

March 9, 2010
Unapproved minutes
Union County Commissioners

The Union County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on March 9, 2010, at the Courthouse in Elk Point, SD at 8:35 a.m.

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

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried.

Motion by Jordan second by Neely to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2010 meeting. Carried.

Payphones

Motion by Schempp, second by Neely to remove the payphones from the courthouse lobby and sheriff dept. lobby. Carried.

Sick bank committee

Discussion took place on sick bank committee. Auditor will request volunteers from the courthouse, sheriff and public works departments to serve on the sick leave bank committee.

New Hires

Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to approve Russel Golden, special deputy effective 2-25-10 @ \$10.00 and James Hurst, special deputy @ \$10.00 effective 3-4-10. Carried.

Resignation

Motion by Schempp, second by Ustad to approve the resignation from deputy Sheriff Mike Palmer. Carried.

Travel Authorization

Motion by Jordan, second by Neely to approve travel for Sheriff Secretary Tracy Smith to attend a grant-writing session in Sioux Falls on March 15 and 16. Carried.

WIC Contract

Motion by Schempp, second by Jordan to approve an amendment to the WIC contract up to \$6,252.20. Carried.

Bank Balance

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER February 2010

Total amount of deposits in bank	\$1,209,511.72
Total amount of actual cash	\$3,941.55
Total amount of checks and drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding three days	\$45,115.73

Investments	\$2,746,765.67
Cash Variance	-\$100.85
Credit card outstanding	\$1711.10
Total	\$4,006,944.92

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

Fuel Quote

Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to approve the quote from SE Farmers elevator coop for #2 Diesel- 3600 gallons to Alcester shop and 3600 gallons to Elk Point shop. Motion carried.

January Reports

Clerk of Courts reported \$22,279.28 in fines and fees.

Register of Deeds' reported \$7,735 in transfer tax and \$6,963.80 in fees.

County Nurse \$44 in donations.

Federal Prisoner & INS room & board fees-\$935.

Census

Chairman Karpen discussed the importance of all individuals to provide the information requested regarding the census.

Liquor License Auction

States Attorney Miller explained the criteria (SDCL 35-2-1.2) to approve the business plans submitted by applicants for the auction in connection with Ordinance #UCC-2007-003. Motion by Jordan, second by Neely at accept applications submitted. Carried. Sean Brady was the lone bidder. Chairman declared the license sold to Sean Brady for \$25,000.

Opt out

Discussion took place on opt out.

Public Building

Discussion with States Attorney Miller took place regarding Honeywell contract.

Motion by Jordan, second by Neely to approve a service contract at \$24,873 for 2 years. Carried.

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to approve a contract to add digital controls at \$13,208. Carried.

Motion by Jordan, second by Neely to approve a contract to add on a gas-fired unit for \$8,800. Carried.

Abatement

Motion by Schempp, second by Ustad to approve abatement #2010-003 from Gary and Barbara Reese. DOE Kistner met with the board to explain that this application should be approved to receive owner occupied status. Abate: \$246.73- Elk Point Jefferson School. Carried.

Recovery Zone

Toby Morris, Northland Securities, met with the board to discuss recovery bonds and the concept of the pool being developed for entities statewide to apply for the bonds. Motion by Jordan, second by Neely to release the Recovery Zone bonds issued to Union County to the state and ask that one million dollars of the bonds be allocated to Harrisburg School District. Carried.

Public Hearing-Rezoning

The commissioners held a public hearing to discuss a request to change property from Agriculture to Commercial zoning from Albert Hines on a strip of land 150' wide by 591' long of the remaining C.H. Pike Outlot 1 in the SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 4-89-48 along Hwy. 105.

Discussion took place on the fact that there was no engineering report and the property was located in the Flood Way. Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to deny the rezoning application. Carried.

Travel Authorization

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to authorize Dennis Henze to attend a drainage meeting in Watertown on March 18, 2010. Carried.

Recess

Chairman declared a recess from 10:33 to 10:40.

States Attorney

SA Miller met with the board on various legal matters.

Executive Session

Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to enter executive session at 10:45 to discuss legal and personnel matters. Carried. Chairman Karpen declared the board out of executive session at 11:20 a.m.

Wellmark Renewal

Gary Welter, Wellmark, met with the board regarding the employee health insurance renewal plan outlining the changes and premiums. Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to accept renewal for the following three plans- USC/T9A, USF/T9A, USG/T9A with the average increase of 7% in premium. Carried.

Treasurer

Treasurer Hertel met with the board to discuss the proposal for county website administrator. Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to add \$120 a month to Treasurer Hertel's salary for website administrator effective March 1, 2010 with a review in 6 months. Carried.

Sheriff

Sheriff Limoges met with the board. Motion by Schempp, second by Ustad to declare the following vehicles surplus property: Blazer VIN #1GNNDT13X43K144108

and Crown Victoria VIN # 2FAFP71W34X146861. Carried. Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to surplus 5 Sony video recorders and donating 2 of those items to the Elk Point City police department. Carried.

Department Head Meeting

Commissioners Jordan and Ustad gave an update on the department head meeting held at 8:00 a.m. prior to board meeting. Next meeting will be held April 6 with Commissioners Ustad and Neely attending.

Claims

Motion by Jordan, second by Schempp to approve the claims as follows. Carried.

The following claims have been audited, approved and warrants drawn on the same: Bi-Weekly payroll for 3-12-2010: Highway \$18,818.23; Sheriff \$29,569.67; State's Attorney \$1,444.86; Public Building \$650.00; Nurse \$159.75; WIC \$228.98; Register of Deeds \$618.50. Alcester Union (Ad) \$313.65; Alliance Communication (Phones) \$539.12; Am San (Supplies) \$192.61; Boyer Trucks Sioux Falls (Supplies/Repairs) \$793.59; Butler Machinery (Repairs/Supplies) \$8,354.97; Chesterman (Water) \$126.50; City Of Alcester (Utilities) \$57.15; Community Health Clinic (Care) \$114.25; Concept Seating (Chairs) \$2,698.00; Country Estates Truck Repairs (Maint) \$648.32; Cuming County Sheriff (Return) \$38.14; Dakota Dunes North Sioux City Times (Ad) \$385.20; Dept Of Revenue (Renew License) \$4.00; Election Systems & Software (Maint) \$6,294.00; Fastenal Company (Supplies) \$50.61; Fed Ex (Postage) \$12.63; FEH Associates (Study) \$5,520.00; FSH Communications (Phones) \$120.00; Grant Writing USA (Registration) \$425.00; Great Plains Int'l (Supplies) \$73.27; Guarantee Oil (Supplies) \$218.64; Gubbrud, Haugland & Gilles (Ct Apt Atty) \$399.28; Heiman Fire Equipment (Repairs/Supplies) \$1,308.24; Holcomb Freightliner (Repairs) \$198.91; Hydraulic Sales (Repairs) \$14.17; Hydraulic World (Repairs) \$190.10; Industrial Tools & Machine (Supplies) \$185.20; Jacks Uniform & Equipment (Supplies) \$12.95; Janitor Depot (Supplies) \$310.70; Jefferson Fire Dept (Training Expense) \$1,599.39; Jones Food Center (Food For Jail) \$16.64; Knology (Utilities) \$167.39; Kone Inc (Maint) \$259.74; L G Everist (Supplies) \$50.20; Leader Courier (Ad) \$555.35; Limoges Service & Repairs (Repairs) \$1,713.31; Linweld (Supplies) \$94.52; Mathias E Stricherz (Service) \$733.75; McLeods (Supplies) \$109.02; Meridian Grain (Supplies) \$1,358.07; Michael McGill (MI Board) \$123.82; MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$1,234.48; Muller Auto Parts (Supplies) \$58.11; National 4-H Council Supplies (Supplies) \$14.85; Northern Truck Equipment (Repairs) \$100.72; Northland Products (Supplies) \$383.40; Nygren's True Value (Supplies) \$47.91; Office Depot (Supplies) \$206.54; Ollies Drive Inn (Meals For Jail) \$6,425.25; Pat Walsh (Culverts) \$853.33; Perkins Office (Supplies) \$194.14; Peterson, Stuart & Rumpca (Ct Apt Atty) \$3,747.40; Pete's Produce (Repairs/Supplies) \$67.25; Pioneer Drug (Drugs) \$1,649.55; Powerphone (Registration) \$129.00; Qwest (Phones) \$1,206.93; Qwest (Phones) \$2.89; RDJ Specialties (Supplies) \$551.40; Road Machinery & Supplies (Repairs) \$150.02; Salem Tractor Parts (Repairs) \$280.00; Sam's Club (Supplies) \$221.33; SDACC (Reg) \$100.00; SDACC (CCPR) \$8,495.00; SDML (Registration) \$65.00; Select Parts (Supplies) \$114.26; Sioux Falls Two-Way Radio (Maint) \$4,236.71; Sioux Laundry (Wash For Jail) \$412.65; South Dakota Asphalt Conf (Reg) \$100.00; Southeast Farmers Elevator (Repairs) \$388.41; Stan Houston Equipment

(Repairs) \$26.89; State Bank Of Alcester (Payment) \$3,931.78; Sturdevant's Auto Parts (Supplies/Repairs) \$992.14; Thomas L Price (Care) \$4,400.00; UPS (Postage) \$51.09; Verizon Wireless (Utilities) \$141.74; Western Office Plus (Supplies) \$13.58; William Curry (Postage) \$26.40; Juror's (Jury Duty) \$516.18.

County Burial

Motion by Neely, second by Jordan to approve the application #2010C-1 for payment of burial for a county resident. Motion carried.

Striping contract

Motion by Ustad, second by Schempp to sign an agreement with the State of South Dakota to provide for the striping of county roads within Union County and for their continuing maintenance. The state has allocated \$500,000 to a state-wide county highway striping project designated as project number P 000S (00)302 PCN 00QT referred to as "PROJECT". STATE funds to pay for 60% of PROJECT cost up to a maximum of \$500,000 with COUNTY funds to pay remainder of PROJECT costs. Union County will be included in the PROJECT for the striping of approximately 80.9 miles of County roads at an estimated cost of \$41,051.72. Carried.

Elected Official Starting Salary

Due to inquiries regarding elected position's salaries up for re-election this year, the board discussed what a starting salary would be for a newly elected person. Following discussion, it was determined that if a person were to be newly elected to Auditor or Register of Deeds, the starting salary would be \$37,063; if a person were to be newly elected to the Sheriff position the salary would be \$47,768.

Old business

Commissioner Jordan stated that there would be a meeting held March 18 in North Sioux City to discuss cell phone revenue.

Adjournment

Motion by Jordan, second by Ustad to adjourn at 12:03 p.m. Carried.

ATTEST: _____

Carol Klumper, Auditor
Union County

Doyle Karpen, Chairman
Union County Board of Commissioners