

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

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier-States Attorney informed the Commission Board that Commissioner Heinecke had been indicted with a felony charge and pursuant to SDCL 3-17-23 it mandates suspension of any commissioner charged with a felony pending completion of criminal prosecution. Motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to suspend Commissioner Heinecke from service until criminal proceedings have been resolved. Chairman Vergeldt called for roll call vote: Carlson-aye, Johnston-abstained, Zempel-aye and Chairman Vergeldt-aye. Three voted aye, one abstained. Motion carried.

MINUTES/AGENDA

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to approve the agenda and minutes the October 24, 2023 minutes as amended. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier discussed the States Attorney budget for 2024. He had sent an offer letter to Tessa Dalberg for the Deputy States Attorney position in Roberts County. Dalberg has accepted the position and she will begin in August of 2024. The budget for this position had been reduced during the process for 2024. Motion by Zempel, seconded by Johnston to supplement the States Attorney budget for \$31,250 plus benefits in 2024. All voted aye, motion carried.

SHERIFF

Tyler Appel-Sheriff sent a prisoner count of 70. Appel explained how the use of Hireclick will aid in finding employees for the county. Also, discussed his semi-weekly radio spots on B103 and 99.5 and the impact of the potential new tribal jail.

HIGHWAY

Pat Stickland discussed the progress on ditch mowing and the replacement of the boxed culvert on County Rd #26.

FUEL QUOTES

Fuel quotes were submitted as follows: CHS-Landfill #2 diesel 3.53 #1 Diesel 4.13 New Effington shop #2 diesel 3.53 #1 Diesel 4.13, Sisseton Shop Ethanol 2.85, Summit Shop #2 Diesel 3.53 #1 Diesel 4.13; VIG LUMBER-Landfill #2 diesel 3.47 #1 Diesel 3.79, New Effington shop #2 diesel 3.47 #1 Diesel 3.79, Summit shop #2 3.47 diesel #1 Diesel 3.79, Sisseton Shop Ethanol 2.99. Motion by Zempel, seconded by Carlson to accept low quotes of VIG GAS for Diesel #2 (Landfill, New Effington and Summit Shop) 3.47; VIG GAS for Diesel #1 (Landfill, New Effington and Summit Shop) 3.79; CHS for ethanol-Sisseton Shop 2.85. All voted aye, motion carried.

LANDFILL

Jamie Dahl-Landfill Mgr. discussed the accounts receivable as of Oct. 31, 2023, writing up a policy regarding haulers parking loads on county road when landfill is closed and the state inspection.

IOUE LOCAL 49

Jeff Smith-Union Steward and Nathan Brandt-Area Business Representative met with the Commissioners to the County's counterproposal for the 2024 union contract.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to convene into executive session at 11:06 am discuss litigation pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3). Chairman Vergeldt declared out of litigation at 11:36 am into personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Chairman Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 11:49 am

OTHER

Commissioners had received a request regarding the correct spelling of a Roberts County Creek from Jennifer Runyon-U.S. Board of Geographic Names on behalf of Daniel Monson, Claire City SD. Monson Creek began showing up on Federal maps since 1964 as Munson Creek. Earlier records at the county show it as Monson Creek therefore the Commission has no issue with it being changed back to Monson Creek.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to approve a temporary liquor license for LTR LLC on November 4 at the 4-H Community Center. All voted aye, motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Johnston to pay the following claims: COMMISSIONER-Supplies & Mat/Keloland 594.00, Total 594.00; STATES ATTY-Prof Serv/Bridgeway Counseling 2500.00, Total 2500.00; COURT APP ATTY-Prof Services/Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 2552.58, Green Roby Oviatt Cummings Law 5900.30, Total 8452.88; GOV BLDG-Repairs & Maint/Pies Fire Serv 215.85, Supplies & Mat/Twin Valley Tire 23.60, Other/First Savings Bank 42.95, Total 282.40; DIR OF EQUAL-Supplies & Mat/Great American Fin Serv 201.42, Marshall & Swift 1922.15, Office Peeps 321.53, Total 2445.10; JAIL-Care of Prisoner/Amazon 758.45, Creative Prod Source 414.75, Lewis Drug 2177.31, Pharmchem 992.00, Summit Food 4287.97, Total 8630.48; HWY & BRIDGE-Supplies & Mat/Aramark 43.24, Rory Ceroll 185.50, Newman Traffic Signs 164.20, Twin Valley Tire 54.03, Repairs/Auto Value 729.74, Interstate Pwr 64.71, Twin Valley Tire 2718.98, Utilities/Dakota Waste 95.50, Twin Valley Tire 730.00, Travel & Conf/Pat Stickland 238.00, Total 5023.90; EMERGENCY MGMT-Utilities/Konexus 1380.00, Total 1380.00; JAIL-Fiscal Agent/USB Operation Ctr 660.00, Total 660.00; LANDFILL-Supplies/Twin Valley Tire 198.00, Total 198.00; DEL TAX PMT-Payment 4772.20, JUDICIAL - Jury 472.40, Total 472.40; PAYROLL-Commissioner 5965.55, Auditor 5132.81, Treasurer 7707.29, States Atty 9865.10, Gov Bldg 2380.88, Dir of Equal 8250.81, Reg of Deeds 4521.86, Veteran Serv 1538.76, Sheriff 22114.76, Jail 41894.21, Dispatch 15907.38, Juv Det 2772.18, Nurse 2059.15, WIC 2115.43, Extension 2097.12, Planning & Zoning 2359.70, Road & Bridge 28956.48, 911 Tele 5991.48, 24/7 2773.98, Landfill 12395.03. TOTAL 222221.32. New Hire: Sam Lykins/Jail \$20.00, Katrina Lykins/Dispatch 17.01.

ADJOURN

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Carlson to adjourn until Tuesday, November 7, 2023. All voted aye. Motion carried. Adjourned at 11:51 am.