The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in special session on May 31, 2022. Present: Anna Takes the Shield (DuBray) (via phone), Eugenio White Hawk (via phone), Wendell Yellow Bull (via phone) and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Ramon Bear Runner and Art Hopkins were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 1:23 p.m. by Chairman White Hawk. The agenda was reviewed for conflicts; none were noted. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

Discussion was held on the coroner position and possible appointment.

Hopkins joined the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Motion made by Takes the Shield to appoint Audrey Martinez as a coroner deputy, until a meeting can be held to discuss the coroner position in further detail, with the state’s attorney, to see what legally can be done. Motion dies for a lack of a second.

Takes the Shield left the meeting at 1:33 p.m.

Further discussion was held on possibilities of how to move forward with the coroner position.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to recess until 3:00 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 3:00 p.m., with Hopkins, Takes the Shield and White Hawk present.

Discussion was held on the coroner position.

Motion made by Takes the Shield, seconded by Hopkins, to approve Audrey Martinez as deputy coroner, to complete duties as she can, until further action can be taken at the regular meeting on June 11, 2022.

No public comment was given. Motion made by Takes the Shield, seconded by Hopkins, to adjourn at 3:24 p.m.

/s/Eugenio White Hawk
Eugenio White Hawk, Chairman
Board of Oglala Lakota County Commissioners

ATTEST:
/s/Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje, Oglala Lakota County Auditor