

The Roberts County Commissioners met at 9:00 am in regular session with Tom Vergeldt, Faye Johnston, Don Carlson, Tim Zempel, Brian Heinecke and Kristi Fritz present. Chairman Vergeldt presiding. Jason Deutsch-Sisseton Courier livestream.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Carlson to approve the agenda as presented and the January 24, 2023 minutes. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier discussed the current service contract with Westlaw Publications who provides online access to law books. He'd like to upgrade this service which would make for easier and faster research and etc. Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to upgrade the Westlaw Publication contract. All voted aye, motion carried.

DENNIS JENSEN

Dennis Jensen called in regarding the Sisseton Area Community Foundation purchasing an AED machine for the courthouse. Jensen also discussed the zoom meeting station and the purchasing of a new county car. These are the projects Jensen had been started before his term ended.

EQUALIZATION

Kim Schroeder met with the Commissioners to discuss the 2023 pay 2024 property valuations. At the January 17th meeting the Commissioners made a motion to allow the state to determine the factor for Roberts County however this would eliminate the taxpayers right to an appeal.

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Carlson to rescind motion made during the Jan. 17th meeting to have a factor to be determined by the state but rather to reach 85% median sales ratio by increasing assessment to comply with state statute and this would eliminate the factor. Taxpayers could then appeal the assessments that were applied to reach the 85% sales ratio median. All voted aye, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Carlson to convene into Executive Session at 9:50 am to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Motion carried. Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 10:20 am.

HIGHWAY

Stickland discussed payables and upcoming 2023 bids for asphalt and gravel. The Commissioners also discussed the weed department.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Tyler Appel met with the Commissioners and submitted prisoner count of 79. Appel also discussed staffing issues and a new time clock system. Appel will set up a meeting with ADT. Commissioners discussed the 2023 budgets.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Zempel to convene into Executive Session at 11:00 am to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Motion carried. Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 11:15 am.

OTHER

Jay Tasa met with the Commissioners to discuss the changes they are making to the wage scale.

LOCAL 49

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to authorize Chairman Vergeldt and Auditor Fritz to sign the 2023 Union contract. All voted aye, motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Heinecke to pay the following claims: COMMISSIONER-Publishing/Rosholt Review 343.24, Total 343.24; AUDITOR-Supplies & Mat/Xerox 39.29, Rental/Xerox 92.66. Repairs & Maint/Executive Mgmt 42.50, Total 174.45; TREASURER-Wages & Salary/AFLAC 22.10, Total 22.10; STATES ATTY-Supplies & Mat/Bridgeway Counseling 2500.00, Sanford Health 428.62, Total 2928.62; GOV BLDG-Utilities/CHS 545.53, Other/First Savings Bank 35.25, Supplies & Mat/MidAmerican Research Chem 352.36, Total 933.14; DIR OF EQUALIZATION-Supplies & Mat/Xerox 22.68, Rental/Xerox 89.92, Other/First District 23000.00, Total 23112.60; REG OF DEEDS-Supplies & Mat/Xerox 13.51, Rental/Xerox 86.79, Total 100.30; VETERAN SERV-Supplies & Mat/Xerox 3.65, Rental/Xerox 79.20, Total 82.85;

SHERIFF-Supplies & Mat/CHS 1598.04, Total 1598.04; JAIL-Care of Prisoner/Avera 38.80, Lakeside Pain Center 245.00, Xerox 97.29, Rental/Xerox 133.18, Total 514.27; EXTENSION-Rental/Century Bus 37.71, Supplies & Mat/Century Bus 73.21, Utilities/Otter Tail Pwr 298.34, Publishing/Rosholt Review 72.50, Total 481.76; FIRST PLANNING-Other/First District Assoc 20765.00, Total 20765.00; HWY & BRIDGE-Repairs/Auto Value 346.35, Equipment Blades 14522.31, Hortness Implement 25.56, Transource Equip 225.01, Twin Valley Tire 3052.10, Supplies & Mat/Auto Value 198.87, CHS 6835.55, RDO Equip 743.70, Xerox 63.20, Utilities/Dakota Waste 95.50, Prof Fee/SD Dept of Trans 5359.27, Rentals/Xerox 99.47, Total 31566.89; 911 TELE-Contract/First District Assoc 3500.00, Total 3500.00; EMERGENCY MGMT-Supplies/James Pearson 225.63, Total 225.63; LANDFILL-Supplies/Auto Value 184.30, CHS 3927.56, Twin Valley Tire 4.25, Utilities/BDM 41.00, Total 4157.11; DEL TAX PMT-13288.38. PAYROLL- 1/15/23-Road & Bridge 34124.99, Landfill 13085.31, Total 13085.31, Current Payroll-Commissioner 8465.39, Auditor 10796.90, Treasurer 12577.18, States Atty 16685.26, Gov Bldg 4865.55, Dir Equal 14879.22, Reg of Deeds 8885.24, Veteran Service 3739.60, Sheriff 58402.23, Jail 92332.92, Dispatch 43519.97, Juv Det 7940.86, Nurse 3246.11, WIC 3618.55, Weed 201.91, Planning & Zoning 2062.10, Road & Bridge 28624.35, 911 Telephone 10306.22, Emergency Mgmt 1172.31, 24/7 4263.03, Landfill 10306.40, Total 346891.30. TOTAL 497895.98

ADJOURN

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Carlson to adjourn until Tuesday, February 7, 2023. All voted aye, motion carried. Adjourned at 12:30 pm.