

BROOKINGS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022

The Brookings County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 with the following members present: Angie Boersma, Ryan Krogman, Lee Ann Pierce, Michael Bartley and Larry Jensen.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Boersma called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CITIZEN INVITATION

Brookings County resident Jeff Struwe thanked the board for continuing to say the Pledge of Allegiance at the start of each meeting.

Struwe said there is an event going on Saturday, August 20th and Sunday, August 21st to talk about elections. He said information can be found at momentoftruthsummit.com.

Pierce said this is her 8th year on the Brookings County Commission, and that whole time she has been very interested in the election process and have watched it carefully. Pierce said for our citizens in Brookings County, we do not have any election fraud going on in Brookings County.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Jensen to approve the agenda for the August 16, 2022, Commission Meeting. All members voted "aye." Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Boersma to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Pierce "aye," Bartley "aye," Krogman "aye," Jensen "aye," Boersma "aye." Motion carried.

The consent agenda consisted of the minutes from the August 2, 2022, Commission Meeting.

Travel Requests: Dan Nelson to attend Lake County Court on July 6th and July 20th in Madison; Courtney Steffen to attend the SD Department of Veterans Affairs annual County VSO School on August 15th - 17th in Pierre; Courtney Steffen to attend American Legion National Convention on August 25th - September 1st in Milwaukee, WI; Mandi Cramer & Ben Kleinjan to attend the 2022 Domestic Abuse Institute on September 8th in Sioux Falls; Dustin Huber to participate in the High Performance Leadership Academy on September 12th - December 16th online; Jenna Byrd, Angie Maher, Kim Laabs & Maggie Harkness to attend the WILL Luncheon on September 14th in Brookings; Marci Gebers to attend the 2022 Justice & Behavioral Health Conference on September 28th - 30th in La Vista, NE.

Personnel Action Notices: annual review- John Austin to \$23.97, effective August 1, 2022; annual review- Lynn Cramer to \$28.65, effective August 1, 2022; annual review- Jay Wulf to \$21.26, effective August 1, 2022; new hire- Equalization Administrative Assistant Sarah Weese at \$19.05, effective August 8, 2022; position change- FT Correctional Officer Anna Brutty at \$20.43, effective August 13, 2022; new hire- PT Correctional Officer Ally Pink at \$20.43, effective August 13, 2022; annual review- Becky Biteler to \$18.12, effective September 1, 2022.

Human Services Report: case #22-168 for funeral was approved; case #22-173 for emergency was approved; case #22-170 for rent was denied; case #22-171 for rent was approved; case #22-172 for rent was denied.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Approval of Claims

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Bartley to approve the following claims. Roll call vote: Bartley "aye," Krogman "aye," Jensen "aye," Pierce "aye," Boersma "aye." Motion carried.

A&B Business Inc, Copier Contract, \$348.44; Agritech Brookings, Wood Shavings, \$142.50; Allegra Print & Imaging, 2x6 Banner, \$72.00; Amazon Capital Services, Deputy Supplies, \$81.23; Aragon, Antonio, Translation Services, \$112.50; Aragon, Martha A, Translation Services, \$125.00; Arlington Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$2,811.47; Astoria Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$629.20; AT&T Mobility, Nighthawk Mifi Mobile Wifi, \$40.04; Aurora Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$8,227.84; Badger Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$602.26; Banner Associates, Professional Services, \$4,035.50; Bauman Electric Inc, Bruce Shop Diesel, \$199.00; Beacon Hill Rifle & Pistol, 3 Range Shoot, \$240.00; Best Western Of Huron, Lodging For State Horse Show, \$77.00; Bierschbach Equipment, Rubber Seal/Air Filter, \$350.80; Boarman Kroos Vogel Group, Det Center Exp Prof Services, \$2,130.00; Lisa Brandt, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$79.40; Bremmon, Carmen, Translator Fees, \$475.00; Brookings City Utilities, Water/Sewer/Elec/Telephone, Phone Service, CH/Lawn Irrigation/1921 Bldg, BCOAC Water For Truck Shed, Monthly Utilities, \$16,280.76; Brookings Engraving, Jail Sign/Deputy Supplies, \$296.00; Brookings Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$101,110.93; Brookings Gun Club, 3-Range Shoot, \$240.00; Brookings Health System, July Blood Alcohol Testing, \$12,320.00; Brookings Inn, Emergency Shelter, \$103.98; Brookings Powersports, ATV Repair, \$404.93; Brookings Register, Publications, \$1,046.13; Bruce Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$4,385.92; Buhls Of Brookings Cleaning, 3 Rugs, Rug Rental, Jail Supplies, \$206.50; Capital One, Office Supplies, Office Supplies/Mechanic Office, \$519.09; Carquest Auto Parts Store, Luverne Trk, Bus-Bar, Tools, Break Away Switch For Trailer, \$803.82; Century Business Products, Copier Contract, \$615.93; CHS, Diesel, \$11,346.29; Cintas Corporation, Uniforms, \$232.62; City Of Brookings Landfill, Trees/Tires, \$346.42; City Of Brookings, 20th St Interchange Project, Animal Control Fees, \$594.77; City Of White, Water/Sewer/Electric, \$84.08; Cook's Wastepaper & Rec, Brookings/White, August SingleStreamService, Courthouse/BCOAC Service, Garbage/Waste Utilities, \$645.54; Courtesy Plumbing Inc, CH 3rd Floor Womens Bathroom, \$337.37; Dakota Data Shred, Paper Shredding Services, \$51.09; Mary Deleeuw, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$64.70; Department Of Health, Blood Tests, \$80.00; DJ Properties LLC, COP Rent, \$900.00; Jim Effling, Honorarium- Rabbit Show Judge, \$154.40; Eidsness Funeral Home, COP Burial, \$3,000.00; Einspahr Auto Plaza, Patrol Vehicle Maint/Repairs, \$55.81; Elkton Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$7,457.08; Estelline Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$2,392.59; Fastenal Company, Filters For Courthouse, \$67.47; Feldhaus, Maria, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$101.24; First Bank & Trust, Jail Fuel And Deputy Supplies, \$93.63; Wayne Fischer, Honorarium-

Poultry Show Judge, \$175.20; Flint Hills Resources, Oil For Fog Sealing, \$102,627.66; Foerster Distributing, Items For Gov Center/Courthouse, Jail Janitorial Supplies, Gradation At Everist Pea Rock, \$566.50; Jennifer Goldammer, Court Appointed Attorney, \$1,378.60; Hendricks Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$1,897.01; Henry Carlson Company, Jail Expansion & Remodel Proj, \$171,413.00; Tessa Herman, Honorarium-Swine/Meat Goat Judge, \$300.00; Hill, Robert, Naco Conference/Flight/Taxi, \$2,643.00; Hometown Service & Tire, Vehicle Repairs, \$300.00; Hungerford Chiropractic, Instant Drug Testing, \$30.00; I State Truck Center, Vent Assembly Window, \$420.32; IAEM, Membership Dues, \$199.00; Info Cubic LLC, Employment Screenings, \$290.00; Innovative Office Solution, US Flags For Gov Center, \$214.96; Interstate Battery System, 4D-XHD, \$379.90; Interstate Telecom. Coop, Extension Phones, \$397.18; Joshua Johnson, Honorarium-Poultry Showmanship, \$90.12; Kennedy Pier Knoff Loft, CAA Inv MI Hearing, \$151.50; Kibble Equipment LLC, Filters, \$313.79; Kingbrook Rural Water, Sinai Water, \$36.00; Caden Krogman, Honorarium- Night Watchman, \$150.00; L&L Auto & Truck Parts, Hub Cap, Tools, Test Kit, Patrol Vehicle Maint/Repairs, \$254.17; Dayton Landmark, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$67.64; Val Larson, Inv MI Hearing, \$15.00; Lewis & Clark Behavioral, Bmi Intake, \$184.00; Lincoln County Auditor, Mental Illness Expenses, \$1,121.46; Lyle Signs Inc, Firemarkesr/Stop/Slow Paddles, \$245.10; Brayton Mack, Honorarium-Achievement Days Night, \$150.00; Martin Oil Company, Mobil Oil, \$94.00; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc, Lease, Hose For Plasma Cutter, \$736.45; Mediacom LLC, Aug Law Library Int Service, \$155.32; Bailey Merry, Honorarium- Companion Animal, \$118.68; Minnehaha County JDC, JDC Costs, \$1,542.00; Martha Moening, Honorarium-Sheep/Beef Show Judge, \$300.00; Garrett Moore, Honorarium-Dairy Show Judge, \$198.72; Sandra Namken, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$85.28; Dan C Nelson, Lake County Court, \$67.20; Nancy J Nelson, Court Appointed Attorney, \$914.05; Teree A Nesvold, Court Appointed Attorney, \$1,548.40; North American Banking, Postage Machine Rental, \$360.00; Northwestern Energy, Natural Gas Usage, Heat For Truck Shed, Truck/Highway Shop, \$112.96; Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc, Rodeo, \$1,458.00; Office Peeps Inc, Mailing Labels, Paper, Pens, Desk Calendar/Paper/Paper Clip, Pencils, Command Strips, Clip, Binder, Ring Binder, Copy Paper/Footrest, Deputy Supplies, \$610.08; One Office Solution, Front Office Supplies, \$235.37; PCS Mobile, Tablet, \$803.51; Prochem Dynamics LLC, Jail Janitorial Supplies, \$1,664.29; South Dakota Public Health, July Blood Tests, \$2,740.00; Qualified Presort Service, Mail Pick Up, \$36.08; Pam Raeder, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$98.72; RC First Aid, Jail First Aid Supplies, \$19.50; RDO Equipment Co, Hose/Sensor, \$1,294.42; RFD Newspapers Inc, Publications, \$2,936.55; Brad Ruden, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$60.08; Running's Supply Inc, Spray And Bolts, Deputy Supplies/K9 Food, Shop/Bruce Fuel Tank, \$617.94; Satellite Tracking Of People, GPS Monitoring, \$601.25; Rochelle Schmidt, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$102.92; SD Dept Of Transportation, Professional Services, \$86,280.22; SD Newspaper Service, Job Listings, \$837.80; SDACC, Registration For SDACC/SDACO, \$2,340.00; SDACO, ROD Modernization&Preservation, \$870.00; Sinai Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$2,579.34; Sioux Falls Kenworth Inc, Air Dryer, \$813.13; Sioux Valley Energy, Electric, \$191.00; Ida Slocum, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$55.88; Kay Solberg, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$50.00; Southpaw Defense, Enhanced Concealed Carry, \$450.00; Streicher's, Uniform Apparel, \$199.99; Sturdevant's Auto Parts, Parts, Mountin Bracket/Paint/Fuse, \$85.62; Sundem, Deb, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$50.00; Tangen, Laurie, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$60.92; Dawn Taylor, Honorarium- Rabbit Showmanship, \$85.92; Teesdale Law Office PLLC, Court Appointed Attorney, \$656.50; Thomson Reuters - West, West Information Charges, July Billing Period, August Charges, \$2,445.11; Toronto Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$1,300.32; Town & Country Shopper, Ads For 3-Range Shoot, Property Tax/Attention Voters, Achievement Days, \$1,255.00; Transource, Temp Sensor/Plane Gasket/Fan, \$1,726.22; Trinity Services Group, LLC,

Inmate Meal Services, \$6,967.60; Two Way Solutions Inc, Aurora Repeater, \$24,611.66; UPS Store, Passes, \$54.99; Alicia Vanderwal, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$55.04; Gina Vanderwal, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$54.20; Michelle Vanderwal, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$55.04; Volga Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$12,676.33; Walburg, Duane, Animal Control Mileage, \$142.38; White Fire Dept, Fire Premium Refund, \$10,676.30; WW Tire Service Inc, Tires, \$1,557.32; Yankton County Treasurer, Mental Illness Charges, \$127.50; Kara Zaug, Honorarium-Display Exhibit Judge, \$50.00; Brian Zielinski, Court Appointed Attorney, \$799.76.

Department Head Reports

County Development Director Robert Hill said he and County Development Deputy Director Richard Haugen participated in the quarterly SDOEM communications drill.

Hill said the Aurora repeater was installed and the claim has been paid. Hill said Haugen responded to two calls for Emergency Management assistance. He said one was a herbicide release and the other one was a suspected gas leak, which turned out to be sewer gas.

Hill discussed upcoming dates.

Finance Officer Lori Shultz said Senior Finance Assistant Jenna Byrd attended an Election Workshop, which was very informative. She said 25 new auditors were there from across the state of South Dakota.

Sheriff Martin Stanwick said there are 40 inmates in jail and 93 individuals participating in the 24/7 program. Stanwick said he has two pre-trial inmates who have been in jail for over 365 days.

Commissioner Jensen said Weed & Pest Supervisor Misty Moser is not at the meeting because they are starting the fall spray run.

Finance Officer's Report

The Finance Officer's Report for the month of July 2022 was presented to the board.

July 2022

Total amount of deposits in bank.....	\$33,198,299.81
Total amount of actual cash: Currency.....	\$5,958.00
Coins.....	\$2.08
Total amount of checks/drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding 3 days.....	\$68,816.47
Itemized list of all other items.....	\$40,496.35
TOTAL.....	\$33,313,572.71

Commissioner/HR/Veterans: \$38,051.33; Finance Office: \$32,000.44; States Attorney/Welfare: \$47,623.35; Equalization: \$24,611.53; Register of Deeds: \$14,300.85; Sheriff's Office: \$200,618.98; Coroner: \$719.86; Community Health: \$2,584.21; Extension: \$3,157.26; Weed: \$8,029.90; Planning/Zoning: \$9,360.11; Highway: \$83,305.97; Emergency Management: \$6,514.24; BCOAC: \$10,843.74; Technology: \$14,524.10.

AFLAC: \$3,511.64; Avesis: \$1,620.53; Office of Child Support: \$399.00; Delta Dental: \$7,312.78; Flex One: \$1,655.00; Principal Life Insurance: \$1,679.16; Local Teamsters: \$1,335.00;

SDRS: \$60,232.56; SDRS Supplemental: \$4,705.00; EFTPS: \$109,453.41; Wellmark: \$112,234.88; AFLAC Group/CAIC Primary: \$215.54.

Be it noted, the expenditure adjustments for the month of July 2022 were presented to the board. \$10,853.65 was transferred to allocate highway department expenditures to other county departments for work performed and supplies furnished by the highway department.

Be it noted, the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees collected for the month of July 2022 in the amount of \$47,769.00 was presented to the County Commission.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Commissioner Pierce recused herself from the vote.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Bartley to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-33: a plat of Lot 1 of Suhr Addition in the SW ¼ of Section 4, T109N, R48W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota. Background information as provided by County Development Director Robert Hill.

Roll call vote: Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Commissioner Pierced recused herself from the vote.

Motion by Bartley seconded by Krogman to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-34: a plat of Lot 1 of Suhr Addition in the SE ¼ of Section 5, T109N, R48W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Krogman “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Bartley to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-35: a plat of Tract 1 of Langland’s Addition in the NW ¼ of Section 32, T111N, R52W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Krogman to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-36: a plat of Lot 47A of the First Addition of Lake Poinsett Heights Subdivision in Lot 2, Section 5, T112N, R52A of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Bartley to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-37: a plat of Blocks 1, 2, 3 & 4, Langum Addition in the SW ¼ and W ½ of the SE ¼ of Section 18, T109N, R51W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Jensen to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-38: a plat of Block 1, Jensen Second Addition in the NW ¼ of Section 9, T109N, R48W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Krogman to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-39: a plat of Block 1, Inger Addition in the NW ¼ of Section 7, T112N, R47W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Jensen to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-40: a plat of Lots 1B and 1C of Goodfellow Addition in the N ½ of the NE ¼ of Section 18, T111N, R51W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Krogman to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-41: a plat of Tract 1 of BMU WTP Addition in the NW ¼ and the SW ¼ of Section 20, T110N, R49W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Commissioner Pierce recused herself from the vote.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Krogman to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-42: a plat of Lot 1 of Smallfield Addition in the NE ¼ of Section 7, T109N, R47W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Krogman “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Jensen to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #22-43: a plat of Lots 1 and 2 of Cooper Addition in Government Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Section 6, T110N, R50W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “abstain,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Pierce, seconded by Jensen to approve for recording purposes and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Resolution #44: a plat of Lot 1 of Risty Farms Addition in Government Lot 3 and the S ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 4, T109N, R52W of the 5th P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

Roll call vote: Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Boersma “aye.” Motion carried.

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Jensen to approve and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Agreement #22-79: an amended custodial contract for the Brookings City & County

Government Center. Background information was provided by Commission Department Director Stacy Steffensen.

Roll call vote: Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Boersma “aye.”
Motion carried.

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Bartley to approve and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign Agreement #22-80: a Memorandum of Understanding between Brookings County and Helpline Center Network of Care. Background information was provided by States Attorney Dan Nelson.

Roll call vote: Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Boersma “aye.”
Motion carried.

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Jensen to approve Change Order #015 for the Brookings County Detention Center Expansion and Remodel project in the amount of \$62,053.00. Background information was provided by Commission Department Director Stacy Steffensen.

Roll call vote: Krogman “aye,” Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Boersma “aye.”
Motion carried.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Krogman to approve and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign a request to fill vacancy for a full-time Correctional Officer in the Sheriff’s Office.

All members voted “aye.” Motion carried.

SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEM

As scheduled at 9:00 a.m., the board held a public hearing and action on a Special Events License for Andrea Diedrich/Jay Street Pub wedding at Bennett Barn on August 27, 2022.

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Jensen to approve and authorize Chairperson Boersma to sign a Special Events License for Andrea Diedrich/Jay Street Pub wedding at Bennett Barn on August 27, 2022.

Chairperson Boersma opened the public hearing and called for proponents. Jay Street Pub owner Andrea Diedrich said they are bartending for a wedding at the Bennett barn on August 27, 2022.

Chairperson Boersma called for opponents. Hearing none, Chairperson Boersma closed the public hearing.

Roll call vote: Pierce “aye,” Bartley “aye,” Jensen “aye,” Krogman “aye,” Boersma “aye.”
Motion carried.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Jensen to declare #14-061-Dell computer (DKFYN22), #16-013-Dell computer (35V0V52), #17-0023-Dell computer (1Y69JG2), #14-040-Dell computer (HVZQN02), #17-003-HP computer (2UA529365G), #14-013-Dell computer (89TSL02), Dell computer (16D7LS1), #14-014-Dell computer (JGSVH02), #14-019-Dell computer (JGRVH02), Dell computer (9NRWQ61), Dell computer (G2N5CW1), Panasonic (CF-29CTPGZKM22179), Dell computer (1LZ9TJ1), #11-005-Dell computer (5D7BCP), netgear VPN firewall (001F338E0A67), netgear switch (2232025501249), netgear switch (IC04825M00B68), HP InkJet 8610, 2- HP LaserJet 2055, HP LaserJet 4001, dell docking station, 4-boxes of miscellaneous cords, #79005- Optiplex SX270, #79021- 19” monitor, #79022- 19” monitor, 8 monitors and 3 lead acid batteries as surplus property to dispose of. Background information was provided by Senior Finance Assistant Jenna Byrd.

All members voted “aye.” Motion carried.

SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEM

As scheduled at 9:05 a.m., Dave Jacobson with the Brookings County Firefighters Association, representing the seven fire departments in Brookings County: Aurora, Brookings, Bruce, Elkton, Sinai, Volga and White, thanked the board for the chance to request funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Jacobson said all the fire departments got together and summarized a list of items needed for their departments. Boersma said these one-time funds make a lot of sense for these types of requests in a lot of ways.

Pierce said \$2.2 million dollars is a lot of money. She said in the event of the county not being able to fund the entire \$2.2 million dollars, would some of the departments who only requested one item that cost \$400,00 be able to partially fund it. Pierce said the ARPA funds must be spent by 2026. Jacobson said they could get creative if they had to.

Jensen said any money the county puts forward to these departments will be used for the one-time purchases and they will be able to fund other items with their yearly funding. Jensen said these guys are volunteers and working with budgets that are quite restrictive. Jensen said we need these guys and he supports them one-hundred percent. Bartley said it's a big deal to him to get the fire departments the appropriate equipment needed.

Boersma said the funds need to be appropriated by December of 2024 and expended by December of 2026. Boersma said an ARPA discussion will be held August 30th. She said the board may be able to allocate at least half of the funds by September 2022.

Sheriff Marty Stanwick said there is more demand. He said they are not just fighting fires.

SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEM

As scheduled at 9:30 a.m., Jeff, Schaefer, Legislative Audit presented the FY2020 audit review.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Commission Department Director Stacy Steffensen said she met with Highway Superintendent Brian Gustad and Commissioners Jensen and Krogman to discuss the Rural Access Infrastructure program and looked at what that means for the townships. Steffensen said the biggest thing right now is that in order to qualify for these funds, the townships have to submit their 5-year plan to the county by the end of August. Steffensen said the townships also have to impose an annual property tax levy of \$.50 per \$1,000 or have an opt-out on the books. Steffensen said her biggest concern is getting this information out to the townships.

Steffensen said the Rural Access Infrastructure program requires an 80/20 split and projects cannot be on minimum or no maintenance roads. Steffensen said culvert also have to be 16 square feet or larger. Steffensen said with the county's culvert program, it's a 50/50 split and the culvert can be any size.

Steffensen said two requests came in from Oakwood Township and Eureka Township. She said there was some discussion on talking with these townships to see if they wanted to take advantage of the Rural Access Infrastructure dollars instead of applying for the county's culvert program.

The board is going to recommend to Oakwood Township and Eureka Township to wait and apply for the Rural Access Infrastructure dollars by getting their 5-year plan into the county as soon as possible.

Commissioner Boersma shared a website that shows information on the draft FEMA floodplain map. She said this map shows you the before and after of the draft FEMA floodplain map.

Commission Department Director Stacy Steffensen presented the Commission Department Director's Report. Steffensen said the Veterans Service Officer had 61 appointments/cases, scheduled 23 DAV van rides and participated in two outreach events.

Steffensen discussed upcoming dates.

States Attorney Dan Nelson had nothing to report.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS & DISCUSSION

Commissioner Pierce met with the SDACC Resolutions Committee to talk about the unemployment statute modification; attended the Public Affairs Committee Meeting; attended the 4-H BBQ; attended the Conservation Tour; attended the Leaders Round Table; attended the Joint Powers Board Meeting; attended the 10-County Meeting; and attended the ICAP Board Meeting.

Pierce said during the Joint Powers Board Meeting, there was discussion on the diagonal parking stalls located on the north side of the government center building. She said a lot of drivers heading west make illegal turns to park in those stalls.

Commissioner Bartley attended the Planning & Zoning Meeting and attended the 10-County Meeting.

Commissioner Jensen attended National Night Out; attended the 4-H BBQ; attended Pickle Days in Aurora; attended the Conservation District Tour; attended the 10-County Meeting; met with Highway Superintendent Brian Gustad, Commission Department Director Stacy Steffensen and Commissioner Krogman and discussed the culvert requests; and attended the CDI Golf Outing.

Commissioner Krogman attended the 4-H BBQ; attended the Conservation District Tour; attended the 10-County Meeting; met with Gustad, Steffensen and Commissioner Jensen and discussed the culvert requests; and attended the CDI Golf Outing.

Commissioner Boersma attended the 4-H BBQ; attended the Conservation District Tour; and attended the Joint Powers Board Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Krogman, seconded by Jensen to enter into Executive Session at 11:08 a.m., in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2(1)(6), personnel and security. All members voted "aye." Motion carried.

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Pierce to come out of Executive Session at 12:02 p.m. All members voted "aye." Motion carried. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bartley, seconded by Pierce to adjourn. All members voted “aye.” Motion carried. The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

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