

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY UNAPPROVED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, DECEMBER 28, 2023

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met for a regular meeting December 28, 2023. Present: Allyssa Comer, Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray). Wendell Yellow Bull was present by telephone. Absent: Ramon Bear Runner and Art Hopkins.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given, and the meeting was called to order at 1:24 p.m. by Vice-Chairwoman Comer. The agenda was reviewed for conflicts. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

No conflicts of interest were noted.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Comer, to approve the agenda as written.

Motion made by Comer, seconded by Yellow Bull, to approve the meeting minutes of December 12 and December 13, 2023.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Comer, to approve the Oglala Lakota-Fall River 2024 Contract.

Yellow Bull would like to see a spreadsheet as to what Fall River County pays that Oglala Lakota County also pays for services.

Motion made by Comer, seconded by Yellow Bull, to approve the Private Road Maintenance Contract with Velma Kills Back in the amount of \$170.00.

Teresa Pullen, Treasurer, met with the Board.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Comer, to approve half of the Treasurer's JD Power Connect subscription in the amount of \$212.50.

Art Hopkins entered the meeting by telephone at 1:43 p.m.

The Board discussed what day of the month that they would like to hold the Commissioner meetings in the upcoming year. Due to court normally being held on Wednesdays and Fridays, the State's Attorney is unable to attend most meetings.

Ramon Bear Runner entered the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

Motion made by Comer, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve holding Commission meetings on the second Monday of each month.

The Board reviewed the letters of intent and applications/resumes for the vacant Sheriff position.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Comer to approve continuing the appointment of Derek Puckett for the temporary full-time Sheriff position.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Comer, to require all County employees to get permission from the Board prior to applying for or requesting funds from any outside sources.

Derek Puckett, Sheriff, met with the Board to introduce himself and provide updates. Hopkins asked Sheriff Puckett his intentions during his temporary appointment as Sheriff.

The Supplement and Contingency Hearing was held at this time.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Yellow Bull, to approve the Supplement and Contingency Resolution #2023-10 as follows:

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY RESOLUTION #2023-10

Supplemental Budget 2023, #2

Contingency Transfer 2023, #1

WHEREAS, SDCL 7-21-22 provides that the Board of County Commissioners may adopt a supplemental budget, and whereas, as due and legal notice has been given, the following Supplements to expenditures and revenues for December 28, 2023 Budget be approved as follows: General Fund: Commissioners Salaries 10100x4110111, \$6,600.00; Commissioner Supply 10100x4260111, \$629.96; Revenue General Fund: Interest 10100R3610100, \$11,688.66; Miscellaneous 10100r3690100, \$16,992.30 Means of finance to be cash and cash for revenues received, and

WHEREAS, SDCL 7-21-32.2 provides that the Board of County Commissioners may adopt a transfer appropriation from the contingency budget to other appropriations, which are insufficient, a contingency transfer shall be approved and adopted to the following Departments: Commissioner Fica 10100x4120111, \$504.79; Commissioner Supply 10100x4260111, \$55.24; Commissioner Travel 10100x4270111, \$4,801.82; Hava Maintenance 10100x4251120, \$627.09; St Attorney Retirement 10100x4130151, \$1,749.61; St Attorney Supply 10100x4260151, \$1,687.00; Information Technology 10100x4260171, \$13,150.00; Sheriff Salaries 10100x4110211, \$5,855.36; Sheriff Equipment 10100x4340211; Inmate Expense 10100x4262212, \$8,719.94; Mental Illness Board 10100x4221445, \$53.50

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners to adopt a Supplemental Budget #2 and Contingency Transfer #1.

Dated at Oglala Lakota County, South Dakota this 28th day of December 2023.

/S/ Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray)

Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray), Chairwoman
Oglala Lakota County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, Auditor
Oglala Lakota County Auditor's Office

Sue Ganje, Auditor, spoke to the board on the year end Surplus Analysis report that is on the agenda. It was determined that due to 2023 Resolution #8 restricting one million (\$1,000,000) for the upgrade to the county building in Batesland, the analysis was not needed. Ganje will bring the restricted balance of ARPA monies back to the next meeting.

No break was taken.

The Veteran Service Officer was not present at this time, so the Board moved onto State's Attorney Lance Russell's travel request.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Comer, to approve travel and to pay the registration fee of \$595.00 for the State's Attorney to attend the 2024 NDAA Summer Summit in Boise, ID, July 15-16, 2024.

Jerlene Arredondo, Veteran Service Officer, met with the Board at this time to present updates and the VSO monthly report. She requested mileage from Batesland to Pine Ridge to move a headstone that was delivered to the previous VSO location from outside the building into the building.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Yellow Bull, to accept the Veteran Service Officer's monthly report.

Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray), Chairwoman, presented Years of Service Appreciation Certificates to employees with donated rewards to Oglala Lakota County personnel and Fall River/Oglala Lakota Counties contracted personnel as follows: Sue Ganje, 40 years, Frank Maynard 21 years, Audrey Martinez 17 years, Bobbie Janis 17 years, Lynx Bettelyoun 16 years, Melody Engebretson 15 years, Stacey Martin 14 years, Wendell Yellow Bull 14 years, David (Sam) White Face 13 years, Stacy Schmidt 13 years Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray) 10 years, LaVella Birkland 10 years, Julie Tomlinson 8 years, Art Hopkins 8 years, Teresa Pullen 6 years, Jerelene Arredondo 5 years and Kathy Timmins 5 years. This represents employees who have five years of service or more.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Comer, to acknowledge the following businesses that generously donated awards to the County as follows:

- Buche Foods in Pine Ridge
- Lynn's Dakotamart in Hot Springs
- Sonny's Super Foods in Hot Springs
- Ace Hardware in Hot Springs
- Taco Johns in Hot Springs
- Dairy Queen in Hot Springs

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Comer, to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND		
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	MILEAGE	\$72.42
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SHERI	\$112.62
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	MILEAGE	\$66.30
BEAM INSURANCE ADMIN. LLC	VISION PLAN	\$17.09
CENTURY BUSINESS	COPIER LEASE/METER	\$435.93
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	MILEAGE	\$51.00
EFTPS	EFTPS PAYROLL TAXES	\$3,274.53
GOLDEN WEST	LOCAL PHONE/EMAIL/IN	\$186.00
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MILEAGE	\$108.12
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MTG MILEAGE/NO SHOW	-\$108.12
MASTEL, BRUCE	WEB HOST/UPDATE/SERV	\$35.00
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE	\$442.30
RUSSELL, LANCE	STATE'S ATTORNEY SUM	\$595.00
SD ASSN OF COUNTY COMM.	2024 MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$3,001.00
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	AUTO/MI STATE REMITT	\$60.00
SD STATE RETIREMENT	SDRS CONTRIBUTIONS	\$1,328.75
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	SUBSCRIPTION	\$155.40
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MILEAGE	\$66.30
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MTG MILEAGE/NO SHOW	-\$66.30
COMER, ALLYSSA	MILEAGE	\$97.92
COMMISSIONERS	DECEMBER SALARIES	\$1,450.00
STATES ATTORNEY	DECEMBER SALARIES	\$500.00
VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER	DECEMBER SALARIES	\$3,189.33
SHERIFF	DECEMBER SALARIES	\$5,855.36
CORONER	DECEMBER SALARIES	\$1,225.00
COMMISSIONERS	BONUS/SPECIAL PAY	\$5,000.00

VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER	BONUS/SPECIAL PAY	\$1,000.00
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$28,150.95
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE		
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SHERI	\$94.43
BANNER ASSOCIATES, INC.	SERVICES	\$402.00
BEAM INSURANCE ADMIN. LLC	VISION PLAN	\$41.65
BIG STATE IND SUPPLY INC.	SUPPLY	\$411.40
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	EQUIPMENT / SERVICE	\$38,919.18
DELTA DENTAL OF SD	DENTAL PLAN	\$236.00
DWARE, INC.	SOFTWARE	\$4,570.00
EFTPS	EFTPS PAYROLL TAXES	\$4,524.45
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIO	LOCAL PHONE & INTERN	\$221.98
MARTIN AUTO PARTS	SUPPLY	\$167.79
MCI COMM SERVICE	LONG DISTANCE	\$54.28
PACIFIC STEEL & RECYCLING	SUPPLY	\$408.86
SD STATE RETIREMENT	SDRS CONTRIBUTIONS	\$2,595.15
CRBR ADMIN	DECEMBER SALARIES	\$16,061.51
CRBR ADMIN	BONUS/SPECIAL PAY	\$11,000.00
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	\$79,708.68
M & P RELEIF FUND		
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	SCANNING EQUIP LEASE	\$75.00
	TOTAL FOR M & P RELEIF FUND	\$75.00
	TOTAL BILLS PAID BETWEEN 12/14 & 12/29/2023	\$107,934.63

Discussion was held during public comment regarding full-time versus part-time employment for the acting County Sheriff due to Puckett having other full-time employment.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Comer to rescind the motion to keep the appointment of Derek Puckett as full-time Sheriff.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Comer to temporarily appoint Derek Puckett as Sheriff until the next meeting date.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Comer, to adjourn at 2:45 p.m.

/S/ Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray)
Anna Takes the Shield, Chairwoman
Board of Oglala Lakota County Commissioners

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