

SHANNON COUNTY MINUTES OF APRIL 3, 2015

The Shannon Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on April 3, 2015. Present: Lyla Hutchison, Arlin Whirlwindhorse, Wendell Yellow Bull and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Absent: Art Hopkins and Anna Diaz.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given and the meeting called to order at 1:11 PM. A moment of silence was observed in memory of former Commissioner Francis Pumpkin Seed. Yellow Bull presented the Governor’s Proclamation recognizing the county name change to Oglala Lakota County, which will be effective May 1, 2015.

Diaz joined the meeting at 1:13 PM. The agenda was reviewed for conflicts; none were indicated. Motion by Hutchison, seconded by Diaz, to approve the agenda as written. The board agreed it would be good to have a working agenda on the county website. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Diaz, to approve the minutes of March 6, 2015. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Hutchison, seconded by Whirlwindhorse, to approve the February, 2015 Auditor’s Account with the Treasurer. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SHANNON 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 28th day of February, 2015.

TOTAL AMT OF DEPOSIT IN FIRST INTERSTATE BANK, HS -	\$ <u>43,097.39</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT OF ACTUAL CASH -	\$ <u>4,630.39</u>
TOTAL AMT OF CHECKS IN TREASURER’S POSSESSION NOT EXCEEDING THREE DAYS -	\$ <u>2,687.93</u>
MONEY MARKET SAVINGS: FIRST INTERSTATE BANK, Hot Springs -	\$ <u>381,349.53</u>
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT-FIRST INTERSTATE BANK, Hot Springs -	\$ <u>250,000.00</u>

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

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

RETURNED CHECKS:

ATENE, N. L. -	\$199.00, LIC	MCDONALD, JOHN -	\$983.97, LIC
BLACK FEATHER, DAVID -	\$75.00, LIC	MESTETH, PERRY -	\$63.00, LIC
BLETHEN, RENE -	\$48.25, LIC	MORRISON, NADINE -	\$15.00, LIC
BURGESS, JEANNE -	\$45.00, LIC	OLD HORSE, JOHN -	\$15.00, LIC
CEDAR FACE, GAIL -	\$32.38, LIC	PARTON, JOY -	\$32.00, LIC
GARNETT, AQUALYNE -	\$64.00, LIC	POURIER, JOEL -	\$349.00, LIC
GOINGS, TANYA L. -	\$71.00, LIC	RED CLOUD, JOHN -	\$45.90, LIC
JANIS, JENNIFER -	\$90.50, LIC	ROSS, WILLIAM -	\$53.00, LIC
LITTLE HAWK, JOLENE -	\$32.40, LIC	STANDS, SHARON-	\$47.80, LIC
LONE HILL, TRINA -	\$20.70, LIC		

TOTAL - \$684,263.14

Dated This 28th Day of February, 2015

/S/Sue Ganje, Auditor

SUE GANJE, COUNTY AUDITOR OF SHANNON COUNTY

Motion by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Diaz, to approve and place on file the March report of Veterans Services Officer Denver American Horse. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hutchison, that the Board has reviewed and approves the US Dept. of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs notice of three properties to be held in trust for the use and benefit of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Hopkins joined the meeting at 1:28 PM.

The Board discussed housing expenses for prisoners, which currently exceed the amount budgeted for 2015 by approximately \$9,000.00. Deputy State's Attorney Pat Ginsbach was present and the Board asked him for input on how they might reduce the costs. Ginsbach suggested releasing inmates that are being held for immigration if they are not promptly picked up and offered to bill applicable agencies in an attempt to recoup housing costs.

Motion by Hutchison, seconded by Diaz, to set a contingency and supplement hearing for 1:10 PM on May 1, 2015. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Lynx Bettelyoun updated the Board on Short Course training he attended, reported on roadwork and disbursement of STIP funds, noting that some grants will be available only to counties that assess a wheel tax. Fuel transfers were presented. Motion by Hutchison, seconded by Diaz, to approve the transfer of \$224.70 to reimburse the Highway Dept. for fuel used by the Sheriff's Dept. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

The Board discussed a lease with RDO for a mowing tractor, which has risen from \$1.00 per hour to \$20.00 per hour in cost. The Board suggested Bettelyoun look for a tractor. Motion by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Diaz, to approve a lease with RDO for a mower at \$20.00 per hour with a 250-hour minimum. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

A quote for a packer was presented. Motion by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Diaz, to approve \$19,890.00 for a Rock 'n Roller packer. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Susie Hayes Simkins, Director of Equalization, presented an abatement request. Motion by Hutchison, seconded by Diaz, to approve an abatement of \$52.16 in 2014 property taxes for Karen Bowen-Raymond on parcel 81999 00000 00002 as she is deceased, the property has been sold to a tribal member and therefore should be exempt. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Simkins asked the Board to set a date for the Board of Equalization to meet. Motion by Hutchison, seconded by Whirlwindhorse, to set 2:30 PM on May 1, 2015 as the time for the meeting of the Shannon County Board of Equalization. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Simkins reported that a computer error resulted in the 2015 valuations for ag lands not being updated before notices were sent. By law, the department cannot send out corrected notices. Simkins is working with the state on how best to resolve the error, which may be adjusting the factor. Simkins will report any developments to the Board.

Sheriff Rex Conroy reported the Oglala Sioux Tribe has declared as surplus and transferred to Shannon County a 2010 Chevy Tahoe for Deputy Joe Herman to use as a patrol vehicle. A camera system was installed in Conroy's 2009 Tahoe, an office space in the Justice Center has been approved and a use agreement signed. Conroy reported that he had department guns appraised and traded a Beretta, a Kimber and a Tikka in on a Colt assault rifle. Additional equipment was discussed; the Board requested Conroy provide a monthly recap of activity and research any state training resources available for suicide prevention and response.

Motion by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hopkins to approve travel for Conroy to attend a sheriff's workshop in Deadwood on April 22-24, 2015. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Allen Schaefer, SD Dept. of Legislative Audit, met with the Board for his closing conference on the 2012-13 audit. Discussion was held on the state of the county's finances and Yellow Bull suggested the possibility of cost sharing with the Tribe to provide county services, adding that other counties with Reservations should be researched. Motion by Hutchison, seconded by Diaz, to accept the report of Allen Schaefer on the 2013-13 audit. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

Auditor Ganje presented the 2014 Annual Report and provided information on a possible opt-out for 2016, which could provide funding needed to operate the 2016 election. Yellow Bull discussed whether the Tribe could provide any support for the election.

Motion by Hopkins, seconded by Whirlwindhorse, to table a request from County Coroner Audrey Martinez for a vehicle until the May 1, 2015 meeting. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

The Board discussed inviting the congressional delegation to a meeting to discuss county funds and the difficulty in establishing a county budget for 2016 in light of election, mental health and inmate costs.

Motion by Diaz, seconded by Whirlwindhorse, to approve bills as presented with the exception of the following claims: Pennington County State's Attorney, \$215.00; Lewis and Clark Behavioral Health Services, \$320.00; Audra Malcomb Consulting, \$1,929.27; Pennington County Jail, \$473.20; and

the Yankton County Treasurer, \$113.75, as they are mental illness related expenses for which the county is not responsible. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried.

General Fund

Commissioners	March Salaries	\$500.00
Auditor's Office	March Salaries	\$2,894.35
Treasurer's Office	March Salaries	\$2,391.67
State's Attorney Office	March Salaries	\$1,316.67
Director Of Equalization	March Salaries	\$1,277.37
Register Of Deeds	March Salaries	\$1,762.98
Veterans Services	March Salaries	\$1,250.00
Sheriff's Office	March Salaries	\$3,726.92
Coroner	March Salaries	\$664.00
AT&T Mobility	Telephone	\$87.69
Blue Cross / Blue Shield	Insurance	\$445.91
Century Business	Copier	\$10.68
Takes The Shield, Anna	Travel	\$39.96
EFTPS	Taxes	\$2,839.01
Farrell, Farrell &Ginsbach	Deputy SA	\$1,666.66
Cardmember Service	Supply	\$9.99
Cardmember Service	Fuel	\$147.46
First Interstate Bank	March Service Charge	\$34.10
First Interstate Bank	Vehicle	\$570.24
Golden West	Telephone	\$55.84
Hopkins, Arthur L	Travel	\$62.16
Jenniges, Edith	Vic Advocate	\$208.33
Lakota Country Times	Publishing	\$224.00
Lakota Country Times	Publishing	\$272.00
Martinez, Audrey	Travel	\$95.83
Mastel, Bruce	Contract	\$35.00
Meyer, Elsa	Interpreter	\$300.00
O'Neill, Justin	CAAF	\$697.41
Pennington County Jail	Inmate	\$1,460.00
Quill Corporation	Supply	\$31.90
Regional Pharmacy	Inmate	\$2.69
SDAAO	Travel	\$55.00
SD Dept Of Revenue	License	\$23.00
SDPAA	Insurance	\$308.77
Secretary Of State	Permits	\$42.00
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SD State Retirement	Retirement	\$1,570.90
State Treasurer	Mi/Autos	\$240.00
US Postal Service	Postage	\$186.03
Whirlwind Horse, Arlin	Travel	\$84.36

Winslow, Shari	Vic Advocate	\$208.33
Yellow Bull, Wendell	Travel	\$47.36
Hutchison, Lyla	Travel	\$59.20
	General Fund Total	\$27,933.77

Road & Bridge

Road & Bridge	March Salaries	\$7,497.87
and overtime of		\$47.48
AT&T Mobility	Telephone	\$139.84
Bettelyoun, Lynn	Travel	\$22.86
Blue Cross / Blue Shield	Insurance	\$1,337.73
Butler Machinery Co.	Repairs	\$602.28
CNH Capital	Supply	\$154.58
Culligan	Utilities	\$15.50
EFTPS	Taxes	\$1,607.04
Cardmember Service	Supply	\$131.64
Golden West Technologies	Repair	\$954.57
Great Plains Comm.	Telephone	\$181.61
Husker Auto Parts	Repair/Supply	\$597.86
Inland Truck Parts & Serv	Repairs	\$632.37
John Deere Financial	Supply	\$35.97
LaCreek Electric Assoc	Utility	\$454.17
MCI Comm Service	Telephone	\$47.50
Menards	Supply	\$80.89
Quill Corporation	Supply	\$56.68
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SD State Retirement	Retirement	\$883.20
Gordon True Value	Supply	\$54.63
Westco	Fuel	\$3,927.44
	Road & Bridge Total	\$19,520.39

Grand Total **\$47,454.16**

Motion by Hopkins, seconded by Hutchison, to adjourn. With no further discussion and all voting yes, the motion carried and the Board adjourned at 4:32 PM.

ATTEST:

/s/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, Shannon County Auditor

/s/ Wendell Yellow Bull

Wendell Yellow Bull, Chairman

Board of Shannon County Commissioners