

Charles Mix County
Board of Commissioners
Regular Session – December 12TH, 2019

The Charles Mix County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on December 12th, 2019 at 10:00 am. Chairman – Neil Von Eschen opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order with Vice-Chairman – Nick Stotz, Commissioner - Keith Mushitz and Auditor - Danielle Rolston present.

Agenda:

A motion was made by Stotz and seconded by Mushitz to approve the Agenda with the removal of Matt Maxon, Jess Sondgeroth and Todd Strand from the 11:30 slot; with Clinton Powell to be present by phone. Kelli Pazour and Dave Brown requested to be removed from the 1:00 slot. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the minutes from the November 21st, 2019 regular session. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills:

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the bill for 11/22/2019. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the bills for 12/5/2019. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the bills for 12/12/2019. All in favor, motion carried.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Stotz and seconded by Mushitz to enter into executive session at 10:04 am to discuss personnel with Auditor-Rolston present. An end was declared to executive session at 10:10 am with no action taken.

2020 County Levy:

Auditor – Rolston presented a correction to the 2020 County levy of 3.204 that was approved and adopted at the 9/19/2019 meeting. The County levy for 2020 should be 3.197 due to a correction in values. A motion was made by Stotz and seconded by Mushitz to approve the amendment of Resolution 2019-04 for Charles Mix County 2020 Budget as presented with the adjustment of the County levy to 3.197. All in favor, motion carried.

**AMENDED
RESOLUTION 2019-04**

ANNUAL BUDGET FOR CHARLES MIX COUNTY, SD
FOR THE YEAR JANUARY 1, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2020

COUNTY TAX LEVIES	TAX LEVY IN DOLLARS	\$'S / 1,000
GENERAL COUNTY PURPOSES (10-12-9)	\$4,448,440.00	3.197

**AMENDED
RESOLUTION 2019-04**

ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET FOR
CHARLES MIX COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS, (7-21-5 thru 13), SDCL provides that the Board of County Commissioners shall each year prepare a Provisional Budget of all contemplated expenditures and revenues of the County and all its institutions and agencies for such fiscal year and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners did prepare a Provisional Budget and cause same to be published by law, and

WHEREAS, due and legal notice has been given to the meeting of Board of County Commissioners for the consideration of such Provisional Budget and all changes, elimination's and additions have been made thereto.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That such provisional budget as amended and all its purposes, schedules, appropriations, amounts, estimates and all matters therein set forth, SHALL BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED AS THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES FOR Charles Mix County, South Dakota and all its institutions and agencies for calendar year beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020 and the same is hereby approved and adopted is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the county auditor Charles Mix, South Dakota. The accompanying taxes are levied by Charles Mix County for the year January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES MIX, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Neil Von Eschen, Chairman

Nick Stotz Vice-Chairman

Keith Mushitz, Commissioner

Director of Equalization:

DOE – Denise Weber was present to discuss a 5 year tax freeze request from Austin Weber. This process would include a resolution that states ag land values could fluctuate from year to year but taxes would stay the same per SDCL 10-6-31.4 & SDCL 10-6-31.5. States Attorney – Steve Cotton to be contacted to draft a resolution for the Commission to review at the December 19th meeting.

Discussion was held regarding campgrounds and the County Building Permit Ordinance 2015. Enforcement of said ordinance to be discussed further with States Attorney – Cotton. No further action taken.

Weber informed the Commission that employee Jacquelyn Deurmier passed her field appraiser test. A motion was made by Stotz and seconded by Mushitz to approve a 0.35 per hour certification raise starting December 5th, 2019. All in favor, motion carried.

A Notice of Appeal was brought to the Commission from the SD Attorney General's Office for Fischer Property Parcel 1 to be put into trust in Charles Mix County. No action taken.

Public Comment:

No public comments were heard. No action taken.

Auditor Report:

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the Auditors' Account with Treasurer for the month ending November 30, 2019 for \$5,169,348.99. All in favor, motion carried.

TOTAL DEPOSITS IN BANKS	\$ 5,132,210.81
TOTAL CASH	\$ 600.00
TOTAL CHECKS	\$ 36,538.18
TOTAL	\$ 5,169,348.99

Register of Deeds Report:

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees collected during the month ending November 30, 2019 in the amount of \$10,230. All in favor, motion carried.

Fuel Quotes:

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the Fuel Quotes from December 15, 2019 to January 14, 2020. All in favor, motion carried.

District #1 - Wagner

Diesel Fuel – CHS	#1 – 2.85	#2 – 2.42
Propane – CHS	1.29	

District #2 - Lake Andes

Diesel Fuel – LA Farmers Coop	#1 – 2.85	#2 – 2.40
Propane – LA Farmers Coop	1.15	

District #3 – Platte

Diesel Fuel – Samuelson Tire & Oil	#1 – 2.55	
Diesel Fuel – Severson Oil	#2 – 2.17	
Propane – Samuelson Tire & Oil	1.11	

County Highway Shop - Geddes

Diesel Fuel – Geddes Farmers Coop	#1 – 2.67	#2 – 2.26
Propane – Severson Oil	1.15	

Highway:

Highway Superintendent – Doug Cimpl met with the Commission to update them of quotes being collected for a new skid steer and asked if there will be a County surplus auction this year. The Commission informed Cimpl that there was no plan for an auction at this time but Auditor – Rolston is to inquire with all departments on possible surplus items. No further action taken.

Surplus of Double T concrete bridge decking was discussed, Cimpl to look into pricing and options with no action taken.

Discussion was held regarding Gregory County's current gravel bid with Kory Standy and the possibility of Charles Mix going off this bid. No action taken.

Cimpl presented an issue of condensation inside the County's cold storage building in Lake Andes. Commission advised Cimpl to look into the options to correct the issue and quotes. No further action taken.

Updates were given on continued repair and maintenance from the 2019 flooding disasters as well as possible project revisions to the Charles Mix County 5 Year Highway Plan to be made in 2020. No action taken.

Auditor – Rolston presented Cimpl's current vacation balance. A motion was made by Stotz and seconded by Mushitz to approve the vacation pay out of 200 hours accumulated by Doug Cimpl before being appointed to the salaried position of Highway Superintendent. All in favor, motion carried.

Sheriff:

Sheriff – Randy Thaler presented the 2020 Minnehaha County Juvenile Detention Center Agreement with a rate of \$236.90 per bed, per day. A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to approve the agreement and have Chairman – Von Eschen sign. All in favor, motion carried.

Thaler requested to purchase a 2020 Dodge Ram 1500 Special Service Pick-Up for \$31,213 from Iverson's in Mitchell, SD. A motion was made by Stotz and seconded by Mushitz to approve the purchase request. All in favor, motion carried.

District III:

Brian McGinnis from District III was present to discuss the status of the new building to be placed in Wagner for the County Health Nurse. McGinnis explained that Mike Durfee State Penitentiary will be able to create the building whenever the layout is ready. The Commission requested that District III draw up a tentative layout to present. No further action taken.

4H Program:

4H Advisor – Mary Payer met with the Commission with a request to purchase new tables for the 4H Center and sewing machines for program activities; with checks being issued this week. The Commission and Auditor – Rolston informed Payer that the request will need to be submitted with bills for December 19th meeting. No action taken.

Flooding:

Clinton Powell from Brosz Engineering was present by phone to inform the Commission that Brosz Eng. had been approached by Township residents, east of Platte city limits, regarding on going flooding. Powell explained that Charles Mix County would need to be the primary applicant for a Hazard Mitigation Grant. No action taken, further discussion to be held at the December 19th meeting with Powell and Township residents present.

Veterans:

Veteran Services Officer – Jerry Seiner was present to give the Commission an update on the office and let them know that he will be leaving December 20th until April 6th, 2020. Seiner's Manager from the Sioux Falls area will be here at the Charles Mix County office the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. Seiner let the Commission know that he has been able to help and serve over 10% of the veterans in the County. The Commission thanked Seiner for all he is doing to help those who have served. No action taken.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to enter into executive session at 11:37 am to discuss personnel with Auditor-Rolston present. An end was declared to executive session at 11:45 am with no action taken.

Recess/Reconvene:

The Board of Commissioners recessed for lunch at 11:45 am and reconvened at 1:00 pm.

Property Tax/Wind Farms:

Jerome Powers was in attendance to express his concern with his property values being too high and does not feel they are correct due to the wind farms decreasing its value. Powers explained that residents in the wind farm area are unable to sell their property because of the easement in place as well as potential buyers not wanting to live near the turbines. Powers stated that the shadow flicker and decibels are above standards. With these issues presented Powers said it is unfair to the County residents well being and that there is a class action lawsuit in process. Powers asked the Commission if anyone is enforcing the restrictions set and that there needs to be a penalization in place for violating. Turbines being placed right at set back limits and some causing hazardous safety issues with falling ice was also discussed. The Commission informed Powers that the County will be looking into enforcement procedures and meet with the States Attorney – Steve Cotton as well. Powers was advised that he is to meet with his Township first regarding his taxes before it can be brought to the Commission. No action taken.

FEMA:

Cathy Bachhuber – Intergovernmental Affairs Specialist, Cynthia Cowell – SBA Public Information Officer and other associated representatives met with the Commission to explain the Individual Disaster Recovery Center that will be in Charles Mix County December 17th through December 21st at the 4H Center in Lake Andes. The Center will be open from 9 am to 6 pm each day to help those who suffered disaster related damages from September flooding DR-4469-DS-006. You are also able to register by calling 1-800-621-3362 or go to www.disasterassistance.gov. There are numerous non-profit agencies working together to assist with needs. The deadline to have everything completed is January 17th, 2020 (60 days from disaster declaration). All residents are reminded to apply for new damages incurred from the recent disaster and it must be a primary residence.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Mushitz and seconded by Stotz to adjourn until next regular session on December 19th, 2019. All in favor, motion carried.

November 2019 Payroll: COMMISSIONERS: \$3,015.99, **AUDITOR:** \$8,412.52, **TREASURER:** \$7,575.50, **STATES ATTORNEY:** \$13,180.27, **GOV'T BLDG:** \$4,051.95, **DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION:** \$10,416.10, **REGISTER OF DEEDS:** \$5,524.13, **VETERANS SERVICE:** \$2,043.60, **GIS:** \$3,356.16, **SHERIFF:** \$36,892.13, **JAIL:** \$27,814.30, **NURSE:** \$3,101.25, **WIC:** \$3,274.23, **COUNTY FAIR:** \$213.90, **WEED:** \$5,436.99, **HIGHWAY:** \$49,416.52, **COMMUNICATIONS CENTER:** \$16,202.13, **EMERGENCY & DISASTER MANAGEMENT:** \$2,630.00, **24/7:** \$2,202.32, **AVERA:** \$43,386.83, **DAKOTACARE ADJ:** \$788.44, **STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE:** \$295.06, **MEDICARE MATCH:** \$2,876.13, **PENSION MATCH:** \$11,615.58, **FICA MATCH:** \$12,297.75.

BILL 11/22/2019

TREASURER: CHARLES MIX REGISTER OF DEEDS, TAX DEED FILING FEE, 30.00, **TOTAL: \$30.00**

BILL 12/5/2019

GOVERNMENT BLDG: NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 953.61, **TOTAL: \$953.61**

SHERIFF: NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 525.79, **TOTAL: \$525.79**

JAIL: NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 525.79, **TOTAL: \$525.79**

JUVENILE DETENTION: NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 36.57, **TOTAL: \$36.57**

COUNTY FAIR: NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 124.13, **TOTAL: \$124.13**

COMMUNICATION CENTER: NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 262.90, **TOTAL: \$262.90**

GRAND TOTAL: \$2,428.79

BILLS 12/12/2019

NON-DEPARTMENTAL: STATE OF SD TREASURER, REFUNDS, 257.67, **TOTAL: \$257.67**

COMMISSIONERS: TECH SOLUTIONS, SERVICES, 1644.00, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 0.10, SD ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, 2020 DUES, 582.03, WRIGHT EXPRESS, SERVICES, 35.27, SD ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, 2020 DUES/SPECIAL ASSESSMENT, 4587, FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS, PLAT BOOKS, 830.00, PLATTE ENTERPRISE, PUBLISHING, 351.57, **TOTAL: \$8,029.97**

INSURANCE: SD PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIANCE, INSURANCE, 96296.92, **TOTAL: \$96,296.92**

ELECTIONS: COMMERCIAL STATE BANK, SUPPLIES, 29.94, OFFICE PRODUCTS, PAPER, 31.20, **TOTAL: \$61.14**

COURTS: DEAN SCHAEFER, COURT REPORTER, 870.00, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 189.94, MELISSA ODENS, TRANSCRIPTS, 386.40, PLATTE HEALTH CENTER, NOV '19 BLOOD ALCOHOL, 157.00, **TOTAL: \$1,603.34**

AUDITOR: TECH SOLUTIONS, SERVICES, 297.00, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 6.96, SD ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, 2020 DUES, 194.00, WRIGHT EXPRESS, FUEL, 40.60, COMMERCIAL STATE BANK, SUPPLIES, 549.99, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 155.88, OFFICE PRODUCTS, COPY COUNT/PAPER, 66.20, **TOTAL: \$1,310.63**

TREASURER: TECH SOLUTIONS, MINOR EQUIPMENT, 86.00, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 13.81, SD ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, 2020 DUES, 194.00, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 151.13, OFFICE PRODUCTS, PAPER/SUPPLIES, 158.19, **TOTAL: \$603.13**

STATES ATTORNEY: CITY OF LAKE ANDES, UTILITIES, 49.22, TECH SOLUTIONS, SOFTWARE, 12.00, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 18.23, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 184.48, NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 239.65, OFFICE PRODUCTS, SUPPLIES, 275.94, APPEARA, MAINTENANCE, 57.62, SD STATE'S ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION, MEMBERSHIP DUES, 864.00, **TOTAL: \$1,701.14**

COURT APPOINTED: STEKLY LAW, COURT APPOINTED, 439.85, MAULE LAW, COURT APPOINTED, 1433.95, MORGAN THEELER, COURT APPOINTED, 492.00, SANDY STEFFEN, COURT APPOINTED, 1167.55, KEITH GOEHRING, COURT APPOINTED, 5303.25, **TOTAL: \$8,836.60**

GOVERNMENT BLDG: CITY OF LAKE ANDES, UTILITIES, 103.27, TECH SOLUTIONS, SERVICES, 12.50, CULLIGAN WATER, SUPPLIES, 68.00, COMMERCIAL STATE BANK, SUPPLIES, 103.62, MIDWEST FIRE & SAFETY, SERVICES, 55.00, APPEARA, SUPPLIES, 53.24, **TOTAL: \$395.63**

DIR OF EQUALIZATION: SD ASSOCIATION OF ASSESSING OFFICERS, 2020 DUES, 225.00, TECH SOLUTIONS, SOFTWARE, 134.50, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 10.20, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 151.14, MCLEOD'S OFFICE SUPPLY, SUPPLIES, 187.73, OFFICE PRODUCTS, COPY COUNT/SUPPLIES, 89.73, **TOTAL: \$798.30**

REGISTER OF DEEDS: SD ASSN OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, M&P FLOW THRU, 266.00, TECH SOLUTIONS, SOFTWARE, 25.00, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 8.19, SD ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, 2020 DUES, 194.00, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 159.09, MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, MAINTENANCE, 45.00, OFFICE PRODUCTS, COPY COUNT/SUPPLIES/MINOR EQUIP, 3246.57, **TOTAL: \$3,943.85**

VETERANS SERVICE: ROY KING, MILEAGE, 18.48, TECH SOLUTIONS, MINOR EQUIP, 36.50, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 11.17, DON KOTAB, MILEAGE, 45.36, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 151.14, OFFICE PRODUCTS, PAPER, 31.20, **TOTAL: \$293.85**

GIS: TECH SOLUTIONS, SOFTWARE, 12.50, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 4.11, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 151.13, OFFICE PRODUCTS, SUPPLIES, 35.40, **TOTAL: \$203.14**

SHERIFF: CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 40.33, WRIGHT EXPRESS, FUEL, 2328.17, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 393.67, **TOTAL: \$2,762.17**

JAIL: CITY OF LAKE ANDES, UTILITIES, 545.10, WRIGHT EXPRESS, FUEL, 282.59, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 127.66, **TOTAL: \$955.35**

CORONER: CHAD PETERS, MILEAGE/SUPPLIES, 73.52, **TOTAL: \$73.52**

JUVENILE DETENTION: CITY OF LAKE ANDES, UTILITIES, 50.92, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 41.28, **TOTAL: \$92.20**

NURSE: COMMERCIAL STATE BANK, REPAIRS, 112.84, VERIZON WIRELESS, SERVICES, 40.01, **TOTAL: \$152.85**

MENTALLY ILL: FOX & YOUNGBERG, COURT APPOINTED, 159.32, LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER, SERVICES, 408.66, KEITH GOEHRING, SERVICES, 204.60, KENNEDY PIER & LOFTUS, COURT APPOINTED, 577.00, MINNEHAHA COUNTY AUDITOR, SERVICES, 531.50, YANKTON COUNTY TREASURER, SERVICES, 360.00, **TOTAL: \$2,241.08**

MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS: LIFESCAPE, SERVICES, 60.00, CENTER FOR INDEPENDENCE, SERVICES, 120.00, ABILITY BUILDING SERVICES, SERVICES, 225.00, **TOTAL: \$405.00**

COUNTY FAIR: CITY OF LAKE ANDES, UTILITIES, 49.95, BOMGAARS, REPAIR/MAINT, 88.96, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 49.29, SORLIEN PLUMBING, MAINTENANCE, 137.76, **TOTAL: \$325.96**

COUNTY EXTENSION: TECH SOLUTIONS, SOFTWARE, 34.00, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 5.72, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 151.14, OFFICE PRODUCTS, SUPPLIES, 55.51, **TOTAL: \$246.37**

WEED: TECH SOLUTIONS, SOFTWARE, 12.50, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 4.11, WRIGHT EXPRESS, FUEL, 229.88, BOMGAARS, REPAIR/MAINT, 103.72, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 151.13, OFFICE PRODUCTS, PAPER, 31.20, VERIZON WIRELESS, UTILITIES, 33.97, **TOTAL: \$566.51**

HIGHWAY: OLSON GRAIN, CONTRACT WORK, 1080.00, CITY OF PLATTE, UTILITIES, 66.14, CITY OF LAKE ANDES, UTILITIES, 50.40, TECH SOLUTIONS, SERVICES, 68.00, MYERS SANITATION, UTILITIES, 27.90, CLARK ENGINEERING, CONTRACT WORK, 2301.36, STEVE KRCIL, CONTRACT WORK, 134.00, PRODUCTIVITY PLUS, RENTALS/REPAIRS, 2804.36, CENTURY LINK, UTILITIES, 11.79, BEST PROPANE, PROPANE, 557.50, MIDSTATE EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY, ROAD MATERIALS, 12787.50, RANDALL COMMUNITY WATER DISTRICT, UTILITIES, 31.30, WRIGHT EXPRESS, FUEL, 1059.40, AVERA ST BENEDICT, SERVICES, 54.00, BOMGAARS, SUPPLIES, 173.63, CHARLES MIX ELECTRIC, UTILITIES, 150.29, FORT

RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 250.34, GEDDES FARMERS COOP, FUEL/REPAIRS, 2374.51, MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, UTILITIES, 90.68, NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, UTILITIES, 428.47, OFFICE PRODUCTS, PAPER/SUPPLIES, 676.90, PLATTE ENTERPRISE, PUBLISHING, 228.38, DAVE'S SERVICE, REPAIRS, 35.00, MOZE SANITATION, UTILITIES, 40.00, VANDERPOL CONSTRUCTION, CONTRACT WORK/EXCISE TAX, 34696.49, VERIZON WIRELESS, UTILITIES, 135.88, PRORATE SERVICES, SERVICES, 40.00, **TOTAL: \$60,354.22**

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER: FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE COMPANY, UTILITIES, 1285.17, GOLDEN WEST TELECOMMUNICATIONS, UTILITIES, 16.37, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 112.77, MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, UTILITIES, 199.17, **TOTAL: \$1,613.48**

EMERGENCY DISASTER: TECH SOLUTIONS, SOFTWARE, 4.00, CHARLES MIX ELECTRIC, UTILITIES, 52.28, FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE, UTILITIES, 141.65, **TOTAL: \$197.93**

DOMESTIC ABUSE: NATIVE AMERICAN WOMEN'S, 2019 BUDGET REQUEST, 3000.00, **TOTAL: \$3,000.00**

NON-DEPARTMENTAL: LYNN BRUGUIER, 4H DEPOSIT, 80.00, **TOTAL: \$80.00**

GRAND TOTAL: \$197,401.95

Neil Von Eschen, Chairman

Danielle Rolston, Auditor