THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS was brought to order by Chairman Jim Schmidt, at 8:30 a.m. on May 14, 2019 with Commissioners Michael Poppens, David Gillespie, Tiffani Landeen, and Joel Arends present. Deputy Auditor Celeste Saylor served as Clerk of the Board. Chief Civil Deputy State’s Attorney Michael Nadolski was also present.

ROUTINE BUSINESS:
Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney Michael Nadolski advised the board of an emergency situation that needs to be addressed with the closure of Newton Hills Road, Lincoln County Highway 135. Nadolski requested the Agenda be amended to discuss and make a decision on this matter.


CLAIMS:
GENERAL FUND: Sioux Falls Bail, Bail Forfeture $750.00; Sunshine Foods, Beverages/Chips For Ad Hoc Mtg $32.92; Independent Publishing LLC, Mins/Notices/Propane/Refill/Bill $1,423.58; Sioux Valley News Inc, Minutes-3/12-4/2/Notices $603.93; The Garden Of Eat'n, Board of Equalization Meal $35.00; Schmidt, Jim, Meal-Southeastern Mtg $138.25; Subway, Sandwich Platters-Ad Hoc M $80.00; A & B Pure Water Online Corp, Water/Coffee $584.26; Bwr, Project # 3.2019007.00 $2,650.81; Amee Central, Voting Booths With Light $4,196.00; Heimdal, Marie Ann, Transcript $60.80; Fribberg Nelson & Ask LLP, Crt Appt Atty/MI Board $2,181.60; Carper, Nichole, Crt Appt Atty $730.50; Peterson, Stuart & Klenz, Prof, Pub Defender Cont-Apr/Mileage $56,220.07; Frantzen Reporting/Pgrgr Inc, Grand Jury/Transcripts $184.00; Beck Law, Crt Appt Atty $330.00; Strange, Farrell, Johnson & Bre, Crt Appt Atty-A&N $115.35; Griese Law Firm, PC, Serve Subpoena $63.90; Harris Law, Prof LLC, Crt Appt Atty $416.10; Century Business Products, Copier Maint $1,071.20; Mideo, Internet/Data Svcs-Hrsbg $989.19; US Bank, Folders/Tape/Rubber Bands/Envelopes $150.65; Meleod's Printing, Scrissors/Calc Rib/Tape/Unfrm Tctks $326.59; Quill, Bttrs/Glue/Wipe/Ataglnc Eras $131.15; US Bank, Shredder, $152.00; Interstate Office Products, Supplies-Office/Supplier Mounts, $4,569.84; Sd State Treasurer, Blood Draws/Mentally Ill $4,187.30; Thomson Reuters PC, Website Hosting/Data Svc $329.00; Sanford Health, Prisoner Care $313.57; Midco, Internet/Data Svc $329.00; Transunion Risk & Alternative, Search Engine $50.00; Swenson, Steven, Travel #2 $1,250.00; Minnehaha Co Regional Jdc, Chld Cre/Comm Cre/Boarding Fees $2,500.00; Minnehaha Co Human Services, Monthly Poor Relief-May $6,302.70; Sioux Falls Property Management, County Assistance $500.00; Sanford Health Home (Vna), Public Hlth Svc-Apr $1,250.00; Minnehaha Co Auditor, MI Investigators-April $1,452.98; Yankton Co Sheriff's Office, MI Serve Papers $100.00; Nadolski, Michael, Mileage-MI Hearing $50.00; Yankton Co Treasurer, MI Hearing $91.50; Kennedy Pier & Knoff LLP, MI Crt.
HIGHWAYS: A-Ox Welding Supply Inc, Hazardous/Tariff Charges $446.70; Biersbach Equipment, Joint Sealant $9,655.20; Concrete Materials, Asphalt, Upm High Performa $5,904.49; Century Business Products, Copier Maint-Hwy $84.08; Diesel Machinery Inc, Repairs-# Br-62 $677.14; Midamerican Energy Co, Monthly Gas Usage-Hwy $901.76; Sturdevant's Auto Parts, Repairs-#101,102,16,15,100 $353.73; Lawson Products Inc, Screws/Nuts/Washer/Clamps $811.15; Stan Houston Equip, Repairs-#103 $40.40; Northern Truck Equip Co, Crysteel Dump Body $175,220.00; Wheelco Truck & Trailer Parts, Repairs-# Lb04 $18.14; Truenorth Steel, Material- Hwy 124 $1,098.84; Butler Machinery Co, Repairs-#33, 41, 23 $1,981.66; Jfi Inc, Road Salt/Propane $2,070.53; Sd Div Of Motor Vehicle, Title Transfer-Pu 103 $21.20; South Lincoln Rural Water, Water-Hwy $266.20; Ace Towing Inc, Tow Snow Plow # 27 $462.50; Brock Construction Mat, Detack Crafclo/Router Bit $2,190.00; Southeastern Electric Co-Op Inc, Electricity-Hwy $2,142.28; Xcel Energy, Electricity-Hwy $85.52; Midco, Internet $16.44; Clark Engineering Corp, Project Costs $10,278.76; Grainger, Steel Shelves $164.68; Dave's Service & Repair, Diesel $154.38; Avera Occupation Med-Mitchell, Drug Screen/Mileage/Wait T $131.55; Micheal's Purple Petunia, Pump Out Holding Tanks $280.00; US Bank, Fuel $690.34; Nolz Dragline & Construct Inc, Project #X17034,X17033,X16 $34,219.93; A & B Pure Water Online Corp, Water/Coffee $15.64; Cole's Petroleum Inc, Fuel $16,561.97; The Lodge At Deadwood, Travel-Lodging $279.00; Novak Sanitary Svc Corp, Garbage/Recycling-Hwy $155.25; Canton Home & Farm Supply, Repairs/Supplies-$101,102 $331.27; North Central Rental & Leasing, Wheeled Loader $20,097.67; Bomgaars, Pipe Plugs/Couplers/Nipple $26.68; Napa Auto & Truck Parts Of Sf, Repairs/Supplies $3,606.26; Vast Broadband, Internet/Video-Hwy $447.52; Dakota Contracting Corporation, Project #X18041 $98,005.14; Transource, Repairs-# 111, 20, 28, $1,947.50; Prairie Wind Trailers, Truck Bed Installation $5,645.00; Inland Truck Parts & Service, Repairs-#11,28,27,29 $31.44; Voodoo Graphics, Decals-# 101, 102, 103 $90.00

911: Midco, Internet $32.92; A & B Pure Water Online Corp, Water $29.95
EMS: The Fillin' Station, Herculez Power $386.52; Verizon Wireless, Mobile Internet/Drone Ipad $63.95; Midco, Internet $16.45; US Bank, Thumb Drives $53.98
SOLID WASTE: City Of Sf Public Works, Tipping Fees $15,851.81; South Lincoln Rural Water, Water-Transfer Station $51.20; Southeastern Electric Co-Op Inc, Electricity $310.83; Countryside Convenience, Fuel $168.70; Chs Eastern Farmers, Fuel $475.88; AT&T Mobility, Mobile Internet $43.44; Napa Auto & Truck Parts Of Sf, Repairs/Supplies $232.00; Vast Broadband, Transfer Station $52.58; Lennox Ace Hardware, Hose/Bulbs $35.98
AIRPORT: Southeastern Electric Co-Op Inc, Electricity $322.05; Legacy Aviation LLC Corp, Airport Mgmt Fee $5,166.66
24/7: US Bank, Shredder $68.50; Pharm Chem Inc, Sweat Patch Analysis $770.85; Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Panel 5 Kits $645.00; Dash, Supplies-Exam Gloves $61.90
MODERN/PRESERV: Century Business Products, Copier Maint-Rod $35.13; Mcleod's Printing, Supplies-Repair Sheets $175.51; Tyler Technologies Inc, Document Pro Contract $910.00
DEBT SERVICE-COURTHOUSE: First National Bank In Sf, Interest Bond Issue 11013 $39,786.25
DEBT SERVICE-HWY BLDG: First National Bank In Sf, Interest Bond Issue 11148 $87,001.88
LAW LIBRARY: Lexisnexis/Relx Inc, Law Library $280.00

REPORTS:
Mileage reports were presented for the Transfer Station for the months of March and April 2019 and for Sheriff Civil Fees for the months of February, March, and April 2019.

Lincoln County Clerk of Courts Disbursement of Fees for the month of April 2019 was presented as follows: County Cost $3,873.35, State Fines $24,628.46, Cash Fees $2,767.00, Divorce Fees $650.00, Law Library $487.00, Petty Offenses $925.00, Court Appointed Attorney Fees $14,876.51, State Penalties $123.86, Domestic Abuse Surcharge $46.00, DUI Cost $879.15.

CONSENT AGENDA:


PUBLIC COMMENT:
Emergency Management Director Harold Timmerman made the Commission aware of an issue with the Lake Alvin dam. Right now it is holding, but repairs cannot be made while things are so wet. Commissioner Schmidt reported on the meeting he set up with Southeast District Chairs and Planning & Zoning directors regarding the GOED ag development taxes now available. Schmidt also mentioned the upcoming trip to tour the Pennington County Jail and Care Center.

REGULAR BUSINESS:
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Jared Narum, Operations Supervisor for the Highway Department, explained the situation with the closure of Highway 135 a/k/a Newton Hills Road. There have been long-standing issues with this stretch of road and patches have been done repeatedly. With the amount of moisture the last few years, the situation has become critical, with a portion of the hill sliding away from the road. AET is able to come today if the Commission approves taking core samples.


COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Chief Civil Deputy State’s Attorney Michael Nadolski advised no bids were received for the Courthouse caulking project and recommended re-advertising for bids.


COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Karla Goossen, Director of Equalization, presented several abatements for approval.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Application for Abatement for Parcel No. 240.48.00.001 for Tea Development LLC in the amount of $341.29 due to City of Tea automatically took the area when platted. MOTION by Landeen and seconded by Poppens. Arends “Aye” Gillespie: “Aye” Landeen: “Aye” Poppens “Aye” Schmidt: “Aye”. Motion carried.


Commissioner Poppens left the meeting at 8:52 a.m.

Commissioner Poppens returned to the meeting at 8:56 a.m.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Commissioner Gillespie brought up the County’s surplus vehicles. He stated there is an auction that is held in September in Sioux Falls, but wondered whether the Board preferred to take sealed bids instead of waiting for that. A couple people have expressed interest in the vehicles. Jared Narum mentioned the Highway Department will have a couple of pickups to surplus in the next couple weeks too.


COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Julia Disburg, Human Resources Director, revisited the Compensation Study and answered several questions that have come up. She identified three options to move forward with implementation of the study results. The first would actually be to keep the current system in place. The second would use the recommended wage adjustment “as is” and not used aged data. The third would be an “all in” option and age the data by 2% plus have a matrix adjustment of 2.5%. All employees would still be eligible for the 2.5% performance increase as well. Discussion was held regarding the step adjustments (“compression”) and Disburg explained how earning potential would increase with this system. Disburg also reiterated that this would implemented beginning in 2020 and be considered as part of the Budget 2020 process. Commissioner Poppens expressed interest in Disburg meeting with all Department Heads to get each department’s input. He also would like to try to gather some information about next year’s health care costs before committing to a final decision. Commissioner Arends suggested looking into a group-share insurance program with other counties in South Dakota to perhaps get better rates for a larger group. Commissioner Landeen pointed out the challenge of working on a Budget without a decision being made. Commissioner Arends suggested Department Heads could work out a Budget with three options. An employee in attendance questioned whether the leave portion of the study would be discussed further. The possibility of a sick time pay out was brought up. Commissioner Arends questioned whether a PTO option has been researched to get away from the vacation v. sick time program. Disburg said several conversations have been held over the last couple years, but the Commission ultimately decided not to move forward with transitioning to PTO. Arends requested cost comparisons of the two programs. Further discussion on the compensation and leave study will continue at the next meeting.


Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

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Jim Schmidt, Lincoln County Chairman

Attest: __________________________
Celeste Saylor, Deputy Auditor

Approved __________________________

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