

September 6, 2011
Unapproved minutes
Union County Commissioners

The Union County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on September 6, 2011, at the Courthouse in Elk Point, SD at 8:35 a.m.

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

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

Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to approve the minutes from August 23 as presented. Carried.

Surplus

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to surplus the 2000 Ford CVC Title #11533395 and offer it for sealed bids to be opened on the 27th with minimum bid of \$300. Carried.

Motion by Ustad, second by Schempp to surplus 2007 Trinity Snowmobile trailer for trade-in on the purchase of a new trailer.

Public Properties

The board set the property and minimum prices to be advertised on the public properties available for lease. The board set the minimum bids on the following property: Beef Barn: \$450/\$45 per month/\$20 per week; Show Ring-\$1200; \$120 per month/\$40 per week; Exhibit Building(excludes meeting room)-\$1000/100 per month/25 per week; Hoop Building-\$500/\$50 per month/\$25 per week; Fairgrounds Parking Area(Jan thru April, one month extension with board approval)-\$1250/\$150 per month/no weekly; Meeting room-\$1000/\$100 per month/\$25 per week. Lease agreements will describe the time from July 1 through August 14 as exclusive use for purpose of setting up, preparing, tearing down and clean up before and after the Union County Fair. Also included will be the property described as Vacant Lot North Half of Lot 1 and the North Half of the East 46.10 feet of Lot 2 in Block 4, Original Plat of the City of Elk Point @ \$100 per month. These will be advertised and offered publicly on September 27 at 9:30 at the next Union County Commissioner's meeting.

Fuel Quote

Motion by Neely, second by Ustad to approve the fuel quote for 7200 gallons of #2 Diesel from SE Farmers Elevator at 3.1802. (Turkey Ridge-3.1997) Carried.

Bank Balance

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER
August 2011

Total amount of deposits in bank	\$78,443.24
Total amount of actual cash	\$2,616.32
Total amount of checks and drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding three days	\$16,909.12
Investments	\$5,243,670.35

Cash Variance	-\$-95.69
Credit card outstanding	\$632.31
Total	\$5,342,175.65

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

Recess

Chairman declared a recess at 9:25 for 5 minutes.

Budget Hearing

2012 budget hearing took place at 9:00 a.m. with various members of the public commenting on the provisional budget. Hearing closed at 9:20 a.m.

Recess

Chairman declared a recess at 9:20 until 9:30.

Exit 15

Jon Ries met with the board to discuss gaining local community support for a proposal to make the Exit 15 interchange safer and add it to the current Knife River contractor working on the interstate reconstruction project. Ries presented a resolution. Board will consider the resolution.

FEMA

Jerry Fields, FEMA, met with the board regarding individual assistance in the County which began August 23.

Resolution

Motion by Ustad, second by Neely to approve the following resolution. Carried.

**Resolution of Support for
Rectifying Poor Sight Distance at Exit 15
#UCC 2011-005**

Whereas,

Interstate Exit 15 currently suffers from poor sight distance due to poor alignment and concrete barrier placement, and

The Exit has not had significant improvement since it was modified with concrete barriers decades ago, and

Several accidents have occurred in the past decades at this exit due to traffic not being able to see each other, and

Many near misses have also occurred in the past, and

Traffic numbers have increased dramatically at this exit since the barriers were added and again recently due to the addition of a nearby convenience store/gas station, and

Whereas most of the additional traffic wishing to access the Gas Station at this exit are out-of-state and are unaware of the poor sight distance situation, and
Whereas the Interstate system is being reconstructed as it passes by the exit, with resurfacing scheduled to be performed at this exit, and
with slight alterations to the ramp alignments and profiles and cross road profile, permanent improvements to sight distance can be offered so all traffic can see each other, and
and
by including this work with the current Interstate rebuilding project, required material becomes available from the project itself, presenting unique significant cost savings, and
by proper design, all work can be performed within existing right-of-way, without altering drainage, and without shutting down exit traffic, and
With an estimated cost being less than 7% of the Interstate rebuilding project, and
with no indication from the state DOT that this site is scheduled for reconstruction or a project to repair the sight distance problem if not included in the current project,
Therefore,
The Union County Commission hereby issues this Resolution of support for any proposal to the SD DOT by the Interstate Contractor for work related to rectifying the poor sight distance at I29's Exit 15, for work to be performed this year or next year, if requiring an extension of the project.
Dated at Elk Point, SD this 6th day of September, 2011.
Vote 5 Aye 0 Nay.

Highway & EMA

PWA Roggow met with the board to discuss various matters.
Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to accept the bid from Simmons Recovery Consulting to use as needed. Carried.

States Attorney

Commissioner Schempp explained that he had complaints from people regarding noise from the õHillbillyö establishment (Growlers). After discussion with the States Attorney, it was determined that the SA will discuss this matter with Sheriff's department.

Director of Equalization

DOE Steckelberg met with the board and discussed performing a damage review of the Riv-R-Land properties. Board members will make themselves available as their schedules allow to help with the review.

Flood Photos

The board discussed the possibility of printing and selling the aerial flood photos.

Claims

Motion by Schempp, second by Neely to approve the claims as follows. Carried.
The following claims have been audited, approved and warrants drawn on the same: Bi-Weekly payroll for 09-09-2011: Auditor \$393.75; Coroner \$116.00; State's Attorney

\$559.46; Public Building \$754.00; Register of Deeds \$599.95; Sheriff \$29,589.74; Nurse \$159.75; WIC \$244.95; Weed \$2161.05; Highway \$17,474.58; EMA \$3,902.38. Artic Ice (Supp) \$192.60; Bierschbach Equipment (Supp) \$274.29; TuDogs Computing (Maint) \$750.00; Century Link (Phone) \$2.89; Claritus (SESD Flood) \$286.00; Cody Gradert (Land) \$10,150.00; Community Health Clinic (Care) \$53.30; Country Estates (Maint) \$81.50; Dakota Dunes North Sioux (Legal Ads) \$663.24; Dakota PC Warehouse (Personal Property) \$119.99; Daniel Gradert (Land) \$5,515.00; Fastenal Company (Supp) \$286.23; Hickory Tech (Phones) \$122.70; High Plains Business Forms (Supp) \$375.00; Holiday Inn (Room) \$110.88; Jacks Uniform & Equip (Supp) \$169.95; Janitor Depot (Supp) \$488.90; Jebro (Supp/Const) \$352,447.24; Jim's Water (Maint) \$105.00; Justin Boyd (Mileage) \$8.14; Knife River Midwest (Highway Const) \$122,419.47; Knology (Phone/Internet) \$175.45; Leader Courier (Ad) \$ 672.72; Lite Form (2010 Fema Repairs) \$126.15; Mid-American Research (Supp) \$155.67; Mid-American Energy (Util) \$80.76; Muller Auto Parts (Repairs/Supp) \$132.11; Myrl & Roys Paving (Const) \$57.72; Nygren's True Value (Supp) \$137.95; Office Depot (Supp) \$145.18; Office Elements (Supp) \$141.88; Ollies Drive Inn (Meals/Jail) \$10,018.25; Petes Produce (Supp) \$49.50; Pioneer Drug (Drugs) Jail \$2,644.71; Powerplan (Repairs/Supp) \$93.40; Pyle Automotive (Maint) \$48.87; Quill Corporation (Supp) \$163.05; Safelite Auto Glass (Repairs) \$237.89; Sara Beatty (Supp) \$10.14; Schoeneman Bros (Supp) \$30.90; SD Dept Transportation (20% Share) \$161.60; SDACO (DVD) \$50.00; SDEMA (Reg/Dues) \$140.00; SDSA (Reg) \$150.00; Sheriff Woodbury County (Returns) \$35.31; Sioux City Bolt (Repairs) \$62.84; Sioux City Night Patrol (Security) \$36,705.00; Sioux Laundry (Wash) Jail \$582.30; State Bank Of Alcester (Payment) \$3,931.78; Stewart Oil & Tire (Repairs) \$167.50; Turkey Ridge Oil (Supp) \$22,531.93; Union Co Soil Conservation (Allot/2011) \$7,500.00; Jurors (Jury Duty)\$2,750.50.

Budget

Discussion took place on the 2012 budget. Motion by Ustad, second by Neely to divide the percentages of the current position of the 4-H Program Assistant in the Extension Office to be changed to 15% Weed, 35% Fairboard and 50% Extension for the 2012 budget. Carried. Discussion took place on the salary compensation to be used for the budget for 2012. It was determined to use \$33,618.47 due to the change in structure of the State Extension program.

Adjournment

Motion by Ustad, second by Schempp to adjourn the meeting until September 27, 2011. Carried.

ATTEST: _____

Carol Klumper, Auditor
Union County

Doyle Karpen, Chairman
Union County Board of Commissioners