio (Supp) \$853.23; Sioux Laundry (Wash for Jail) \$544.68; Siouxland Humane Society (Care) \$37.00; Sooland Bobcat (Repair) \$251.03; State Bar of South Dakota (Dues) \$830.00; State of South Dakota (Util) \$324.07; Sturdevant's Auto Parts (Supp/Repair) \$962.98; The Boulder Company (Supp) \$340.32; Thomson Reuters (Supp) \$75.00; TLO (Subpoena Fees) \$5.00; Turkey Ridge Oil (Supp) \$54,018.46; Union County (Maint) \$29,015.58; Union County Conservation (Allotment) \$3,750.00; Verizon Wireless (Cell Svc) \$156.08; Volunteers of America (Care) \$2,200.00; Yankton County (Reimb MI) \$453.15; Yankton Sioux Tribe (Tribal Historic Preservation) \$1,327.47.

2014 Salaries

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to approve the 2014 salaries as listed. Carried. Individual salaries will be listed in January 2014 as required by state law.

Adjournment

Motion by Ustad, second by Neely to adjourn at 11:34. Carried.

ATTEST: _____

Carol Klumper, Auditor
Union County

Doyle Karpen, Chairman
Union County Board of Commissioners

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