

ONGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY MINUTES OF JUNE 2, 2017

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on June 5, 2017. Present: Art Hopkins, Lyla Hutchison, Wendell Yellow Bull and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Arlin Whirlwindhorse and Anna Takes the Shield were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given and the meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Wendell Yellow Bull. The agenda was reviewed for conflicts. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Hopkins to approve the agenda as written.

Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Hopkins to approve the April 21, 2017, along with the May 5, 2017 minutes, with the correction to the discussion on the abatement for a mobile home on tribal land to reflect that a mobile home on tribal land is exempt if owned by an OST member.

Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Hutchison, to approve and place on file the May 2017 Veteran Service Officer's monthly report.

Motion by Hopkins, seconded by Hutchison to approve the April 30, 2017 Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER

**TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS:**

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 on this 30th day of April, 2017.

Total Amt of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS: \$27,728.55

Total Amount of Cash: \$1,974.70

Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's

Possession Not Exceeding Three Days: \$552.05

MONEY MARKET SAVINGS:

 First Interstate-Hot Springs: \$1,690,391.63

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:

 First Interstate-Hot Springs: \$250,000.00

Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts that have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days:

Sheriff Change Fund: \$200.00
Election Petty Cash: \$15.00
Treasurer Shortage:

TOTAL \$1,970,861.93

Dated This 30th Day of April, 2017.

Sue Ganje, County Auditor of Oglala Lakota County

County Monies: \$1,847,412.08
Held for other Entities: \$94,249.66
Held in Trust: \$29,200.19
TOTAL: \$1,970,861.93

The Above Balance Reflects County Monies, Monies Held in Trust, and Monies Collected for and to be remitted to Other ENTITIES: SCHOOLS, TOWNS, AND STATE.

Susie Simkins, Director of Equalization, presented the final AY17 pay 2018 abstract values. Hutchison questioned the increases in agricultural values with Simkins noting that those increases have been as per state law. The document on final AY17 values showed comparisons back to the pay '13 values, values from reappraisal and growth, also noting the decrease in values for the exempt programs and discretionary formulas.

Discussion was held on the county reappraisal that will be done this summer. Simkins and crew will start in the Town of Batesland. Agricultural audit forms will also be sent out soon. Appraiser Frances Denison has contacted Twister and KILI radio stations with information and she will also send information to postmasters. Simkins will be meeting with Sheriff Conroy and Lynx Bettelyoun to discuss road conditions, etc. Appraisals will then be put on a seven year cycle.

Brian Ahrendt, Deputy State's Attorney and Simkins continued a discussion on the issue of whether real property and/or mobile homes on the Pine Ridge Reservation are taxable or not, with Ahrendt presenting his research and Simkins advising of the State's determinations. It was agreed that anything on trust land is not taxable (example: a mobile home owned by a tribal member on tribal land is not taxable). A mobile home owned by a tribal member on deeded land is still exempt, while the land and other buildings are taxed. All land and buildings on deeded land owned by non tribal members are taxable. Simkins is working on a form so properties are designated as to ownership and to be signed. Hutchison had concerns about tribal members being taken advantage of.

Lynx Bettelyoun, Highway Superintendent, met with board and presented fuel quotes as follows:

380 gallons of unleaded gas

1900 gallons of #2 dyed diesel

Westco	\$2.240/gallon	\$1.969/gallon
Nelson's Oil	No Bid	No Bid
Pine Ridge Oil	No Bid	No bid

Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Hopkins to approve the low and only bid from Westco for 380 gallons of unleaded gas for \$2.240 per gallon and \$1.969 per gallon for 1900 gallons of #2 dyed diesel.

Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Hutchison to approve the May 30, 2017 fuel transfer from the Sheriff Department to the Highway Department in the amount of 36.5 gallons at \$2.24 per gallon for a total of \$81.76.

Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Hopkins to approve the private road contract for Derek Puckett in the amount of \$75.

Anna Takes The Shield entered the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Hopkins to approve sending Karen Bush, Highway bookkeeper, to DWare training on June 21 and June 22, 2017 in Oacoma.

Lynx has been getting roads re-prepped after the rain. He is short handed; one employee left and he is advertising.

The start date has not been given yet on the Kyle Road gravel hauling project. Bettelyoun is working with the Tribe as they are considering a 30% bond for haul road agreements. Yellow Bull suggested working with the Tribe to create an MOA agreement between the county and Tribal roads. Hopkins complemented Bettelyoun and his crew on a great job on the roads.

Hearing was held on sealed bids as advertised. Yellow Bull declared that he would excuse himself and abstain from this portion of the meeting and turned the meeting over to Vice Chair Hutchison. Bids were received as follows: Fred Ferguson, \$2,000 for Ford tractor and mower; William Brewer, \$2,850 for the Freightliner tractor. The board compared the bids to the appraisals for a 1989 freightliner and a 1977 John Deere tractor and mower. Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Takes The Shield to accept the bid for the 1989 Freightliner in the amount of \$2,850 from William Brewer.

Motion by Takes The Shield, seconded by Hopkins to reject the 1977 John Deere tractor and mower bid in the amount of \$2,000 by Fred Ferguson.

Motion made by Takes The Shield, seconded by Hopkins to re-advertise for sealed bids for the mower and 1977 John Deere tractor.

The board contacted Nathan Kehn with the Badlands Soil Conservation by phone for a 2018 budget request. Kehn explained about the program, that there were volunteers and all work was done in Oglala Lakota County. Revenue comes from tree sales and rent of a drill. They are hoping to get a new drill through a grant. Kehn also stated that there is

a secretary that is getting paid and she is shared with Bennett County. The board would like more information on their annual expense and revenues.

Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Takes The Shield, to approve appointing the commissioners, sheriff and emergency management as the L.E.P.C. board.

Sheriff Rex Conroy met with the board to give his monthly sheriff's report. Yellow Bull recommended that Conroy try to apply for a grant that would help for a database for Law Enforcement. Discussion was held on pistol permits, and getting information from Tribal law enforcement records as he is only able to receive information from state records. Yellow Bull suggested an authorization to release records from individuals. Yellow Bull also recommended working with the State's Attorney and other counties as information is a great asset.

Conroy discussed the possibility of getting price quotes for a new or used vehicle. Conroy will bring figures in the future.

Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Takes The Shield to approve bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND

HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	DENTAL/VISION INSURA	108.48
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SHERI	87.34
BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	468.52
DEPARTMENT OF LEG. AUDIT	2015 AUDIT	2,567.50
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	MILEAGE	45.36
EFTPS	PAYROLL TAXES EFTPS	2,132.40
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	CARD MEMBER SERVICES	414.78
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	LEASE PAYMENT *LAST	468.20
GOLDEN WEST	LOCAL PHONE/EMAIL/LO	271.50
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MILEAGE	95.76
LAKOTA COUNTRY TIMES	PUBLICATION	106.94
MASTEL, BRUCE	WEB HOST/UPDATE/SERV	35.00
MONTANA CSED	CHILD SUPPORT	869.28
O'DAY, VALARIE	COURT REPORTER	144.40
OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE	MONTH RENT FOR VET S	100.00
RESERVE ACCOUNT	POSTAGE METER PITNEY	276.00
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLY	309.20
RELIANCE STANDARD	LIFE INSURANCE	38.75
SD ASSN OF COUNTY COMM.	CATASTROPHIC LEGAL 1	349.84
SECRETARY OF STATE	PISTOL PERMIT	159.00
SD STATE RETIREMENT	SDRS CONTRIBUTIONS	1,270.34
SRM YOUTH ACTIVITES	RANGE CAMP	150.00
STATE TREASURER	AUTO FEE/MI	120.00
WHIRLWIND HORSE, ARLIN	MILEAGE	95.76
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MILEAGE	53.76

SLEIGHTER, MICHAEL	PISTOL PERMIT REFUND	10.00
HUTCHISON, LYLA	MILEAGE	67.20
COMMISSION	SALARY	725.00
AUDITOR	SALARY	1,316.67
TREASURER	SALARY	1,316.67
STATES ATTORNEY	SALARY	1,666.67
REGISTER OF DEEDS	SALARY	1,316.67
VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER	SALARY	1,250.00
SHERIFF	SALARY	3,727.08
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	23,434.07

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE

A & B WELDING SUPPLY	WELDING SUPPLY/LEASE	42.60
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	DENTAL/VISION INSURA	134.64
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SHERI	84.69
BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	937.04
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP/REPAIR	16,892.79
PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCT	HWY SUPPLIES	106.32
CULLIGAN	UTLITY/WATER DISPENS	11.00
D-WARE INC	D-WARE ANNUAL CONFER	125.00
EFTPS	PAYROLL TAXES EFTPS	2,880.75
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	CARD MEMBER SERVICES	58.60
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIO	LOCAL PHONE & INTERN	189.35
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	CREDIT CARD CHARGES	21.37
LARSON COMPANIES	PART	793.80
MCI COMM SERVICE	LONG DISTANCE PHONE	48.00
MENARDS	SUPPLY	68.71
PINE RIDGE AUTO PARTS	AUTO PARTS/SUPPLIES	36.21
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	19.50
RELIANCE STANDARD	LIFE INSURANCE	67.75
SD STATE RETIREMENT	SDRS CONTRIBUTIONS	1,349.82
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	SALARY	11,391.11
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	OVERTIME	893.79
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	36,152.84

M & P RELIEF

MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	SCANNING EQUIP LEASE	145.00
	TOTAL FOR 25000 M & P RELIEF	145.00
	TOTAL PAID BETWEEN 5/06/17 AND 6/02/17	59,731.91

Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Takes The Shield to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

/s/ Wendell Yellow Bull

Wendell Yellow Bull, Chairman
Board of Oglala Lakota County
Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, Oglala Lakota County Auditor