

Regular Meeting Minutes
Butte County Courthouse
Commission Meeting Room
839 5th Avenue, Belle Fourche, SD 57717

Tuesday, October 01, 2024

THE BOARD OF BUTTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONVENED AT 9:30 A.M. on October 01, 2024. Commissioners present were Ager, Herman, Walton, Erk, and Batterman

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

Chairman Ager called for a moment of silence/reflection

Motion by Walton, Second by Erk to approve the meeting agenda with no changes. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Herman, Second by Batterman to approve the Consent Agenda Items with no changes. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

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 – 17Sep2024
- b. Bills per Printout 17Sep2024 (minus bills 208195 and 208917)
- c. Bills per Printout 01Oct2024
- d. Apportioning and Other payments
- e. Auditor's monthly settlement with the Treasurer

**AUDITOR'S MONTHLY SETTLEMENT WITH TREASURER
BUTTE COUNTY
August 31, 2024**

CHECKING/SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Wells Fargo Checking	\$	-	
First Interstate Bank	\$	988,345.11	
Pioneer Bank and Trust	\$	51,021.71	
Total Checking/Savings Accounts			\$ 1,039,366.82

INVESTOR ACCOUNTS

Pioneer Bank and Trust	\$	443,788.31	
First Interstate Bank	\$	294,565.78	
Total Investor Accounts			\$ 738,354.09

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

First National Bank	\$	2,899,801.60	
First Interstate Bank	\$	1,856,810.52	
Pioneer Bank and Trust	\$	1,314,111.75	
Total Certificates of Deposit			\$ 6,070,723.87

Cash on Hand			\$ 1,745.00
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Total Cash Accounts			\$ 7,850,189.78
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Insufficient Fund Checks In-process			\$ 452.00
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Total General Ledger Balance			\$ 7,850,641.78
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- f. Travel Requests
 - i. States Attorney – Clara Kiley to attend training in Sioux Falls, SD September 27-28, 2024.
- g. Highway:
 - i. Application for Occupancy on the ROW of County Highways – Old Hwy 212 St# 10-537-255 – Right of Way Certificate & Utilities Certificate.
 - ii. Application to Construct an Approach or Driveway to a County Road – Randall Stark – Hwy 79 & Valley Township Rd.
 - iii. Application to Construct an Approach or Driveway to a County Road – Daniel Velder – Schmele Road
 - iv. Application to Construct an Approach or Driveway to a County Road – Daniel Velder – Schmele Road
 - v. Application to Construct an Approach or Driveway to a County Road – GKJ, LLC. – Owl Creek Road
 - vi. Application for Occupancy on the Right of Way of a County Highway – Gallatin Wireless/Heavy Constructors – Upper Redwater Road – Fiber Optics to homes.
 - vii. Application for Occupancy on the Right of Way of a County Highway – Gallatin Wireless/Heavy Constructors – Beulah Road – Fiber Optics to homes.
- h. Planning:
 - i. Final: Owner: Jerald & Patricia Habeck; Habeck Tract 3 Revised and Habeck Tract 4 Revised, Formerly Habeck Tract 3 and Habeck Tract 4, Located in the SE4NE4 Of Section 30, T8N, R2E, B.H.M., Butte County, South Dakota

Public Comments began at 9:38 AM with Sue Broadhurst speaking about expenses in 2023 and 2024 for flowers, food, water, cell phones, travel and conferences, outside counsel, and picnic table and John Dale speaking about wireless energy regarding Wi-Fi for audio video, his research on security, and his interest in serving on the Lawrence/Butte County Fair Board.

Katy Thompson provided an activity report including introduction, call numbers, and current staffing.

States Attorney LeEllen McCartney provided an activity report including open cases, number of inmates, and upcoming Grand Jury that are keeping the SA office busy. Mr. Barnaud is working part time and getting up to speed with systems and cases that are not in conflict.

Chief Deputy March presented information on computer to be surplus in Sheriff's Office. States Attorney McCartney suggested that there may be some statutory requirements to advertise item for bid.

Motion by Herman, Second by Erk to surplus computer from Sheriff's Department. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Auditor Capp provided an activity report including upcoming election activities, absentee voting stats, and attendance at SDACO Fall Convention.

Auditor Capp presented the quotes received for repairs at Administration building.

Motion by Erk, Second by Battermanto accept Ken Thomas construction bid received in the amount of \$25,988.58. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried. Ask Mr. Thomas and ABE for a quote to paint.

Auditor Capp provided Growth and Abatement reports submitted to DOR. As of 30Sep2024 these have not been approved by DOR. Once approved levies will be calculated.

SA McCartney and Auditor Capp presented revised Butte County Handbook to commissioners for review and approval. An overview of changes was given, and discussion was held regarding a designated media spokesperson. The revised handbook will be brought back for approval 15Oct perhaps by Resolution.

Annual JJRI distribution will be \$29,250. Discussion was held regarding where to use funds, the different programs considered to be diversion programs and success of programs in Butte County.

A recess was taken at 10:45 AM. Meeting called back in session at 10:50 AM.

Committee Reports included

- Walton and Ager- Ambulance meeting – directors are doing a great job and need more help. Discussion was held regarding issues with water and mold in the building.
- Erk and Batterman– Building Committee meeting - focus on getting assessment of old jail, quote on elevator at Admin building, remodel of basement, and potential of new building.
- Herman – attended the SDACC convention. Presentations of interest included situational awareness, road classification, and mineral property rights.

Old Business –

- Capp –information on Fire Reversion and Grant moneys to be distributed in October.
- Discussion was held regarding appointment of planning commission opening. Planning Chair Lewis and Chief Deputy Jason March will also be on interview panel. Discussion was also held regarding whether the sitting commission or the future commission should make the appointment. Consensus was the interview panel will bring a recommendation. Commissioners will take recommendation and existing commission members will appoint.
- Auditor Capp gave an update on the HVAC upgrade.

Informational –

- Herman – five year building comprehensive study is out of the scope of BHCLG but there are grants available. Herman will ask about media training.
- Herman discussed the travel and conference expenses. Trainings are considered continuing education and are useful.
- Capp - Educated Voter Night to be held 07Oct2024 in the Newell School, Austin Auditorium
- Chief Deputy March gave an update on two grants - Homeland Security for radios and ABC Grant.
- Discussion held regarding Alert Sirens currently not working.
- Walton mentioned he plans to resign end of 2024.

Motion by Batterman, Second by Erk to adjourn the meeting at 11:59 AM. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Payments

SALARY

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE/PLANNING \$7,901.48, AUDITOR'S OFFICE \$8,734.40, BUILDING \$4,083.72, COMMISSIONERS \$4,158.92, DISPATCH \$15,616.27, ELECTION \$2,294.61, EM/911 \$940.58, EXTENSION \$1,881.60, HIGHWAY DEPT/WEED CONTROL \$27,981.46, JUDICIAL \$1,670.99, NURSE'S/WIC OFFICE \$1,180.80, REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE

\$4,658.22, SHERIFF/JAIL DEPT \$23,174.25, STATES ATTORNEY OFFICE \$14,249.99, TREASURER'S OFFICE \$10,175.80, VETERAN SERVICE OFFICE \$853.25.

COUNTY SHARE FICA

BUTTE COUNTY SHARE \$9,581.64

SDRS RETIREMENT

BUTTE COUNTY SHARE \$7,488.38

GROUP INSURANCE

BUTTE COUNTY SHARE \$37,594.30

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

605 THRPY \$2,800, AZ SHRD \$90.60, BRND LAW \$\$6,26.00, BMS \$400.00, C HARKINS \$271.90, CNTRY BSNS \$1,120.47, CHLD HOME \$750.00, CTY RC \$520.00, CO. DRUG \$413.21, D FWLR \$525.00, D MCDNL \$20.00, DOH \$405.00, DBL STAR \$5,788.47, ES&S \$1,632.48, HLPT HALE \$792.91, K SMNK \$20.00, KNY LAW \$4,771.94, L TLSH \$297.50, MD CO \$26,220.00, MID DKTA \$10,893.75, MNMT HLTH \$3,386.70, NTNL MDCL \$700.00, NLSN LAW \$1,925.03, OFFC EMP \$344.64, PENN CO \$316.68, PTNY BWS \$801.42, RDLGY ASSOC \$36.20, RWD TOX \$37.30, R BCHMN \$77.29, SCRAM \$27.90, THMS RTS \$354.26, TYLR TECH \$449.00, WSTRN JUV \$17,100.00, Z PDCN \$549

PUBLICATIONS

RENT/LEASE

DKTA EQUPT \$1,501.00, RELX INC \$332.00

REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE

HRSDS \$107.74, OCNR CPNY \$26,518.50, RUSH COMN \$292.50,

SUPPLIES

AUTO VAL BF \$12.20, CBH \$4,515.29, MG OIL \$8,765.60, ORLS \$104.52, PHSNT IND \$97.99, RNDY TIRES \$159.00, RNUP BLD \$18.99, SDDOT \$171.03, STKRS \$435.00, TTN MCHN \$404.00

TRAVEL/CONFERENCE

BF LDRSHP \$695.00, SD CEO \$300.00, SDACO \$250.00

UTILITIES

BH ENGY \$116.73, BLPK \$345.57, CTY BF \$475.95, MTRLA \$299.00, SDPBLC SFTY \$3,090, TWN NISL \$151.52

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

James Ager, Chairperson

ATTEST: Annie Capp, Butte County
Auditor