

Regular Meeting Minutes
Butte County Courthouse
Commission Meeting Room
839 5th Avenue
Belle Fourche, SD 57717
Phone: 605-892-4485

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

THE BOARD OF BUTTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONVENED AT 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 18, 2025. Commissioners present were Ager, Erk, Walton, Batterman, and Brunner.

Chair Ager called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Walton, Second by Erk to approve the meeting agenda with removal of 3.h.i, 3.h.ii, and 5a. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Chairman Ager called for a moment of prayer.

Motion by Erk Second by Brunner, to approve the Consent Agenda Items with no changes. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried. Discussion held regarding credit card late fees.

Consent Agenda - The following items were placed on the consent agenda for final action to be taken on all items by a single vote. Any item may be removed from the consent agenda by any member of the Commission for separate consideration.

- a. Approval of regular meeting minutes – 04Mar2025
- b. County Lien Report
- c. Bills per Printout
- d. Apportioning and Other payments
- e. Register of Deeds Report
- f. Travel Request
 - i. Welfare Official: Annie Capp to attend the 2025 SDACWO Spring Workshop in Pierre, SD from April 2nd-3rd, 2025.
 - ii. Auditor: Annie Capp to attend the 2025 SDACO New Officials Workshop in Pierre, SD from April 9th – 10th, 2025
- g. Abatements:
 - i. Parcel 15.31.01.11 abate \$1,618.85
 - ii. Parcel 08.2.16.4.11M abate \$337.60
- h. Planning:
 - i. Final: Owner: Scott & Sandie Porterfield; Tracts P-1, P-2 and P-3 being a Replat of Tracts J-1, J-3, 1X-A and 1X-D Located in the S2NE4 of Section 22, T8N, R2E, BHM, Formerly Dakota Addition, City of Belle Fourche, Butte County, South Dakota
- i. Highway
 - i. Hwy Dept – 2025 Replacement/Major Rehabilitation Bridge Improvement Grant – St# 10-458-321; Project # BRF 6410(00)25-2, PCN 0A71 – Grant Amount \$1,038,200.00
 - ii. Application for Occupancy on the Right of Way of County Highway – Heavy Constructors, Inc.; Bonato Road – Fiber to homes.
 - iii. Application for Occupancy on the Right of Way of County Highway – Heavy Constructors, Inc.; Robinson Road – Fiber to homes.
 - iv. Application for Occupancy on the Right of Way of County Highway – Heavy Constructors, Inc.; Stangerone Road – Fiber to homes.
 - v. Brosz Engineering, Inc. -- Work Order/Proposal for design & plans preparation for structure replacement St# 10-458-321 – Old Hwy 212 over Station Elm Creek.
 - vi. Agreement for Voluntary Right of Way Donation – Old Hwy 212 – St# 10-114-395 landowner – Faye Mutchler

Beginning at 6:11 PM opportunity for public comments was opened with Sue Broadhurst and Dale Simanton providing comments regarding signature requirements on plats, EID resolution 2024-20 and federal requirements for following local laws. Audrey Pruitt, incoming Butte County 4H Educator, introduced herself. Discussion was held regarding signature completion and planning board approval before submitting to commissioners for approval. Commissioner Brunner brought up a concern from a citizen regarding a junkyard – cleanup is ongoing.

Chief Deputy March provided a monthly activity report. Additional discussion included Helmer Road accident, signs in Nisland, and purchase, policy, and training for drones.

Auditor Capp provided an activity report focused on building activities.

Motion by Erk, Second by Brunner to authorize Commissioner Ager and Auditor Capp to sign MOU SDSU and Butte County. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Erk, Second by Batterman to accept the 2024 Butte County Rail Road Authority financial report. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Walton, Second by Batterman to authorize Commissioner Ager to sign the CY2025 Public Health Nursing Services Agreement. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Erk, Second by Brunner to approve Indigent Burial Request in the amount of \$2,000.00. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Auditor Capp presented a quote for an access control door at the Court Services office. Motion by Erk, Second by Walton to take no action on Court Services Electronic Access Control door. Quotes will be requested.

Discussion was held regarding scheduling of Butte County Board of Equalization for April 8th, 2025 to be held in the courtroom or commissioner room.

Committee Reports were given:

- Batterman – TIF meeting held, city approved, planning meeting will be 19Mar2025 4:00 PM
- Capp – Attended BHACCO meeting – discussion focused on legislation passed and summer studies.

Old/Unfinished/New Business:

- Water testing is done on sump pumps, additional tests will be done. The next step will be to test pressure. Shut off will have a fee.
- Inspections will be done by BH Inspections – old jail 03/19/2025.
- Look for elevator quotes/RFQ

Informational –

- Belle Fourche Chamber Director Mikayla Horn gave an activity report

Motion by Erk, Second by Brunner to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 P.M. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

PAYMENTS

SALARY

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE/PLANNING \$8,925.38, AUDITOR'S OFFICE \$17,021.44, BUILDING- \$0, COMMISSIONERS \$4,158.92, DISPATCH \$16,707.07, ELECTION- \$0, EM/911 \$989.72, EXTENSION \$1,936.80, HIGHWAY DEPT/WEED CONTROL \$28,262.79, JUDICIA- \$0,

NURSE'S/WIC OFFICE \$1,213.92, REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE \$4,794.20, SHERIFF/JAIL DEPT \$25,582.00, STATES ATTORNEY OFFICE \$12,417.23, TREASURER'S OFFICE \$10,585.04 VETERAN SERVICE OFFICE \$878.85

COUNTY SHARE FICA

BUTTE COUNTY SHARE \$9,919.36

SDRS RETIREMENT

BUTTE COUNTY SHARE \$7,623.05

GROUP INSURANCE

BUTTE COUNTY SHARE \$30,719.52

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

ARC SPEC \$4,051.24, AUTO PRS \$114.16, AXON ENT \$3,601.79, BROSZ ENG \$2,850.00, CAPFST EQUIP \$148,075.44, CONV \$10.00, CRNT CNSTRN \$1,331.10, CO DRUG \$190.99, DPT HLTH \$205.00, DBL STAR \$1,474.27, DRN NRDS \$8,384.00, ECO LAB \$697.17, FIRE PRO \$35.00, G&R CNTL \$283.67, HLS INT \$20,393.25, INLD TRK PRTS \$1,200.00, ISBRG FN CHPL \$2,000.00, JDOG \$600.00, J&K LAW PROF \$856.62, KRPL SLTN \$6,125.00, K DLHYD \$127.40, KN THMS CNSTRN \$2,784.60, KNY LAW \$5,950.63, KLN FN CHPL \$2,000.00, KONE \$536.44, L&S RSTN \$98.00, MAPS \$1,430.25, MBRSHPPWR \$1,428.00, NTL SHRF ASS \$250.00, NLSN LAW \$1,531.16, PRNT MKT \$2,822.61, QUL PRE SRVC \$9,478.36, RD WLLW CO \$25.00, R BCHMN \$60.00, RYL SPRY \$2,328.75, SCRAM \$600.00, SDACES \$15.00, SDAAO \$225.00, SD ASSN CO OFFCLS \$266.00, SD DPT LBR \$2,942.50, SD DPT REV \$500.00, SD DOT \$13,017.83, SD DVLPMT CNTR \$60.00, SD HMN SRVC CNTR \$600.00, SD PBLC ASRN \$2,065.80, SRVL \$702.35, Z PRDCTNS \$549.00

PUBLICATIONS

BH PIONR \$311.55

RENT/LEASE

BH PURE \$21.00, CNTRY BSNS \$342.40, CULGN BH \$170.39, TMSN RTRS W \$215.25

REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE

SMMT FIRE PRTCN \$1,050.80, NWL SRVC CNTR \$104.05, WST TIRE \$6,159.40, WHT STR \$85.20

SUPPLIES

A&J SUPP \$122.00, AUTO VLU \$4,211.25, BTT CO EQUIP \$603.20, HLLYRD \$429.53, MSTRCD \$3,278.61, MG OIL CMP \$223.85, NWL SRVC CNTR \$9.79, OFC EMP \$2,275.98, PR AUTO PRTS \$120.54, RNDY DISC TRS \$3,960.00, RNGS \$1,675.10, SD SCTRY OF ST \$30.00, STRG RSPDR SUPP \$263.85, VFW \$40.00, WRNG BF \$527.56

TRAVEL/CONFERENCE

UTILITIES

AT&T \$1,041.95, BH ENGRY \$3,163.53, BLUPK \$87.42, BUTTE ELTC \$843.87, BUTTE MEAD WTR \$55.00, CNTRYLNK (1) \$1,436.61 CNTRYLNK (2) \$92.86, CTY BF \$71.24, MCGS PRPN \$1,445.99, MDU \$2,184.27, TWN NSLND \$80.26

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

James Ager, Chairperson

ATTEST: Annie Capp, Butte County
Auditor