The Hyde County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday December 3, 2019. Present were Robert Bawdon, Chairman; Mel Buchheim, Kevin Baloun, Ronald VanDenberg. Greg Swenson joined the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Chairman Bawdon called the meeting to order. Motion to approve agenda by Buchheim, second by VanDenberg. All in favor, motion carried.

The Board reviewed Library Board minutes, VSO reports, Zoning Board minutes, November Commissioner meeting minutes, and fuel quotes for December-Ethanol (87 Octane) 1000gal@$2.0679 #1 Red 2500gal@$2.1816 LP Gas 3000gal@$1.287 –Hall Oil & Gas. Motion to approve by VanDenberg, second by Baloun. All in favor, motion carried. All Reports are on file in the County Auditor’s office.

AUDITOR’S ACCOUNT WITH THE TREASURER as of December 1, 2019: County General $1771065.02, Sheriff Petty Cash $500.00, R&B $663737.39, E911 $2239.53, EDS $6463.84, Spouse Abuse $315.00, School District $413.15, Highmore City $20910.23, Water District $431.70, Partial Payment $2946.24, State Revolving $48107.51, Medical Escrow $192.38, Law Library $4851.13, M&P Fund $38204.92. Register of Deeds Fees: $1875.00, Transfer Fees: $702.00.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Ronnie Mitchell met with the Board. Mitchell reported there is a possibility of attending EM101 training in Pierre on December 18. Brief discussion was held regarding weather alerts, no travel advisories, and using the Sheriff’s Facebook page to post weather related announcements. Discussion was held on generator at Auditorium regarding maintenance and fuel. Mitchell will be gone for 10 days in January.

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS: VanDenberg reported that Ron Baumgart from River City Transit and a representative from DOT were in town to check on locations for the building they will build with grant funds. Discussion was held regarding location at highway shop and what Hyde County’s contribution will be for the project (land, fill, gravel, etc.). Baumgart is on the agenda for the December 30 meeting. Discussion was held about paying for the labor for painting the Senior Center. Motion to deny payment by VanDenberg, second by Buchheim. All in favor, motion carried. Discussion was held about repairs needed on the back door of the Courthouse. Baloun will contact contractors for quote. Ring asked for contingency transfer for Government buildings to cover the cost of float repair and maintenance contract for boiler.

BUDGET: Motion by Baloun, second by Buchheim to approve a transfer from the Commissioners Contingency budget to Government Buildings-$6000.00. All in favor, motion carried. Ring informed the Board that Rural Healthcare, Inc. had sent a letter thanking the County for allocating $3600.00 to support operations at the Highmore Clinic. RHCI has evaluated its financial position and the Board of Directors unanimously agreed that with respect for everyone’s tight budget that RHCI respectfully refrain from receiving the 2020 allocated funds. RHCI thanks the County for its commitment, and may need to seek local support in the future but at this time ask that Hyde County refrain from distributing the allocated funds.

AUTO SUPPLEMENT: Motion by VanDenberg, second by Baloun to approve automatic supplement to Government Buildings budget in the amount of $292.50 (amount of check from C&B Operations deposited to General Fund-refund of tax on mower). All in favor, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Buchheim to go into Executive Session at 9:04 a.m. for personnel matters, second by VanDenberg. All in favor, motion carried. Sheriff Volek present. The Board resumed regular session at 9:13 a.m.

SHERIFF: Mike Volek met with the Board. Motion by Buchheim, second by VanDenberg to hire Shanda Spilde as part time Administrative Assistant-15 hours per week/$14.00 per hour. All in favor, motion carried. Spilde was unable to accept the position. Discussion was held regarding DOT lights-the flashing lights have been removed. There was a brief discussion about hiring a Deputy Sheriff. Action taken. Volek informed the Board he will be purchasing ammunition before the end of the year. Brief discussion was held regarding road conditions over the weekend and weather/road conditions posted to the Sheriff’s Facebook page, and Holabird ROW issues.

WEED: Dave Tatum met with the Commissioners. Tatum reported on snow removal, and boiler function. The Board reviewed the Chemical inventory for the year. The Weed Board will sign off on the inventory at their December meeting.

ZONING: As advertised a Public Hearing was held at 9:30 a.m. for the amendments to Hyde County Zoning Ordinance #2018-001. No one appeared for the hearing. The Board reviewed the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. Motion by VanDenberg to proceed with 2nd Reading of the proposed amendments, second by Baloun. Voting Aye: Buchheim, Baloun, VanDenberg, and Bawdon. Voting Naye: None. Absent and not voting: Swenson. Motion carried. The 2nd Reading of the amendments to Hyde County Zoning Ordinance #2018-001 was held. Motion by Baloun, second by VanDenberg to adopt

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** The Board reviewed the Joint Agreement and Financial Commitment to the Central South Dakota Enhancement District. Financial obligation will be $3559.98 to be paid in January 2020. Motion to approve by VanDenBerg, second by Buchheim. All in favor, motion carried.

Tiffany Hofer, from Luze Funeral Home, met with the Board. Hofer raised concerns about the amount allowed by the County for an indigent burial ($1500.00). The rate paid by the County has not increased since 1993. Hofer presented the Commissioners with information regarding funeral costs. Hofer asked that the Board raise the maximum amount the County pays to $2000.00 plus invoiced costs from the Funeral Home including: opening/closing grave, casket, liner, or cremation costs. Costs are set by resolution in January. Motion by Buchheim to change maximum amount to $2000.00 and add invoiced costs including: opening/closing grave, casket, liner, or cremation costs. Second by VanDenBerg. All in favor, motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion to go into Executive Session by VanDenBerg at 11:00 a.m. for personnel matters, second by Swenson. All in favor, motion carried. Mike Cowan present. The Board resumed regular session at 11:12 a.m.

**ROAD & BRIDGE:** Mike Cowan met with the Commissioners. Motion by Baloun, second by Swenson to offer Highway worker position to Applicant 2 at $17.00 per hour. Voting Aye: Buchheim, Baloun, Swenson, and Bawdon. Voting Naye: VanDenBerg. Absent and not voting: None. Ring will contact applicants. Discussion was held regarding complaints about opening the roads for the Faulkton bus route. Commissioners agreed Hyde County bus routes were the first priority. Cowan presented the Board with a copy of the report from Ulteig for the road inventory. Cowan gave an update on the repairs to 174th St, FEMA inspections, request for tiling, and road conditions. Discussion was held regarding hiring outside contractors to haul gravel, and the improved conditions on the Holabird Grade.

Todd Allen from Butler Machinery met with the Board. Allen gave the Commissioners information and pricing on 140M road graders. Discussion was held regarding 7 or 9 year warranties, service intervals, snow equipment, joystick vs. steering wheel, and buyback options. Price is approximately $356306.00. No action taken.

Jeree Meyers from RDO Equipment met with the Board. Meyers gave the Commissioners information and pricing on John Deere 772G motor graders. Discussion was held regarding warranty, service intervals, snow equipment, steering wheels, buyback options, glass problems, and fuel consumption. Price is approximately $343200.00. No action taken.

**STATE’S ATTORNEY:** Emily Sovell met with the Commissioners. Discussion was held regarding ongoing ROW problems in Holabird and how this affects snow removal in Holabird. Sovell reviewed notices of hospitalization. No action taken.

Ring left the meeting at 12:15 p.m. Deputy Auditor Hamlin filled in.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS:** Connie Konrad met with the Board. Jim Laird and Jill Heasley from Titles of Dakota, and Emily Sovell also present. Discussion was held regarding scanning project, including but not limited to: Microfilm Imaging Services, Inc. invoice, Titles of Dakota copies, and copy of images to South Dakota Records and Management for microfilm.

**CLAIMS:** Motion by Buchheim, seconded by Baloun to approve the following claims and authorize the County Auditor to issue warrants in the payment of claims. All in favor, motion carried.

**COMMISSIONERS:** Highmore Herald, publishing, $242.03, Quoin Financial Bank-cash, postage, $6.50, Ronald VanDenBerg, reimbursement for mileage-CSDED mtg, $43.68; JERICHO: Services C-1, payment, $744.00; AUDITOR: American Solutions for Business, supplies, $264.97, Larjo’s, supplies, $373.50; US Postmaster, stamps, $770.00; TREASURER: American Solutions for Business, supplies, $381.94, Quoin Financial Bank-cash, postage, $7.46; US Postmaster, stamps, $1210.00; COPPER: A&B Business, maintenance contract, $62.13; JEREE’S: Equipment, maintenance contract, $150.00; CITY: Services C-1, payment, $744.00; STATE’S ATTORNEY: Prairie Thistle, rent, $150.00, SD State’s Attorney Association, dues, $633.00, Emily Sovell, reimbursement for supplies/copies, $237.98; GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS: &R Controls, boiler repairs/maint. Contract, $3915.82, Pam Hamlin, professional services, $672.00, Highmore Herald, publishing, $67.50, Hyde County Senior Center, reimbursement for paint, $464.72, Mashek’s Food Center, supplies, $225.90; ASSESSOR: American Solutions for Business, supplies, $4.99, Carrie Stephenson, reimbursement for mileage, $79.80, US Postmaster, stamps, $455.00; REGISTER OF DEEDS: American Solutions for Business, supplies, $12.73, Connecting Point, professional services, $110.00; Quoin Financial Bank-cash, postage, $4.80, US Postmaster, stamps, $265.00; SHERIFF:SD Sheriff’s Association, dues, $542.60, US Postmaster, stamps, $290.00, Al Volek, professional services, $1870.00; FIRE PROTECTION: Highmore Fire Department, 4th quarter payment, $6250.00; LIBRARY: Demco, supplies, $453.08; Hall Oil & Gas, propane, $135.52;Mashek’s Food Center, supplies, $67.61, National Geographic, subscription, $39.00, Quill, supplies, $201.48, Quoin Financial Bank-cash, postage, $22.95, Small Farmer’s Journal, subscription, $47.00; SENIOR CITIZENS: Hyde County Senior Center, donation for cabinets, $7500.00; EXTENSION:
American Solutions for Business, supplies, $5.42, SDSU Extension, program advisor fee, $1042.08, US Postmaster, stamps, $275.00; WEED: Connecting Point, professional services, $55.00, Mike’s Tires & Repairs, supplies, $45.00, SD Association of Weed & Pest Supervisors, dues, $50.00, US Postmaster, stamps, $55.00; ROAD & BRIDGE: A-Ox Welding Supply, supplies, $185.95, Advance Auto Parts, supplies/repairs, $63.22, American Solutions for Business, supplies, $15.74, Butler Machinery, supplies/repairs, $3271.31, CNH Productivity Plus (Titan), repairs/supplies, $384.21, Comfort Inn & Suites-Mitchell, 1 night lodging-safety mtg, $92.50, Fastenal, supplies, $107.84, Faulk County Highway Dept., professional services, $11969.21, Glass Doctor, repairs, $725.90, Hall Oil & Gas, fuel/propane, $7857.38, Highmore Herald, publishing, $108.00, Inland Truck, repairs, $16.66, Kristi Brunes, professional services, $75.00, Mashek’s Food Center, supplies, $7.57, Mikka Pechacek, reimbursement for mileage, $118.41, SD DOT Finance Office, maintenance on 216th St., $61.69, Servall, maint/supplies, $20.46, Ulteig, haul road inventory, $40280.00; EDS: Ronnie Mitchell, personal cell usage, $20.00; MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTS: Century Link, utilities, $107.20; City of Highmore, utilities, $348.85; Northwestern Energy, utilities, $764.61; Venture Communications, utilities, $1424.93; Verizon Wireless, utilities, $109.44, Wellmark, health insurance, $24704.84, SDRS, contributions, $2899.65, AFLAC, cancer, intensive care, accident & dental insurance, $401.79, Heartland State Bank, FICA, $3619.75.

SALARIES: Commissioner, $3291.30, Travel: Buchheim $13.44; Auditor $5288.38; Treasurer $5488.31; State’s Attorney $4851.18; Assessor $3521.33, Register of Deeds $5749.07; VSO $317.24, Sheriff $4166.67; EDS $545.87; E911 $268.56; Road & Bridge $22441.11; Library $2305.66; Extension $775.43; Weed $4193.17.

Motion was made by Buchheim to adjourn at 12:35 p.m., seconded by Baloun. All in favor, motion carried. The Board will reconvene Monday December 30, at 8:30 a.m. for their end of the year meeting.

Hyde County Board of Commissioners

Robert Bawdon, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marilyn Ring, Hyde County Auditor

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Pamela Hamlin, Hyde Deputy Auditor

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