

**COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS  
JANUARY 7, 2020**

Sanborn County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. with P. Larson, S. Larson, Blindauer, Ohlrogge, and Ebersdorfer present. Auditor Larson was also present.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

This being the annual reorganization of the Board of County Commissioners, the county auditor called for nominations for chairman of the board. Blindauer nominated Jeff Ebersdorfer. Motion by Ohlrogge, seconded by S. Larson, that nominations cease. Motion carried. Ebersdorfer will be the chairman. Ebersdorfer called for nominations for vice-chairman. Blindauer nominated Steve Larson. Motion by Ohlrogge, seconded by P. Larson, that nominations cease. Motion carried. Steve Larson will be the vice-chairman. Motion by Ohlrogge, seconded by P. Larson, to accept the minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**STATES ATTORNEY**

Jeff Larson, States Attorney, met with the board to give advice on legal matters.

**HIGHWAY**

Stacy Mendenhall, Highway Foreman, Sheri Kogel, Administrative Assistant, and Ron Gillen, Brosz Engineering, met with the board. After discussion and advice from Gillen it was decided to do some repair work on the township road south of the 4-H Building and to open the road to single lane traffic for now. Major repairs will be made in the future.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:30 A.M., motion by S. Larson, seconded by Blindauer, to go into executive session. All ayes. Motion carried. Ebersdorfer declared an end to executive session at 10:45.

**APPOINTMENTS AND FEES**

Chairman Ebersdorfer made the following appointments: Mental Health and Drug/Alcohol Board, Paul Larson; 4-H Advisory Board, Steve Larson; District III, Ray Ohlrogge; Sanborn Co Rural Development, Jeff Ebersdorfer; County Planner, Penny Farris; Economic Development Board, Ray Ohlrogge; SD Housing Authority Board, Jeff Ebersdorfer; Planning and Zoning, Ray Ohlrogge; and Drainage Board, Gary Blindauer and Paul Larson. It was moved by Blindauer, seconded by Ohlrogge, to approve the appointments. All ayes. Motion carried

It was moved by P. Larson, seconded by S. Larson, to establish a cost of \$2,400.00 for county burial or cremation plus \$.75 per mile within the state. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by S. Larson, seconded by Blindauer, that the following places be designated for holding chattel mortgage sales in Sanborn County for 2020: The front door of the Courthouse, City of Woonsocket; between Block Four and Five, Original Plat, Town of Letcher; and the public street on the north side of the Cortrust Bank, City of Artesian. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Blindauer, seconded by, P. Larson, to designate Cortrust Bank of Artesian, fnbo (Woonsocket), Edward Jones of Mitchell, Dakotaland Federal Credit Union, and SD Public Funds Investment Trust (FIT) as legal depositories and the Sanborn Weekly Journal as the legal newspaper. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Ohlrogge, seconded by Blindauer , to approve expenses for county commissioners, county officials, and county employees to attend all scheduled meetings pertaining to county business for 2020. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by P. Larson, seconded by S. Larson, to pay bills at each regular meeting as needed. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Ohlrogge, seconded by Blindauer, to set mileage and meals at state rates. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by S. Larson, seconded by P. Larson, to set wage of election workers at \$175.00 plus mileage per day and to pay \$35.00 plus mileage for school of instruction, if attended. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by P. Larson, seconded by Ohlrogge, to declare old iron, used bridge planks, old culverts, used tires and old parts as surplus with maximum value of \$1,000.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Blindauer, seconded by S. Larson, to use the state bid list for county purchases. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Larson, seconded by Blindauer, to set the commissioners' salary at \$7,500.00 annually mileage included as part of salary plus insurance. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by P. Larson, seconded by Ohlrogge, to appoint Jason Coenen as the Emergency Management Director. All ayes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Blindauer, seconded by S. Larson, to establish four (4) or less voting precincts. All ayes. Motion carried.

Precincts will be as follows:

- Precinct #1: Afton, Floyd, Benedict, Oneida, Artesian City, Diana, Union, Ravenna - Artesian Community Center
- Precinct #2: Butler, Letcher, Letcher City, Logan, & Elliott - Letcher Community Center
- Precinct #4: Jackson, Twin Lake, Woonsocket Township, Silver Creek Township, Ward 2-Woonsocket Community Center
- Precinct #5: Wards 1 & 3, Warren Township - Woonsocket Community Center

It was moved by P. Larson, seconded by Blindauer, to set board wages for zoning and drainage at \$45.00 per diem plus mileage. All ayes. Motion carried.

By agreement of the board the annual meeting with townships and towns will be on February 18 at 1:30 P.M. in the 4-H Building.

Motion by P. Larson, seconded by Ohlrogge, to set the wage for extra part-time help for the Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Auditor, Sheriff's Office, and Janitor at minimum wage. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Larson, seconded by Blindauer, that the Register of Deeds will submit the money collected in that office each month to the treasurer by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the following month and the sheriff by the 15<sup>th</sup>. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Larson, seconded by Ohlrogge, to pay \$50.00 a month for usage of their personal cell phone for county business to the highway superintendent and the deputy sheriffs. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Larson, seconded by S. Larson, to approve the ambulance roster on file in the auditor’s office. All ayes. Motion carried.

**BRULE COUNTY JAIL**

Auditor Larson presented a prisoner care contract for the year 2020 with Brule County Jail. Sanborn County agrees to pay Brule County \$55.00 per prisoner-day. Motion by S. Larson, seconded by P. Larson, to enter into this contract. All ayes. Motion carried.

**REPORTS & BILLS**

Auditor and Treasurer in all accounts	\$ 3,558,492.34
Register of Deeds	\$ 2,274.50

Motion by P. Larson, seconded by Ohlrogge, to pay the following bill. All ayes. Motion carried.

AT&T Mobility	Wireless	\$ 55.93
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Motion by Blindauer, seconded by S. Larson, to approve a 3% raise for the staff for the year 2020. All ayes. Motion carried. Following are the salaries including the insurance incentive.

Tom Fridley, Sheriff	Annually	\$54,481.80
Jason Coenen, Dep Sheriff	Annually	\$42,209.55
Josh Starzman	Annually	\$37,080.00
Jason Coenen, Emergency Mgmt	Annually	\$6,636.70
Jeff Larson, States Attorney	Annually	\$46,558.09
Elizabeth Hoffman, Clerk	Annually	\$28,918.91
Penny Farris, Dir of Equalization	Annually	\$45,163.60
Karen Krueger, Treasurer	Annually	\$49,477.46
Barb Regynski, Dep Aud & Treas.	Annually	\$36,903.56
Diane Larson, Auditor	Annually	\$48,037.46
Lynn Brueske, Register of Deeds	Annually	\$47,317.46
Tom Carda, Janitor	Annually	\$43,741.69
Steve Larson, Commissioner	Annually	\$7,500.00
Ray Ohlrogge, Commissioner	Annually	\$7,500.00
Gary Blindauer, Commissioner	Annually	\$7,500.00

Paul Larson, Commissioner	Annually	\$7,500.00
Jeff Ebersdorfer, Commissioner	Annually	\$7,500.00
Stacy Mendenhall, Highway Supt	Annually	\$49,132.39
Sheri Kogel, Office Manager	Annually	\$44,827.75
Cheryl Smith, Dep Register of Deeds	Hourly	\$13.39
Jolene Anderson, Secretary	Hourly	\$12.10
Sherryl Rankin, Secretary	Hourly	\$12.10
Perianne Clendenning, Secretary	Hourly	\$12.10
Robert Smith, Highway	Hourly	\$16.74
Brian Pearson, Highway	Hourly	\$21.14
Jim Luthi, Highway	Hourly	\$17.03
Heath Larson, Highway	Hourly	\$15.71
Alan Larson Jr, Highway	Hourly	\$15.71
David Hjelm, Highway	Hourly	\$17.99
James Gorter, Highway	Hourly	\$15.00
Richard D Miller, Highway	Hourly	\$15.00

There being no further business, motion by P. Larson, seconded by S. Larson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 21, 2020.

Diane Larson

Jeff Ebersdorfer

Sanborn County Auditor

Chairman of the Board, Sanborn County