

FALL RIVER COUNTY APPROVED MINUTES OF JANUARY 7, 2021

The Fall River Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on January 7, 2021. Present: Joe Allen, Les Cope, Joe Falkenburg, Heath Greenough, Deb Russell and Sue Ganje, Auditor. The Oath of Office for Joe Allen, Les Cope and Heath Greenough were placed on file with the Auditor.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given, and the meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

The agenda was reviewed for conflicts; none were noted. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. The full context of the meeting can be found on the county website under Commissioners at <http://fallriver.sdcounties.org>, or, under Fall River County Commission, SD at <http://www.YouTube.com>.

The meeting was turned over to the Auditor, who asked for nominations for the Chairman of the Board. Nomination was made by Russell, seconded by Allen, for Falkenburg as Chairman.

The Auditor asked for further nominations. Motion made by Russell, seconded by Cope, to have nominations cease. Falkenburg is the Chair for 2021. The meeting was turned back to the Chairman of the Board.

Motion made by Falkenburg, seconded by Allen, to nominate Russell as the Vice-Chair.

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Cope to have nomination cease. Russell is the Vice-Chair for 2021.

The board reviewed the list of items to approve, Susan Henderson asked to remove the First National Bank of Lead as a depository; Russell noted that our policy gives the treasurer the authority to choose between approved banks for investment of county monies.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Greenough, to set the ride-a-long fee for prisoner and mental health transports – \$40.00 per day to Rapid City and \$100.00 per day to Yankton and Sioux Falls.

Motion made by Cope, seconded by Russell, to approve setting the meeting dates on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Cope, to approve the consent agenda through the indigent burial rate (with the exception of the banks, ride-a-long fees and appointments) as follows: to appoint the Fall River County Herald-Star as the Official newspaper for 2021; to designate three feet of the bulletin board in the courthouse lobby for legal matters and to also post Commission agendas on the ground, side and first floor doors of the courthouse; to designate chattel mortgage sale places as the Courthouse front door, Oral Post Office, Oelrichs Post Office, and the Edgemont Post Office; to set the prisoner care per day at \$85.00 as per Sheriff's Office; to approve the Fall River Rural Health Clinic as the health care facility for jail, under the direct supervision of Dr. Avery Sides, as primary caregiver for inmates and the Regional Health Medical Clinic as the secondary, to approve Tina Norton, Inmate Contract Nurse, \$1,250.00 per month, and to set the Indigent burial rate at \$1,900.00.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Cope, to appoint Joe Allen and alternate Joe Falkenburg

to the L.E.P.C. board; appoint Joe Falkenburg and alternate Heath Greenough to the Weed board; to appoint Les Cope and alternate Deb Russell to the Custer/Fall River Regional Waste Management Board; and appoint Deb Russell and alternate Les Cope to the Black Hills Council of Local Governments Board (6th District of Local Governments); to appoint Heath Greenough and alternate Joe Falkenburg to the Resource, Conservation and Development (R C & D) board; to appoint Joe Allen and alternate Les Cope to the Western SD Juvenile Services Center Board, and appoint Deb Russell and alternate Joe Falkenburg to the Prairie Hills Transit Board.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Greenough, to approve travel for the county officials to attend meetings of the Black Hills Associations and to request office supervisors to obtain travel approval for all other meetings requiring more than same-day travel.

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Allen, to approve the following resolutions on State Bids and Election fees and mileage; and the following listing: Longevity schedule; 2021 Commission salaries; 2021 salaries for appointed officials, and the 2021 listing of employee wages, including per diem for the weed board at \$25.00 per meeting plus mileage and coroner per call amount, and to table the 2021 elected official salaries resolution for the treasurer, auditor, register of deeds, state's attorney and sheriff until after executive session:

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2021-01

WHEREAS, the Division of Purchasing and Printing of the State of South Dakota has competitively bid state contracts for the purchase of necessary supplies, equipment and materials for state and local governments, and

WHEREAS, the Fall River County Board of Commissioners is authorized to purchase necessary supplies, equipment and materials for its use, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Fall River County Commissioners enter into an agreement with the Division of Purchasing and Printing of the State of South Dakota to purchase equipment, supplies and materials.

Dated this 7th day of January 2021.

/s/Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River County Commission

ATTEST:

/s/Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2021-02

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 12-15-11, the Board of County Commissioners at their first meeting shall set a fee for Election Board and the mileage rate;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fall River County Board of Commissioners have set the FLAT FEE FOR ATTENDANCE OF ELECTION SCHOOL AT \$15.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fall River Board of County Commissioners has set the fee for Election Boards for the Primary and General and all Special Elections as follows:

ALL ELECTION BOARDS WILL RECEIVE A FLAT FEE OF \$130.00; RESOLUTION AND ABSENTEE BOARDS WILL BE SET AT \$9.45 PER HOUR, and

ALL PROVISIONAL BOARDS WILL BE SET AT A \$20.00 FLAT FEE, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fall River County Commissioners set the mileage rate at \$.42 per mile for the transporting of ballots and ballot boxes by the precinct superintendent.

Dated this 7th day of January, 2021

/s/Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River County Commission

ATTEST:

/s/Sue Ganje, County Auditor
Fall River County

Longevity Pay

Longevity pay after 2 years of continuous service with the County, the employee shall be paid \$25.00 per month equating to \$300.00 per year. For each year of service after the initial 2 years of service, the employee shall be paid \$50.00 per month equating to \$600.00 per year. For twenty years of service and up shall be paid \$75.00 per month equating to \$900.00 per year.

Wages for 2021			Eligible for Longevity	Oglala Lakota County
COMMISSIONERS				
		Salary		
Allen, Joe	Commissioner	\$9,600.00		
Greenough, Heath	Commissioner	\$9,600.00		
Falkenburg, Joe	Commissioner	\$10,200.00		
Cope, Les	Commissioner	\$9,600.00		
Russell, Deborah	Commissioner	\$10,200.00		
APPOINTED OFFICIALS				
		Salary		
Cullen, Dan	Veteran's Service Officer	\$47,560.32	600.00 per year	
Weishaupl, David	Maintenance Supervisor	\$38,160.12		
Maynard, Frank	Emergency Management	\$61,082.64	600.00 per year	
Seiler, Randy	Hwy Superintendent	\$66,918.60	900.00 per year	
Hayes, Susan	Director of Equalization	\$52,120.24	600.00 per year	\$10,300.00
Stacey Martin	GIS	\$46,921.80	600.00 per year	
Steinmetz, Nina	Weed Supervisor	\$48,281.28	600.00 per year	

HOURLY		Hourly, or per call/meeting	
Anderson, Rebecca	Greeter	\$11.00	
Behrens, Donna	Coroner	\$150.00 Per Call	
Belt, Isnalawica	Deputy Sheriff	\$19.50	
Belt, Sydney	Dispatcher	\$16.50	
Berens, Larry	Security	\$12.00	
Birkland, LaVella	Register of Deeds Office	\$16.25	600.00 per year
Blessing, Brett	Hwy Department State's Attorney Office	\$23.04	600.00 per year
Boche, Carol	Office	\$17.06	300.00 per year
Buchholz, Martin	Hwy Department	\$21.38	600.00 per year
Caster, Patty	Assessor's Office	\$18.00	
Denison, Frances	Assessor's Office	\$19.91	600.00 per year
Eberle, Aaron	Auditor's Office	\$16.83	600.00 per year
Fleming, Melissa	Dispatcher	\$21.18	600.00 per year
Gibson, Carlo	Hwy Department	\$19.11	300.00 per year
Grapentine, Laci	Greeter	\$11.00	
Hageman, Wayne	Weed Board	\$25.00 Per Meeting	
Hansen, Bradley	Jailer	\$22.41	600.00 per year
Heisinger, Gerard	Hwy Department	\$20.88	600.00 per year
Hosterman, Rachel	Sheriff's Office	\$14.00	
Hylle, Amanda	24/7	\$13.00	
Janis, Bobbie	Auditor's Office	\$20.87	600.00 per year
Jarman, Martha	Dispatcher State's Attorney Office	\$27.89	900.00 per year
Jenniges, Edie	Office	\$18.35	600.00 per year
Johnson, Jean	Greeter	\$11.00	
Johnson, Valarie	Greeter	\$11.00	
Logue, Vincent	Deputy Sheriff	\$24.95	600.00 per year
Luther, Brandon	Jailer	\$20.56	300.00 per year
Maciejewski, Anna	Treasurer's Office	\$15.43	600.00 per year
Maciejewski, Calvin	Hwy Department	\$23.16	900.00 per year
Maciejewski, Kyle	Deputy Sheriff	\$22.35	600.00 per year
Madsen, Toni	24/7	\$13.00	
Martin, Ken	Hwy Department	\$17.66	600.00 per year
McMillan, Thomas	Deputy Sheriff	\$22.50	
Mendez, Jose	Maintenance Office	\$18.45	600.00 per year
Mraz, Jennifer	Dispatcher	\$21.58	600.00 per year
Norton, Lyle	Deputy Sheriff	\$23.33	600.00 per year
Novotny, Bob	Weed Board	\$25.00 Per Meeting	
Oechsle, Kenneth	Weed & Pest	\$11.00	
Otteson, Anthony	Jailer	\$17.50	
Palmer, Ray	Weed & Pest	\$13.00	
Petersen Dee, Tamra	Assessor's Office	\$14.00	

Pokorski, David	Jailer	\$20.56	300.00 per year
Rakness, Elizabeth	Deputy Sheriff	\$22.31	300.00 per year
Raskiewicz, Casey	Hwy Department	\$17.05	
Rhoads, Amy	Extension Office	\$14.00	
Rhoe, Kelli	Treasurer's Office	\$17.00	
Schmidt, Stacy	Auditor's Office	\$19.72	600.00 per year
Schubbel, Frederick	Hwy Department	\$19.11	300.00 per year
Shaw, Nikki	Treasurer's Office	\$15.43	600.00 per year
Shull, Eric	Hwy Department	\$18.05	
Sides, John	Weed Board	\$25.00 Per Meeting	
Simunek, Trina	Dispatcher	\$19.58	600.00 per year
Spitzer, Kristi	Nurse's Office	\$22.53	900.00 per year
Standen, Julianne	Greeter	\$11.00	
Steinmetz, Clayton	Hwy Department	\$16.05	
Stover, Crispeen	Register of Deeds Office	\$13.00	
Timmins, Kathy	Treasurer's Office	\$16.66	300.00 per year
Tomlinson, Julie	Auditor's Office	\$17.39	600.00 per year
Turner, Caitlin	Assessor's Office	\$18.55	600.00 per year
Wishard, Jonathan	Jailer	\$16.50	
Wood, Wesley	Maintenance Office	\$14.00	
Wyatt, Jerry	Weed & Pest	\$25.00 Per Meeting	
Zimiga, Austin	Jailer	\$20.56	

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Cope, to set the chairman of the mental health board's fee of \$125.00 per hour; to not rehire any employee who is eligible for and has retirement funds withheld, for a period of 6 months, if that employee has resigned and withdrawn their SD Retirement Funds, unless specifically authorized by the Board; to have government agencies notify the county on activities and to appoint Stacey Martin, PIO (Public Information Officer), with Melissa Fleming and Bobbie Janis as assistants.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve the December 1 and December 10, 2020 minutes. The December 15, 2020 minutes were not available.

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Russell, to confirm that an easement is not needed in relation to the vacation of part of a Highway, formerly known as County Road 9 and River Road, petitioned by Mark Tubbs, Tubbs Land and Cattle.

No applicants for county assistance met with the board.

Eric Pickar, Attorney for Bangs McCullen Law firm, met with the board, via google meets. Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to accept the petition for Spirit Canyon Road District and set the election date for February 2, 2021.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Cope, to deny the request to waive payments pursuant to SDCL 6-16-12.

Bob Evans, Sheriff, met with the board to report that there are 21 males and 4 females in the Fall River County Jail, 3 females and 1 male in the Pennington County Jail, with 1 inmate on work release, for a total of 30 inmates.

Discussion was held on need for one more Deputy. Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Russell, to approve hiring one additional Deputy Sheriff.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Greenough, to approve the 2021 contract for housing of prisoners and detainees in the Pennington County Jail and authorize the Sheriff to sign.

Teresa Pullen, Treasurer, met with the board. Motion made by Allen, seconded by Greenough, to allow Pullen to continue with First Interstate Bank as a new credit card issuer for the county.

Falkenburg questioned Pullen on interest amounts paid by First National Bank of Lead, which is 2.00% for cd's and .40% for the ICS account. Pullens noted attempts made for local investments. Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Russell, to designate, by roll call vote, First Interstate Bank, First National Bank of Lead, Bank of the West, Black Hills Federal Credit Union, Black Hills Community Bank, Liberty National Bank as the official banks for 2021.

Randy Seiler, Highway Superintendent, met with the board. Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Cope, to set the private road work hearing for February 4, 2021, 9:55 a.m. as per SDCL 31-11-41 thru 31-11-45.

Seiler updated the board that they have been graveling or blading when there is moisture. Butler will be down to discuss the road grader at a future meeting; the current buy back on the 2014 motor grader the board will sell is \$150,000.00 from Butler Machinery. The Chilson Bridge and the Township Bridge north of Dewey are on schedule and will happen about the same time. So far there is no state action on the Provo Bridge.

SD Representatives Trish Ladner & Tim Goodwin (in person) and Senator Julie Frye-Mueller (via google meet) met with the board to discuss issue of possible increased property taxes due to current sales in the county. Also present were Don Olstad and Susie Hayes, Director of Equalization. The Senator and Representatives are willing to explore options which may include changes to school formulas, elderly freeze, and assessing agriculture land valuations, and to introduce bills while they are in session. The problem does exist statewide, but mostly West River. The continuing increase of values will affect residents and ability to stay in their homes.

The board was updated on Covid monies, Shep's Canyon Road, improving cell phone and internet service and Amendment A and Initiated Measure 26. The owner-occupied levy is applied differently by counties, which will be looked at as use of soils for ag land.

Discussion was also held on state's rights and Article 10; there needs to be more separation between the states and the federal government.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve the bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND

CURA HOSPITALITY

INMATE/FOOD SUPPLY

\$11,048.79

A-Z SHREDDING INC	SHREDDING	\$78.02
BLACK HILLS CHEMICAL	SUPPLY	\$409.44
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITY/POWER ELECTRIC	\$3,704.02
EN-TECH LLC	FUMIGATION	\$110.00
DUDE SOLUTIONS, INC.	GIS SUPPORT CONTRACT	\$265.98
FALL RIVER HEALTH SERVICE	INMATE MEDICAL	\$627.90
GALLS	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$348.92
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICE/NETWORK/SERVER	\$5,241.77
HOT SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLY	\$269.06
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS	HANGAR RENT	\$1,200.00
JENSEN, LYLE	CONTRACT	\$1,500.00
KNECHT, ANDREW JOHN	CAAF	\$8,991.90
MARCO	COPIER LEASE	\$175.18
MCGLUMPHY, ERIN	REIMBURSEMENT	\$753.27
OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	SERVICE CONTRACT	\$437.04
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	TRANSPORT	\$244.85
QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$20.99
SD SHERIFF'S ASSN	2021 DUES	\$712.82
SERVALL	RUG/UNIFORM SERVICE	\$400.78
SONNY'S SUPER FOODS	SUPPLY	\$57.20
STEVEN'S AUTOMOTIVE	SERVICE	\$35.15
VANGUARD APPRAISALS INC	ANNUAL SERVICE FEES	\$11,800.00
MILES, SASHA	BLOOD DRAW	\$75.00
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$48,508.08
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE		
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITY POWER ELECTRIC	\$773.96
	TOTAL COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	\$773.96
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICE/NETWORK/SERVER	\$8.50
MARCO	COPIER LEASE	\$34.05
	TOTAL FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$42.55
	TOTAL PAID BETWEEN 1/1/21 AND 1/7/20	\$49,324.60

Break was taken at 10:27 a.m. and the meeting reconvened at 10:33 a.m.

No public comment was heard.

Motion made by Cope, seconded by Allen, to enter into executive session as per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) personnel and (3) for legal purposes at 10:34 a.m.

Meeting resumed at 11:20 a.m.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Greenough to increase new County Treasurer Pullen salary by \$2,000 and approve the following resolution:

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2021-03

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 7-7-9.1, 7-7-12 and 7-12-15 the Board of Commissioners by Resolution may establish the salary payable to the County Treasurer, County Auditor, County Register of Deeds, County State's Attorney and County Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, the salary may not be less than the following schedule and is based upon the most recent decennial federal census. The Fall River Census is 7,094.

Treasurer, Auditor, Register of Deeds - Population under 10,000: \$29,270.00;
State's Attorney - Population under 10,000: \$32,600.00
County Sheriff – Population under 10,000: \$41,256 plus 10% for jail admin

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fall River Board of County Commissioners set the salaries as follows, effective January 1, 2020:

Treasurer, Teresa Pullen:	\$42,160.08 (plus \$17,175.25 from Oglala Lakota County)
Auditor, Sue Ganje:	\$57,471.00 (plus \$17,175.25 from Oglala Lakota County)
Reg. of Deeds, Mel Engebretson:	\$52,432.68 (plus \$17,175.25 from Oglala Lakota County)
State's Attorney, Lance Russell:	\$71,316.12 (plus \$25,000.00 from Oglala Lakota County)
Sheriff, Bob Evans	\$57,840.24

Passed and approved this 7th day of January, 2021.

/s/Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Cope to approve giving Kelli Rhoe the negotiated wage increase of \$2.00 per hour, with no longevity.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve the 2021 Oglala Lakota/Fall River County Contract, with a change that Oglala Lakota County will pay Fall River County directly for those officials that work with Oglala Lakota County, and Fall River will include that with Fall River County salaries.

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Allen, to adjourn at 11:22 a.m.

/s/Joe Falkenburg
Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Board of Fall River County Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje, Fall River County Auditor