

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF OCTOBER 11, 2024

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on October 11, 2024. Present: Allyssa Comer, Art Hopkins, Wendell Yellow Bull and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Wendell Yellow Bull and Ramon Bear Runner was present via telephone. Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray) was absent

The meeting was called to order at 1:27 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 Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the agenda adding the words “Board of Directors” to the Alpha One time slot.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Yellow Bull, to approve the meeting minutes for September 9, 2024 and the Special meeting minutes from September 16, 2024.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Auditor’s Account with the Treasurer for August 2024 and September 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 August 2024.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS: \$ 535,263.66

Total Amount of Cash: \$ 813.70

Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days: \$ 131.40

FIRST INTERSTATE SAVINGS
First Interstate, HS: \$ 3,078,930.75

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:
Schwab 2 year \$ 2,123,081.35

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 \$ 5,738,345.96

Dated This 31st Day of July 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	\$ 5,625,064.08
Held for other Entities	\$ 9,375.76
Held in Trust	\$ 103,906.12
TOTAL	\$ 5,738,345.96

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.

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 September 2024.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS: \$ 421,572.67

Total Amount of Cash: \$ 502.30

Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days: \$ 70.00

FIRST INTERSTATE SAVINGS

First Interstate, HS: \$ 3,185,350.53

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:

Schwab 2 year \$ 2,123,888.90

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 \$ 5,731,509.50

Dated This 30th Day of September 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	\$ 5,623,227.12
Held for other Entities	\$ 14,843.44
Held in Trust	\$ 93,438.94
TOTAL	\$ 5,731,509.50

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 Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to set a Supplement and Contingency Hearing for November 8, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to deny the request during the meeting on September 9, 2024 from Brian Cuny for tax abatement as no motion was made during the meeting.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to reschedule the November meeting for November 8, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. to complete the General Election Canvass.

Gary Baker, Assistant Emergency Manager, met with the Board.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the FEMA OST/OLC Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution and authorize the Chairwoman to sign as follows:

Oglala Lakota County Resolution #2024-09

Adoption of Oglala Sioux Tribe and Oglala Lakota County 2024 Hazard Mitigation Plan

Whereas, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed into law on October 20, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

Whereas, Oglala Lakota County recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within our community and identifying the hazards that affect the County and prioritize mitigation strategies and undertaking hazard mitigation actions will reduce the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

Whereas, Oglala Lakota County resides within the Planning Area and fully participated in the mitigation planning process to prepare this Hazard Mitigation Plan and the South Dakota Department of Public Safety's Office of Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region VIII

officials have reviewed the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Oglala Lakota County Hazard Mitigation Plan and approved it contingent upon this official adoption of the participating governing body; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, the Oglala Lakota County Commission hereby adopts the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Oglala Lakota County Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan; and

Be it further resolved, Oglala Lakota County Emergency Management will submit this Adoption Resolution to the South Dakota Department of Public Safety's Office of Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency Region VIII officials to enable the Plan's final approval.

Passed and Approved this 11th day of October 2024.

/S/ Allyssa Comer
Allyssa Comer, Chairwoman
Oglala Lakota County Commission

ATTEST:

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

Highway Department reports were reviewed.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Sheriff Department fuel transfers to reimburse the Highway Department for 79.9 gallons of fuel at \$3.2475 to equal \$259.48.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Sheriff Department fuel transfers to reimburse the Highway Department of 41.8 gallons of fuel at \$3.2475 to equal \$135.75.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the State of South Dakota Joint Powers Financial and Maintenance Agreement between the Department of Transportation and Oglala Lakota County and authorize the Chairwoman to sign.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to accept the Highway Department's monthly report.

Mark Mesteth, Sheriff, met with the Board. He requested that the County provide health insurance for any employees wishing to have it. He then provided an update regarding the MOU that he is trying to get with the OST Public Safety for jurisdictional cooperation and an MOU with the OST Court System so he can run background checks through their system as well as the State system when looking at information for individuals applying for Concealed Carry Permits. He would like to purchase new ignition switches for the 2 County owned side by side UTVs as there has been attempted, but no successful contact with former Sheriff Herman to see if he may still have possession of the keys. Lastly, he relayed to the Board that Bernardo Rodriguez would like to work as a part-time Deputy Sheriff to obtain his certification. He is willing to volunteer. At this time, there is not a need for this. Mesteth will let the Board know if an uptick of calls warrants revisiting this.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to purchase new ignition systems in the amount of approximately \$120.00.

The Auditor will reach out to Risty benefits for information on obtaining health insurance for Oglala Lakota County employees.

Mesteth also provided updates regarding community outreach with an emphasis on County schools. He will be attending all sporting events for public safety.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins to accept the Sheriff Department's monthly report.

Jerlene Arredondo, Veteran Service Officer, met with the Board. She provided an old version of her report. She will get a new one typed up and sent to the Auditor's Office in a more detailed format. Arredondo then reported on the VSO Conference that she attended and VA Stand Down in Rapid City on September 19, 2024 in Rapid City.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve moving the location of the County VSO from the Veterans' Shelter to the Veterans' Center Trailer. Arredondo will talk to the person in charge of the rental agreement and ask them to send an email with the agreement and amount.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to accept the VSO monthly report and place it on file.

Arredondo then let the Board know that Senator Rounds' Representative will be in Kyle to discuss Veteran Affairs, a PSA was sent out.

Dean Steele was not available via telephone to discuss his request to the next meeting.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to move the request for ag status to include possible refund and/or abatement, to the next meeting.

TJ Plume and Vanessa Plume, Alpha One Fire & Rescue Board Members, met with the Board via telephone with a request of \$25,150.00 to aid in their fund-raising efforts. They were also inquiring about County paid Workman's Compensation Insurance Coverage.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded Hopkins, to revisit the requests at a future meeting with Alpha One Fire & Rescue in attendance in person.

Sue Ganje, Auditor, met with the Board to provide them with a listing of what the Opioid Monies can be used for under the requirements of the grant received and asked them to review them for the next meeting. Ganje then updated the Board that the County will be allocated \$372.59 to supplement Indigent Defense brought about by HB 1057.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to have State's Attorney Russell draft a letter that Oglala Lakota County strongly recommends that there be at least 2 indigent individuals be part of the committees that works on House Bills that benefit County paid costs due to State Laws that require them, ie. HB 1057.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve Oglala Lakota County Resolution #2024-10 as follows:

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY RESOLUTION #2024-10

WHEREAS, Oglala Lakota County follows rates set by the State of South Dakota for mileage, meals and lodging; and

WHEREAS, new rates have been set as follows:

Mileage: \$0.655 per mile; \$0.295 per mile if a fleet vehicle is available but the full-time employee opts to use a private vehicle;

In-state meal rates of:

\$6.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 a.m. and returns after 7:59 a.m.;
\$14.00 if the employee leaves before 11:30 a.m. and returns after 12:59 p.m.;
\$20.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 p.m. and returns after 7:59 p.m.;
\$40.00 Total

Out-of-state meal rates of:

\$10.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 a.m. and returns after 7:59 a.m.;
\$18.00 if the employee leaves before 11:30 a.m. and returns after 12:59 p.m.;
\$28.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 p.m. and returns after 7:59 p.m.;
\$56.00 Total

Lodging In-state:

Up to \$169.00 plus tax a day from check-in

Lodging Out-of-state:

\$175.00 plus tax

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the above rates are effective July 1, 2024.

Passed and approved this 11th day of October, 2024.

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

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve Oglala Lakota County Resolution #2024-11 as follows:

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY RESOLUTION #2024-11

WHEREAS, Oglala Lakota County follows rates set by the State of South Dakota for mileage, meals and lodging; and

WHEREAS, new rates have been set as follows:

Mileage: \$0.67 per mile; \$0.302 per mile if a fleet vehicle is available but the full-time employee opts to use a private vehicle;

In-state meal rates of:

- \$6.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 a.m. and returns after 7:59 a.m.;
- \$14.00 if the employee leaves before 11:30 a.m. and returns after 12:59 p.m.;
- \$20.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 p.m. and returns after 7:59 p.m.;
- \$40.00 Total

Out-of-state meal rates of:

- \$10.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 a.m. and returns after 7:59 a.m.;
- \$18.00 if the employee leaves before 11:30 a.m. and returns after 12:59 p.m.;
- \$28.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 p.m. and returns after 7:59 p.m.;
- \$56.00 Total

Lodging In-state:

Up to \$169.00 plus tax a day from check-in

Lodging Out-of-state:

\$175.00 plus tax

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the above rates are effective October 1, 2024.

Passed and approved this 11th day of October, 2024.

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

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje
 Sue Ganje
 Fall River County Auditor

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

GENERAL FUND		
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$102.84
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	MEETING MILEAGE	\$67.00
AT&T MOBILITY	PHONE/HWY/SHER/VSO	\$535.22
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SHERIFF	\$350.14
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	MILEAGE	\$87.10
BLACK HILLS SPEC. SERVICE	INDIGENOUS HEALTH SUMMIT	\$30.00
BLACK BULL, DAYLON	REIMBURSEMENT	\$60.00
CENTURY BUSINESS	COPIER LEASE/METER	\$173.27
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	SDACO/ADVANCED TRAVEL	\$208.55
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	MEETING MILEAGE	\$67.00
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFT	ELECTION SYSTEMS AND	\$3,230.95
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$1,699.00
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	SDACO/ADVANCED TRAVEL	\$224.80

HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	ADVANCED TRAVEL/REIM	\$284.68
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MEETING MILEAGE	\$142.04
LAKOTA TIMES	PUBLICATION	\$612.00
LYNN'S DAKOTA MART	MEETING SNACKS/WATER	\$24.98
MASTEL, BRUCE	WEB HOST/UPDATE/SERV	\$35.00
MASTERCARD	COUNTY CREDIT CARD	\$935.76
MESTETH, MARK	REIMBURSEMENT	\$100.00
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE	\$349.83
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	INMATE HOUSING	\$190.00
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	LIFE INSURANCE	\$46.00
SAFETY BENEFITS, INC.	SAFETY BENEFITS REGIS	\$75.00
SD SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	24 FALL SD SHER & DEPUTY	\$190.00
SONTECH VEHICLE TECH	EQUIPMENT/PARTS	\$20,701.60
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	AUTO/MI STATE REMITT	\$120.00
SIGNS NOW	VEHICLE ACCESSORIES	\$895.45
STEELE, DANIELLE	LOST CHECK REIMBURSE	\$41.00
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	SUBSCRIPTION	\$163.17
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	SDACO/ADVANCED TRAVEL	\$247.33
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	ADVANCED TRAVEL/REIM	\$339.70
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MEETING MILEAGE	\$87.10
COMER, ALLYSSA	SDACO/ADVANCED TRAVEL	\$201.48
COMER, ALLYSSA	ADVANCED TRAVEL/REIM	\$304.86
COMER, ALLYSSA	MEETING MILEAGE	\$97.82
COMMISSION	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$2,917.30
ELECTION	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$1,179.30
ST ATTY	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$568.26
VET'S	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$3,769.67
SHERIFF	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$5,643.72
CORONER	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$846.44
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$47,945.36
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE		
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIO	LOCAL PHONE & INTERN	\$221.96
GREAT WESTERN TIRE INC.	TIRES	\$2,834.63
LACREEK ELECTRIC ASSOC	UTILITY/ELECTRIC	\$270.32
MCI COMM SERVICE	LONG DISTANCE	\$54.24
MODERN FARM EQUIPMENT CO.	EQUIPMENT	\$399.41
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	LIFE INSURANCE	\$144.50
SAFETY BENEFITS, INC.	SAFETY BENEFITS REGIST	\$75.00
SCOTTS MANUFACTURERS	PARTS	\$111.36
CRBR ADMIN	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$20,909.51
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	\$25,020.93
M&P FUND		
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	SCANNING EQUIP LEASE	\$75.00
	TOTAL FOR M&P FUND	\$75.00

TOTAL FOR BILLS PAID BETWEEN 09-10 & 10-11-2024
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\$73,041.29

Comer declared that the Board go into Executive Session at 3:04 p.m.

Comer declared that the Board be out of Executive Session at 3:11 p.m.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to adjourn the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

/s/Allyssa Comer_____

Allyssa Comer, Chairwoman

Board of Oglala Lakota County Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje

Oglala Lakota County Auditor