

Gregory County Commission Proceedings

The regular meeting of the Gregory County Commission was held Tuesday, April 6, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in Burke with the following members present: Jeff Johnson, Myron Johnson, Jessy Biggins, and Lance Matucha. Members absent: Bob Hausmann. Also present: Julie Bartling, Gregory County Auditor and Patty Connealy, Gregory Times Advocate.

Chair Jeff Johnson opened the meeting with reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Lance Matucha to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Jessy Biggins to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2021 meeting as read. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Conflicts of Interest: The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest from members present. None were notated.

Ex-Parte Communications: The Chair inquired if there have been any ex-parte communications by any member present. None were notated.

Public Input: The Commission opened the floor for public input. No one appeared at the meeting.

Darwin Grim, Deputy Sheriff, advised the commission that a property dispute is arising between Jensen Family Trust and Martin Lawler regarding the approved campground site and access to the campground. The Planning and Zoning Administrator has also been made aware of the matter.

Approval of Claims: Motion by Jessy Biggins second by Lance Matucha to approve the following claims:

I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of this County as of February, 2021.

Total Amount of Actual Cash.....	\$	525.00
Checking Account.....	\$	3,203,277.63
Insufficient Fund Checks.....	\$	0.00
Cash Over.....	\$	681.83
TOTAL.....	\$	3,204,484.46

Julie Bartling, Gregory County Auditor
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State of South Dakota)

Statement of fees collected in the Sheriff's Office for the month ending March 31, 2021 in the amount of \$835.00.

March Payroll

March 2021

Wellmark-\$16,172.54	SDRS-\$12,288.40
AFLAC-\$800.01	First National Bank-\$26.70
SDSRP-\$100.00	Office of Child Support-\$1,015.00
AAA Collections -\$209.87	1st Fidelity Bank-\$23,404.74
GIS Benefits-\$3,119.42	Commissioners-\$3,220.02
Auditor-\$6,979.85	Treasurer-\$7,655.83
States Attorney-\$7,377.25	Courthouse\$3,398.50
DOE-\$6,698.28	ROD-\$6,553.54
VA-\$700.00	Sheriff-\$20,559.68
Solid Waste-\$2,256.31	Nurse-\$3,024.03
4-H/Youth-\$3,025.22	Weed-\$384.05
Planning/Zoning-\$658.92	Road/Bridge-\$49,009.86
EM&D-\$1,623.83	24/7 Sobriety Testing-\$329.63

Andes Central School District	February 2021 Apportionment	1887.32
Burke School District #26-2	February 2021 Apportionment	55124.91
Gregory School District #26-4	February 2021 Apportionment	130062.99
South Central School #26-5	February 2021 Apportionment	34840.04

Dixon Township	February 2021 Apportionment	8245.57
Edens Township	February 2021 Apportionment	5105.76
Fairfax Civil Township	February 2021 Apportionment	2623.34
Jones Township	February 2021 Apportionment	3722.92
Landing Creek Township	February 2021 Apportionment	2534.60
Pleasant Valley Township	February 2021 Apportionment	3705.82
Schriever Township	February 2021 Apportionment	1542.95
Star Valley Township	February 2021 Apportionment	1681.80
Bonesteel Town	February 2021 Apportionment	5709.47
Burke City	February 2021 Apportionment	11587.99
Dallas Town	February 2021 Apportionment	3058.57
Town of Fairfax	February 2021 Apportionment	3320.11
Gregory City	February 2021 Apportionment	22562.43
Town of Herrick	February 2021 Apportionment	3046.27

Appera	136.92	R&B Supplies
Beck Motors, Inc	33266.00	Sheriff Machinery
Bonesteel Enterprise	989.40	Supplies
Burke Building Center	178.85	R&B Repairs & Supplies
Burke Building Center	17.58	Courthouse Supplies
Burke City	1276.80	Courthouse Utilities
Burke Gazette	741.90	Publishing
Burke One Stop LLC	16.31	Courthouse Supplies
True Value Hardware-Burke	185.99	Courthouse Supplies
Burke VFW	50.00	VA Rental
Butler Machinery	8750.93	R&B Repairs & Supplies

Central Distribution	372.19	Courthouse Supplies
CenturyLink	228.57	911 Contract Expenses
Community Memorial Hospital	94.00	R&B Supplies
Dallas Town	58.00	R&B Utilities
Dollar General-Regions 410526	35.60	4h Supplies
Election Systems & Software	94.80	Election Supplies
Equipment Blades Inc.	2863.36	R&B Repairs & Supplies
Executive Management	65.75	Auditors Utilities
First National Bank Omaha	71.24	Supplies
Frontier Motors	222.50	Sheriff Repairs
GIS Benefits	358.40	Life Insurance Premium
Golden West	1383.55	Utilities
Gregory Building Center	117.38	R&B Supplies
Gregory Co. Treasurer	55.32	Partial Pmt
Gregory Co. Treasurer	577.17	Partial Pmt
Gregory Co. Treasurer	300.00	Partial Pmt
Gregory Co. Treasurer	99.13	Partial Pmt
Gregory Co. Treasurer	30.37	Partial Pmt
Gregory Co. Treasurer	1668.85	Partial Pmt
Gregory Co. Treasurer	41.74	Partial Pmt
Gregory Times Advocate	757.34	Publishing
Grossenburg Implement	85.49	R&B Repairs
Group Resources	432.00	Insurance
Gunvordahl Gunvordahl & Norberg	419.25	Mentally Ill
Hein Law Office	318.15	Court Appointed
Jim's Garbage Service	170.00	Courthouse Supplies
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Joel Sinclair LLC	40000.00	2011 Smithco Side Dump Trailer
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Julie Bartling	289.49	Auditor Supplies/Travel
Mark Katterhagen	9.00	Mentally Ill
Kennebec Telephone Company	47.34	911 Contract Expenses
Kimball Midwest	2210.90	R&B Supplies
Koenig Lumber	14.88	R&B Supplies
Lewis & Clark Behavioral	184.00	Mentally Ill
Lucy Lewno	146.51	Mentally Ill
Lincoln County Treasurer	220.92	Mentally Ill
Darcy Lockwood	9.00	Mentally Ill
Main Street Auto	920.07	R&B Repairs & Supplies
Marco	31.37	Copy Machine
Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, LLC	1866.15	DOE Software
McLeod's Printing	66.85	ROD Service/Fees
Medtox Diagnostics Inc	294.55	24/7 Supplies
Meyerink Farm Service	308.85	R&B Repairs
Mid Dakota Heating & Plumbing	66.33	R&B Supplies
Mr. Automotive	569.67	Sheriff Supplies & Repairs
Nelson Machine & Welding	460.70	Sheriff Equipment
Office Products Center	997.31	Supplies
Peterbilt Of Sioux Falls	58.11	R&B Repairs
Prestige Chemicals	751.68	R&B Supplies

Prorate Services LLC	75.00	R&B Supplies
RDO Equipment Co.	13938.24	R&B Repairs
Robbie Kehn Trucking LLC	4031.36	Gravel Hauler
Rosebud Auto	1024.40	R&B Repairs & Supplies
Rosebud Electric Cooperative	639.64	EM&D Utilities
Rosebud Farmers Union	5983.32	R&B Utilities Supplies
Runnings	224.54	R&B Repairs & Supplies
Schreiber Law Firm Prof LLC	364.90	Court Appointed
SDAAO	200.00	DOE Travel
SDACOM & PRF	258.00	February 2021 Collections
Sd Dept. Of Revenue	106003.71	February 2021 Mv/Vital Rec/DI
Sd Dept. Of Transportation	8.95	R&B Supplies
SDML Workers Comp Fund	182.00	Audit Premium
Sd Public Health Lab	40.00	Courts
Sd State Treasurer	91.82	February Sales Tax Remittance
SDACHS	350.00	R&B Supplies
Shur-Co LLC	2814.84	Solid Waste Repairs
Sirchie	216.20	Sheriff Supplies
Sandy J Steffen Law Office	22818.13	Court Appointed
The Road Guy Const. Co., Inc	3299.40	R&B Construction
Trail-Eze Inc	77.17	R&B Repairs
Tri-County Landfill	483.92	Solid Waste
Tripp County Water User Dist.	54.21	R&B Utilities
U.S. Postal Service	66.00	R&B Supplies
Ulteig	15016.00	R&B Professional Service
Us Bank Voyager Fleet System	1569.02	Sheriff Supplies
Verizon Wireless, Bellevue	455.76	Utilities
Mona Weiger	83.60	Courts
Wellmark	16172.54	Insurance
Winner Family Dentistry	557.00	Jail Medical
Winner Health Mart Pharmacy	8.97	Jail Medical Expense
Winner Police Department	4087.00	Jail Prisoner Housing
WW Tire Service	2307.43	R&B Repairs
Yankton County Treasurer	95.30	Mentally Ill
Yankton Co. Sheriff's Office	50.00	Mentally Ill

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Travel Requests: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Jessy Biggins to approve the following travel requests:

Casey Burrus, Director of Equalization: 2021 Assessing Officers School in Hot Springs, SD – May 25 through 28, 2021 (room, meals, mileage)

County Officials: Spring Workshop in Pierre, SD – May 4-5, 2021 (room, meals, mileage)

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Executive Session: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Lance Matucha to enter into executive session at 9:15 a.m. to discuss legal matters with the State's Attorney and personnel matters with the Sheriff. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Jessy Biggins to adjourn from executive session at 9:47 a.m. with no action taken. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Hiring of Deputy Sheriff: Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Jessy Biggins to approve hiring Lafe Gildemaster as full time Deputy Sheriff at \$44,000 annually with a 6-month probationary period, effective April 6, 2021. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Second Amendment Sanctuary County Resolution Presentation: A group of county residents met with the commission to offer petitions and a resolution of support for Gregory County to become a Second Amendment Sanctuary County. Approximately 418 signatures were presented.

Meeting with the Board were: Mykala Voita, John Parsons, Erin Schulte, Alyssa Liewer, Carl Koenig, P.J. Olson, Kory Kolbe, and Justice Voita.

Mykala Voita spoke for the group, explaining that the petitioners were asking the Commission to pass a resolution that states opposition to any legislation that infringes upon the Second Amendment, current or proposed. The resolution further prohibits county employees from enforcing unconstitutional laws, as well prohibiting expenditure of county funds deemed to be used for such enforcement. John Parsons and P. J. Olson also addressed the resolution.

Because the resolution encompasses such detail, the commission would like to have the State's Attorney dissect the language.

Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Lance Matucha to table action on the petitions and resolution until April 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Milling/Reclaiming and Aggregate Base Stabilizer Bids: Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Lance Matucha to accept the bid of Brown County for Milling and Reclaiming Equipment from Loiseau Construction and the bid of Yankton County for Aggregate Base Stabilizer from Team Laboratory Chemical Corporation. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Maintenance Report: Brad Ellwanger, Highway Superintendent, reported on road and bridge repairs and maintenance throughout the county.

Peterson Cemetery Road Project: The Board has asked that the Highway Superintendent have local contractors look at the road for estimates of repairing the road.

Five Year Road Plan: The Highway Superintendent is requesting that the Board begin to set its Five-Year Road Plan prior to setting the 2022 budget.

Track Loader Bids: Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Myron Johnson to rescind the motion to call for bids on a track loader (3-16-2021) and to authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase a track loader from the State of South Dakota's accepted equipment bid proposal. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Employee Resignation: Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Lance Matucha to accept the resignation of Austin Hiatt, effective March 17, 2021, via a text message. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Employee Salary Raise: Motion by Lance Matucha, second by Myron Johnson to approve a \$.20 per hour increase to David Jaros, effective April 1, 2021 (\$16.11 per hour), as Mr. Jaros has fulfilled the requirement to obtain a Class A CDL license. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Medical Claims Discussion: Two medical claims for a county resident, from Avera McKennan Hospital, were presented for consideration of payment. Motion by Myron Johnson, second by Lance Matucha to table action on the claims pending review of the county resident's financial information. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion by Jessy Biggins, second by Myron Johnson to adjourn. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Julie Bartling, Gregory Co. Auditor

Jeff Johnson, Chair