

ONGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF MAY 13, 2024

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on May 13, 2024. Present: Allyssa Comer, Art Hopkins, Ramon Bear Runner and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray) and Wendell Yellow Bull were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 1:22 p.m. by Chairwoman Comer. The agenda was reviewed for conflicts. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the agenda with the addition of approval of the Auditor’s Account with the Treasurer for April and the request from the Auditor for Oglala Lakota County to approve the cost share amount for Software Services to contract for Payroll Services.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the meeting minutes for April 8, 2024.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the meeting minutes for April 12, 2024.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Board of Equalization meeting for April 12, 2024.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Special meeting minutes for May 1, 2024.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Auditor’s Account with the Treasurer for March 2024 as follows:

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 31st day of March 2024.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS: \$ 245,577.70

Total Amount of Cash: \$ 1,700.88

Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days: \$ 1,394.30

FIRST INTERSTATE SAVINGS

First Interstate, HS: \$ 2,907,830.40

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:

Schwab 2 year \$ 2,119,100.16

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

Election Petty Cash: \$ 15.00

RETURNED CHECKS:

Deaton, Tyler \$ 110.10

TOTAL \$ 5,275,728.54

Dated This 31st Day of March 2024.

/S/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, County
Auditor of Oglala
Lakota County

/S/ Teresa Pullen

Teresa Pullen, County
Treasurer
of Oglala Lakota County

County Monies \$ 5,178,385.27
Held for other Entities \$ 39,153.42
Held in Trust \$ 58,189.85
TOTAL \$ 5,275,728.54

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.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Auditor's Account with the Treasurer for April 2024 as follows:

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 2024.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS: \$ 515,883.36

Total Amount of Cash: \$ 79.13

Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days: \$ 90,432.58

FIRST INTERSTATE SAVINGS

First Interstate, HS: \$ 2,729,596.60

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:

Schwab 2 year \$ 2,119,906.20

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

Election Petty Cash: \$ 15.00

RETURNED CHECKS:

Deaton, Tyler \$ 110.10

TOTAL \$ 5,456,022.97

Dated This 30th Day of April 2024.

/S/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, County
Auditor of Oglala
Lakota County

/S/ Teresa Pullen

Teresa Pullen, County
Treasurer
of Oglala Lakota County

County Monies	\$ 5,269,014.17
Held for other Entities	\$ 138,499.05
Held in Trust	\$ 48,509.75
TOTAL	\$ 5,456,022.97

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.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve travel, to include hotel and mileage, for Wendell Yellow Bull as BHACC President to attend the meeting on May 10, 2024.

Wendell Yellow Bull joined the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the following plat, submitted by Andersen Engineers:

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY RESOLUTION #2024-08

Lot 9 of Loafer Camp Subdivision and Donkee Tract, located in the SW1/4 of Section 5, T35N, R45W, 6th PM, Oglala Lakota County, South Dakota

Containing a portion of the SW1/4 less Potters Tract and Lots 1 thru 8 of Loafer Camp Subdivision

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the County Commissioners of Oglala Lakota County, South Dakota, the within plat of the above described lands, and it appearing to this Board that the system of streets conforms to the system of streets of existing plats and section lines of the county; adequate

provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or section line when physically accessible; all provisions of the county subdivision regulations have been complied with; all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid; and the plat and survey have been lawfully executed; now and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that said plat is hereby approved in all respects.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2024.

/S/ Allyssa Comer
Allyssa Comer, Chairwoman
Oglala Lakota County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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

Bernardo Rodriguez, Jr, Sheriff, met with the Board.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Yellow Bull, to approve hiring Mark Mesteth as a full-time Deputy Sheriff at \$19.60/hr, effective May 13, 2024.

Rodriguez presented wages from Fall River County, OST DPS, and more for comparison with the current wages for Sheriff and Deputies.

Valeria Big Eagle, Executive Director of FR1INDS of the CHILDREN He Sapa, joined the meeting via telephone at 1:36 p.m.

TJ Plume, Alpha One Fire Department, joined the meeting via telephone at 1:46 p.m.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Hopkins, to approve increasing the starting wage for Deputy Sheriff to \$25.00/hr and for the Sheriff to go from \$44,492.00/yr to \$56,160.00/yr.

Lynx Bettelyoun, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board and presented his monthly report. He provided information regarding the new piece of equipment that pulls gravel back up from the side of the road. He let the Board know that Butler came out to look at the '96 Grader to get an idea of what they would allow for a trade-in on the '97 140H Grader. He also gave updates regarding his work on trying to find a new location to build the Highway Shop.

Teresa Pullen, Treasurer, met with the Board to present information regarding the property that was a potential area to locate the new building. Hopkins asked if there was anything available near Pine Ridge, however, Bettelyoun wants to try to keep the location in the SE part of the County due to the majority of the County roads being in that area. She is going to continue to try to find available property. Property tax payments were discussed. Pullen plans on presenting various individuals and their efforts to pay at the next meeting.

Jerlene Arrendondo, Veteran Service Officer, met with the Board to submit her monthly report and provide updates.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to accept and place on file the Veteran Service Officer report.

Arredondo asked how the Board would prefer her to prove when she goes out to do outreach. After discussion, it was recommended that she get signatures from the staff of the places that she visits. She requested reimbursement for her travel to Rapid City for the mini-conference and also to her outreach areas for the month of April. She then asked for reimbursement for printer ink. She will submit vouchers to the Auditor’s office. Bear Runner asked Arredondo to request some travel reimbursement from Jackson County if she is traveling into their county. She will talk with them before actually traveling there. The Board also asked Arredondo to inquire with the Tribe as to who the County is supposed to make checks out to for the office space. She will bring something back to the next meeting.

Valeria Big Eagle, Executive Director of FRIENDS of the CHILDREN He Sapa, left the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Sue Ganje, Auditor, presented the March 31, 2024 General Fund Surplus Analysis for review. The board made designations as needed, including an increase to the previous amount on the Sheriff vehicles, and increased amounts for a new county building as follows:

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY			
GENERAL FUND SURPLUS ANALYSIS			
DATE: MARCH 31, 2024			
The amount of General Fund dollars that counties can retain as surplus is			
restricted by SDCL 7-21-18.1 which states: "The total unreserved,			
undesignated fund balance of the general fund may not exceed forty percent			
of the total amount of all general fund appropriations contained in the budget			
for the next fiscal year. The total unreserved, undesignated fund balance of			
the general fund of the county as of March thirty-first and September thirtieth			
shall be published in the minutes of the proceedings of the board of county			
commissioners and reported to the Department of Legislative Audit. The			
report shall be on forms prescribed by the Department of Legislative Audit."			
The following analysis should be completed as of March thirty-first and December			
thirty-first of each year. Thereafter, the unreserved, undesignated fund balance amount			
should be published in the minutes of the governing board. This analysis should also			
be filed with the Department of Legislative Audit.			
ASSETS:			
10100	Cash		2,479,274.02
10800	Taxes Receivable--Current		64,860.43
11000	Taxes Receivable--Delinquent		281,440.19
TOTAL ASSETS			2,825,574.64

GENERAL FUND SURPLUS ANALYSIS				
	LIABILITIES AND EQUITY:			
	22400	Deferred Revenue	216,579.76	
	FUND BALANCES:			
		New County Building	2,001,000.00	
		2 Sheriff Vehicles 2024	160,000.00	
		Committed (list)		
		Assigned (one of the following)		
		March - 3/4 of the current year	135,305.25	
	27500	December - Subsequent year		
	27600	Unassigned	312,689.63	
	27700		2,825,574.64	
	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	(use current year for March analysis)	781,710.00	
	Following Year's General Fund Budget			
		divided by the following year's General Fund budget		
		resulting in the fund balance percentage	40.00%	

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the March 31, 2024 Surplus Analysis.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to rescind the Oglala Lakota County Resolution #2023-07, with the remaining \$15,000.00 to go to the General Fund Unrestricted Balance.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the quote for processing payroll from Software Services and agree to pay 18% of the total amount.

Hopkins would like Ganje to research possibly changing pay day to the 4th Wednesday of each month.

TJ Plume, Alpha One Fire Department, met with the Board to request funding as per SDCL 7-8-20.13. He reported that they are trying to get certified by the State Fire Marshall. They are still operating as a non-profit organization. Chairwoman Comer commented that they need to get their Certification and get their affairs in order before the County can even think about providing any funding.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins to deny the request from Alpha One Fire Department.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve paying the bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND		
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	REIMBURSEMENT/TRAVEL	\$136.12
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	MEETING MILEAGE	\$72.42
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SHERI	\$227.31
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$66.30
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	MILEAGE	\$66.30
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	MILEAGE/VOID	-\$66.30
CENTURY BUSINESS	COPIER LEASE/METER	\$194.83
CLINICAL LABORATORY OF	AUTOPSY	\$1,675.00
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	MEETING MILEAGE	\$51.00
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFT	ELECTION SOFTWARE SE	\$2,577.96
GOLDEN WEST	LOCAL PHONE/EMAIL/IN	\$204.24
GOLDEN WEST	PHONE/INTERNET	\$211.31
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$108.12
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MEETING MILEAGE	\$108.12
HOT SPRINGS ACE	SUPPLY	\$17.98
LAKOTA TIMES	PUBLICATION	\$377.40
THE LODGE AT DEADWOOD	HOTEL	\$420.00
LIBERTY CHRYSLER CENTER	EQUIPMENT/2024 DURAN	\$50,740.00
LYNN'S DAKOTA MART	MEETING SNACKS/WATER	\$40.85
MASTEL, BRUCE	WEB HOST/UPDATE/SERV	\$35.00
MCLEOD'S OFFICE SUPPLY	SUPPLY	\$104.28
MINNEHAHA COUNTY AUDITOR	MI EVALUATION/VOID	-\$336.76
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE	\$259.82
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	INMATE HOUSING	\$760.00
PENNINGTON COUNTY	MENTAL ILLNESS/VOID	-\$54.00
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	LIFE INSURANCE	\$48.00
SD ASSN OF COUNTY COMM.	CATASTROPHIC LEGAL P	\$56.00
SD ASSN OF CO OFFICIALS	SD ASS OF COUNTY OFF	\$350.00
SD ASSN OF CO OFFICIALS	2024 DEPUTY WORKSHOP	\$100.00
SD SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	2024 MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$910.16
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	AUTO/MI STATE REMITT	\$120.00
STURGIS RESPONDER SUPPLY	SUPPLY	\$196.97
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	SUBSCRIPTION	\$155.40
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$66.30
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MEETING MILEAGE	\$66.30
COMER, ALLYSSA	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$74.46
COMER, ALLYSSA	MEETING MILEAGE	\$74.46
COMER, ALLYSSA	MILEAGE/VOID	-\$74.46
COMMISSION	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$2,879.62
ST ATTY	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$568.24
VET'S	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$3,769.65

SHERIFF	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$4,310.18
CORONER	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$980.41
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$72,648.99
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE		
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SHERI	\$94.41
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	SUPPLY	\$96.92
CULLIGAN	UTILITY/WATER DISPENS	\$20.85
CULLIGAN	UTILITY	\$13.90
BUCHE HARDWARE & LUMBER	SUPPLIES	\$624.97
GRAHEK TECHNOLOGY	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$75.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIO	LOCAL PHONE & INTERN	\$221.56
HUSKER AUTO PARTS	SUPPLY/INVENTORY	\$5,756.62
LACREEK ELECTRIC ASSOC	UTILITY/ELECTRIC	\$427.24
LACREEK ELECTRIC ASSOC	UTILITY/ELECTRIC	\$357.41
THE LODGE AT DEADWOOD	HOTEL	\$210.00
MARTIN AUTO PARTS	PARTS/SUPPLY	\$132.99
MCI COMM SERVICE	LONG DISTANCE	\$53.64
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	LIFE INSURANCE	\$140.75
CRBR ADMIN	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$20,813.61
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	\$29,039.87
	TOTAL FOR BILLS PAID BETWEEN 04/09 & 05/13/2024	\$101,688.86

No public comments were heard.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

/s/Allyssa Comer
Allyssa Comer, Chairwoman
Board of Oglala Lakota County Commissioners

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