

FALL RIVER COUNTY APPROVED MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2023

The Fall River Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on July 20, 2023. Present: Joe Allen, Les Cope, Joe Falkenburg, Heath Greenough, Deb Russell, Sue Ganje, 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.sdcountries.org>, or on Facebook, on the Fall River County's website.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve the agenda as written.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve the minutes of the County Commissioners for July 6, 2023.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve the Auditor's Account with the Treasurer for June 2023 as follows:

**AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY
TREASURER**

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF FALL RIVER 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 June 2023.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS:	\$ 838,883.74
Total Amount of Cash:	\$ 1,457.27
Total Amount of Treasurer's Change Fund:	\$ 900.00
Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days:	\$ 22,328.01
SAVINGS:	
#4) First Interstate Bank, HS:	\$ 2,512,449.00
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:	
#8) Black Hills Federal Credit Union, HS:	\$ 250,000.00
#14) Schwab Treasury:	\$ 1,020,634.24
#15) First National Bank, Lead:	\$ 318,473.31
#21) Schwab Treasury 2 Yr:	\$ 267,357.81
#22) Schwab Treasury 2 Yr:	\$ 972,494.53
#23) Schwab Treasury 2 Yr:	\$ 973,906.25
#24) Schwab Treasury 2 Yr:	\$ 2,034,101.56
#25) Schwab Treasury 3 Yr:	\$ 1,931,562.50
#26) Schwab Treasury 4 Yr:	\$ 1,014,061.88

Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts that have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days:

Register of Deeds Change Fund:	\$	500.00
Highway Petty Cash:	\$	20.00
Election Petty Cash:	\$	15.00

RETURNED CHECKS:

Hannah Thomas	\$	426.01
Mary Bails	\$	1,191.17
Lewis, Harold/ Carole	\$	557.77

TOTAL \$ 12,161,320.05

Dated This 30th Day of June 2023.

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje, County Auditor
of Fall River County

/S/ Teresa Pullen
Teresa Pullen, County Treasurer
of Fall River County

County Monies	\$	11,727,710.62
Held for other Entities	\$	142,556.61
Held in Trust	\$	291,052.82
TOTAL	\$	12,161,320.05

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 Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve travel to SDACC/O County Convention on September 12 and 13, 2023 in Sioux Falls for Melody Engebretson, Register of Deeds; Stacy Schmidt, Deputy Auditor; Teresa Pullen, Treasurer; Chaela Holmes, Deputy Treasurer, and any commissioners who wish to attend.

Motion by Greenough, seconded by Cope, to approve appointment of Wendell Hertel to fill the vacancy on the Board of Directors of the Hot Springs Rural Fire District as per SDCL 34-31A-15.1.

Notification was given to the Board that Edgemont Masonic Lodge #161 will be holding a fund-raising event, effective immediately; and that the Cheyenne River Cowboy Church will be holding a fund-raising event, beginning August 5, 2023.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to surplus to junk a space heater, asset tag #1496 from Register of Deeds office.

Vice Chairwoman Russell reported to the Board, by request of Sherriff Norton, regarding the inmate numbers. There are 11 males and 3 females in house and 2 males in Pennington County jail.

Chairman Falkenburg noted that Sheriff Norton asked for the Edgemont Law Enforcement Agreement to remain at the same reimbursement cost for 2024 as it is for 2023 from the City of Edgemont.

A Public Hearing regarding the distribution of Fall River County's 2024 PILT monies was held at 9:10 am. A representative from Edgemont School District 23-1 and the Hot Springs School District 23-2 were present. The representatives in attendance expressed appreciation for the funds they received in the past and continued appreciation on keeping the percentages of distribution the same as in 2022.

Motion made by Cope, seconded by Greenough, to keep the 2024 PILT distribution the same as 2023's distribution as follows: Schools to receive 10% of the total amount received (distributed by federal acres in each school district) and to allow distribution of 50% of the allocation (after the school portion) to the Township, Ambulance and Fire Districts.

Frank Maynard, Emergency Manager, met with the Board.

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Allen, to approve authorizing the Chairman to sign the LEMPG single signature form for the 3rd quarter.

Maynard updated the Board regarding the audit notes referencing the balance of funds for the POD Grant. The SD Department of Health provided an email noting that it is now closed, and no further action is required. Maynard and Baker attended the annual Rally meeting and noted that they are expecting the number of attendees to be around the same as last year. Maynard then provided reports of fires and incidents within the County.

Brett Blessing, Highway Foreman, met with the Board to provide updates and discuss the traffic counts on County roads that had been conducted in March, April and May. It was noted that those counts would probably be higher if they had been collected in Summer months. Greenough commented that the average speed on Shep's Canyon Rd was higher than the actual speed limit of 35 mph and would like to see more law enforcement presence on that road. The Board reviewed Butte County's Minimum Maintenance Road Policy and will review it further at the next meeting on August 3, 2023. The Board will also make a motion at the next meeting to set a hearing for Minimum Maintenance Roads on August 17 and September 7, 2023.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve travel for Randy Seiler, Highway Superintendent, to attend the Local Road Advisory Conference on October 18th and 19th, 2023 in Sioux Falls.

A Public Hearing for an On/Off Sale Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine License and an On/Off Sale Wine and Cider License for Rodeo Grounds, located at 27631 Hwy 79, Hot Springs, SD was held.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve an On/Off Sale Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine License and the On/Off Sale Wine and Cider License for Rodeo Grounds, located at 27631 Hwy 79, Hot Springs, SD.

Melissa Stearns met with the Board to present a plat for Commission approval.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Cope, to approve the Plat of Plum Creek Addition, located in the S1/2SW1/4 of Section 4, Twp 10S, Rng 3E, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota

**A PLAT OF TRACT 1 OF PLUM CREEK ADDITION
LOCATED IN S1/2SW1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE
BLACK HILLS MERIDIAN, FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the County Commissioners of Fall River County, South Dakota, the within plat of the above described lands, and it appearing to this Board that the system of streets conforms to the system of streets of existing plats and section lines of the county; adequate provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or section line when physically accessible; all provisions of the county subdivision regulations have been complied with; all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid; and the plat and survey have been lawfully executed; now and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that said plat is hereby approved in all respects.

Dated this 20 day of July, 2023.

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

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Greenough, to approve travel to the OHE Meeting in Pierre on July 26 and 27, 2023 for Lily Heidebrink, Director of Equalization; Sam Kipp and Jonathan Harris, Assessors in Training.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Fall River County Code of the West that was last updated in 2017.

Motion made by Cope, seconded by Allen, to approve removing the first paragraph of page 6 and adopting the Fall River County Code of the West, 2023 revised as follows:

FALL RIVER COUNTY CODE OF THE WEST

The Code of the West was first chronicled by the famous western writer, Zane Grey. The men and women who came to this part of the country during the westward expansion of the United States were bound by an unwritten code of conduct. The values of integrity and self-reliance guided their decisions, actions and interactions. In keeping with that spirit, we offer this information to help the citizens of Fall River County who wish to follow in the footsteps of those rugged individualists by living outside city limits.

Introduction

It is important for you to know that life in the country is different from life in the city. County governments are not able to provide the same level of service that city governments provide. To that end, we are providing you with the following information to help you make an educated and informed decision to purchase rural land.

Access

The fact that you can drive to your property does not necessarily guarantee that you, your guests and

emergency service vehicles can achieve that same level of access at all times. Please consider:

1.1 - Emergency response times (Sheriff, fire suppression, medical care, etc.) cannot be guaranteed. Under some extreme conditions, you may find that emergency response is extremely slow and expensive.

1.2 - There can be problems with the legal aspects of access, especially if you gain access across property belonging to others. It is wise to obtain legal advice and understand the easements that may be necessary when these types of questions arise.

1.3 - You can experience problems with the maintenance and cost of maintenance of your road. Fall River County maintains 700 miles of roads, but many rural properties are served by roads which are maintained by private road associations. There are even some county roads that are not maintained by the county - no grading or snow plowing. There are even some public roads that are not maintained by anyone! Make sure you know what type of maintenance to expect and who will provide that maintenance. Even if you have road frontage, you may require a permit to approach from the county or state to build a driveway off that road.

1.4 - Extreme weather conditions can destroy roads. It is wise to determine whether or not your road was properly engineered and constructed.

1.5 - Many large construction vehicles cannot navigate small, narrow roads. If you plan to build, it is prudent to check out construction access.

1.6 - School buses travel only on maintained county roads that have been designated as school bus routes by the school district. You may need to drive your children to the nearest county road so they can get to school.

1.7 - In extreme weather, even county-maintained roads can become impassable. You may need a four-wheel drive vehicle with chains for all four wheels to travel during those episodes, which could last for several days.

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1.8 - Natural disasters, especially floods, can destroy roads. Fall River County will repair and maintain county roads; however, subdivision roads are the responsibility of the landowners who use those roads.

1.9 - Unpaved roads generate dust. As a general rule Fall River County does not treat county system roads to suppress the dust and dust is a fact of life for most rural residents.

1.10 - If your road is unpaved, it is highly unlikely that Fall River County will pave it in the foreseeable future. Check carefully with the Fall River County Road Department when any statement is made by the seller of any property that indicates any unpaved roads will be paved!

1.11 - Unpaved roads are not always smooth and are often slippery when they are wet. You will experience an increase in vehicle maintenance costs when you regularly travel on rural county roads.

1.12 - Mail/newspaper delivery is not available to all areas of the county. Ask the postmaster/newspaper to describe the system for your area.

1.13 - Standard parcel and overnight package delivery can be a problem for those who live in the country. Confirm with the service providers as to your status.

Utility Services

Water, sewer, electric, telephone and other services may be unavailable or may not operate at urban standards. Repairs can often take much longer than in towns and cities. Please review your options from the non-exhaustive list below.

2.1 - Telephone communications can be a problem, especially in the mountain areas of Fall River County. If you have a private line, it may be difficult to obtain another line for fax or computer modem uses. Even cellular phones will not work in all areas. High Speed Internet service is often not available.

2.2 - If sewer service is available to your property, it may be expensive to hook into the system. It also may be expensive to maintain the system you use.

2.3 - If sewer service is not available, you will need to use an approved on-site septic system or other treatment process. The type of soil you have available for a leach field will be very important in determining the cost and function of your system. For installation you will require a state/county certified septic installer or call 1-800-GET-DENR for the rules for installation.

2.4 - If you have access to a supply of treated domestic water, the tap fees can be expensive. You may also find that your monthly cost of service can be costly when compared to municipal systems

2.5 - If you do not have access to a supply of treated domestic water, you will have to locate an alternative supply. The most common methods are hauling water or drilling a well. The cost for drilling and pumping can be considerable and generally requires hiring a SD licensed well driller. The quality and quantity of well water can vary considerably from location to location and from season to season. It is strongly advised that you research this issue very carefully.

2.6 - Not all wells can be used for watering of landscaping and/or livestock. If you have other needs, make certain that you have the proper approvals before you invest. It may also be difficult to find enough water to provide for your needs even if you can secure the proper permit.

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2.7 - Electric service is not available to every area of Fall River County. It is important to determine the proximity of electrical power. It can be very expensive to extend power lines to remote areas.

2.8 - It may be necessary to cross property owned by others in order to extend electric service to your property in the most cost-efficient manner. It is important to make sure that the proper easements are in place to allow lines to be built to your property.

2.9 - Electric power may not be available in two phase and three phase service configurations. If you have special power requirements, it is important to know what level of service can be provided to your property.

2.10 - If you are purchasing land with the plan to build at a future date, there is a possibility that electric lines (and other utilities) may not be large enough to accommodate you if others connect during the time you wait to build.

2.11 - The cost of electric service is usually divided into a fee to hook into the system and then a monthly charge for energy consumed. It is important to know both costs before making a decision to purchase a specific piece of property.

2.12 - Power outages can occur in outlying areas with more frequency than in more developed areas. A loss of electric power can also interrupt your supply of water from a well. You may also lose food in freezers or refrigerators and power outages can cause problems with computers as well. It is important to be able to survive for up to a week in severe cold with no utilities if you live in the country.

2.13 - Trash removal can be much more expensive in a rural area than in a city. In some cases, your trash dumpster may be several miles from your home. It is illegal to create your own trash dump, even on your own land. It is good to know the cost for trash removal as you make the decision to move into the country. In some cases, your only option may be to haul your trash to the landfill yourself. Recycling is more difficult because pick-up is not available in most rural areas.

2.14 - The State of South Dakota has laws which prohibit/restrict open burning of trash and yard debris. You will need to contact the local volunteer fire department to check the laws and permits that apply to your location of Fall River County.

The Property

There are many issues that can affect your property. It is important to research these items before purchasing land.

3.1 - Most, but not all, lots are buildable. Smaller lots may not meet state requirements for septic system installations. Generally, a state electrical inspection of new construction is required before your power will be turned on.

3.2 - Easements may require you to allow construction of roads, power lines, water lines, sewer lines, etc. across your land. There may be easements that are not of record. Check these issues carefully.

3.3 - Many property owners do not own the mineral rights under their property. Owners of mineral rights have the ability to change the surface characteristics in order to extract their minerals. It is very important to know what minerals may be located under the land and who owns them. Much of the rural land in Fall River County can be used for mining. Be aware that adjacent mining uses can expand and cause negative impacts.

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3.4 - You may be provided with a plat of your property, but unless the land has been surveyed and pins placed by a licensed surveyor, you cannot assume that the plat is accurate. The Fall River County Register of Deeds may have copies of filed plats.

3.5 - Fences that separate properties are often misaligned with the property lines. A survey of the land is the only way to confirm the location of your property lines. South Dakota law may require that you pay one-half the cost of a fence installed by your neighbor on a common border.

3.6 - Many subdivisions and planned unit developments have covenants that limit the use of the property. It is important to obtain a copy of the covenants (or confirm that there are none) and make sure that you can live with those rules. Also, a lack of covenants can cause problems between neighbors.

3.7 - Road taxing districts and homeowners associations are sometimes used to take care of common elements, roads, open space, etc. A dysfunctional homeowners association or poor covenants can cause problems for you and even involve you in expensive litigation.

3.8 - Dues are almost always a requirement for those areas with a HOA. The by-laws of the HOA will tell you how the organization operates and how the dues are set.

3.9 - The surrounding properties will probably not remain as they are indefinitely. The view from your property may change.

3.10 - If you have a water ditch or powerline running across your property there is a good possibility that the owners of the ditch/line have the right to come onto your property with heavy equipment to maintain the ditch/or cut trees away from their powerline.

3.11 - Water rights that are sold with the property may not give you the right to use the water from any ditches crossing your land without coordinating with a neighbor who also uses the water. Other users may have senior rights to the water that can limit your use or require you to pay for the oversizing or other improving of the ditch.

3.12 - It is important to make sure that any water rights you purchase with the land will provide enough water to maintain fruit trees, pastures, gardens or livestock.

3.13 - The water flowing in irrigation ditches belongs to someone. You cannot assume that because the water flows across your property, you can use it.

3.14 - Flowing water can be a hazard, especially to young children. Before you decide to locate your home near an active ditch, consider the possible danger to your family.

3.15 - The development of lots may be affected by geological hazards, flooding, wetlands, streams, rivers, and lakes. Additionally, priority fish and/or wildlife habitats and species may limit the type and location of development you may perform on your property. Development constraints, extra costs, special studies and permits may be required for the development of lots.

3.16 - South Dakota does not have a personal income tax and as a result property taxes are often much higher than other states. It is worthwhile to visit with the Fall River Tax Assessor before buying property to determine whether a large increase in assessments and hence taxes on the property is expected. In particular, agricultural land that is subdivided and no longer meets the requirements for being agricultural can result in taxes that are many multiple times more than previous taxes.

Mother Nature

Residents of the country usually experience more problems when the elements and earth turn unfriendly. Here are some thoughts for you to consider.

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4.1 - The physical characteristics of your property can be positive and negative. Trees are a wonderful environmental amenity but can also involve your home in a forest fire. Building at the top of a forested draw should be considered as dangerous as building in a flash flood area. Defensible perimeters are very helpful in protecting buildings from forest fire and inversely can protect the forest from igniting if your house catches on fire. If you start a forest fire, you are responsible for paying for the cost of extinguishing that fire. For further information, you can contact Fall River Emergency Management or the local volunteer fire district.

4.2 - Steep slopes can slide in unusually wet weather. Large rocks can also roll down steep slopes and present a great danger to people and property.

4.3 - Expansive soils, can buckle concrete foundations and twist steel I-beams. You can determine the soil conditions on your property by reviewing the Fall River County Soil Survey.

4.4 - North facing slopes or canyons rarely see direct sunlight in the winter. There is a possibility that snow will accumulate and not melt throughout the winter.

4.5 - The topography of the land can tell you where the water will go in the case of heavy precipitation. When property owners fill in ravines, they have found that the water that drained through that ravine now drains through their house.

4.6 - A flash flood can occur, especially during the summer months, and turn a dry gully into a river. It is wise to take this possibility into consideration when building. FEMA flood maps are available through Emergency Management for most of the county and help determine whether you will be able to purchase flood insurance.

4.7 - Nature can provide you with some wonderful neighbors. Most, such as deer and eagles are positive additions to the environment. However, even "harmless" animals like deer can cross the road unexpectedly and cause traffic accidents. Rural development encroaches on the traditional habitat of coyotes, bobcats, mountain lions, rattlesnakes, prairie dogs, mosquitoes and other animals that can be dangerous and you need to know how to deal with them. In general, it is best to enjoy wildlife from a distance and know that if you do not handle your pets and trash properly, it could cause problems for you and the wildlife.

4.8 - Many areas of Fall River County are open for hunting. Hunting, while providing recreational opportunities, is a tool for managing wildlife populations. It also involves individuals who may trespass, litter, or fire guns. Don't automatically assume your property is in a no hunting area.

Agriculture

Owning rural land means knowing how to care for it. There are a few things you need to know:

5.1 - Farmers often work around the clock, especially during planting and harvest time, and hay is often swathed or baled at night. It is possible that adjoining agriculture uses can disturb your peace and quiet.

5.2 - Land preparation and other operations can cause dust, especially during windy and dry weather.

5.3 - Farmers occasionally burn their ditches to keep them clean of debris, weeds and other obstructions. This burning creates smoke that you may find objectionable.

5.4 - Chemicals (mainly fertilizers and herbicides) are often used in growing crops. You may be sensitive to these substances and many people actually have severe allergic reactions. Many of these chemicals are applied by airplanes that fly early in the morning.

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5.5 - Animals and their manure can cause objectionable odors. What else can we say?

5.6 - Agriculture is an important business in Fall River County. If you choose to live among the farms and ranches of our rural countryside, do not expect county government to intervene in the normal day-to-day operations of your agri-business neighbors.

5.7 - Portions of Fall River County are open range. This means if you do not want cattle, sheep or other livestock on your property, it is your responsibility to fence them out. In those areas, it is not the responsibility of the rancher to keep his/her livestock off your property.

5.8 - Before buying land you should know if it has noxious weeds that may be expensive to control, and you may be required to control. Some plants are poisonous to horses and other livestock.

5.9 - Animals can be dangerous. Bulls, stallions, rams, boars, etc. can attack human beings. Children need to know that it is not safe to enter pens where animals are kept.

5.10 - Much of Fall River County receives less than 17 inches of precipitation per year. As a result, we have a problem with overgrazing, and fugitive dust. Without irrigation, grass does not grow very well. There is a limit to the amount of grazing the land can handle. The Fall River County Cooperative Extension office can help you with these issues.

In Conclusion

This information is by no means exhaustive. There are other issues that you may encounter that we have overlooked, and we encourage you to be vigilant in your duties to explore and examine those things that could cause your move to be less than you expect.

We have offered these comments in the sincere hope that it can help you enjoy your decision to reside in the country. It is not our intent to dissuade you, only inform you.

Adopted this 20th day of July, 2023

Fall River County Commission

/S/ Joe Falkenburg
Joe Falkenburg, Chairman

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The Board would like the updated Fall River County Code of the West sent to area realtors. It is currently on the county website under Planning and Zoning.

Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Cope, to pay the bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND

ARNESON, DEANN	REISSUED CHECK	\$105.92
AUDRA HILL CONSULTING,INC	MI QMHP EVALUATION	\$360.54
A-Z SHREDDING INC	SHREDDING	\$45.85
BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	INMATE SUPPLIES	\$378.36
BLACK HILLS CHEMICAL	SUPPLY	\$452.67
BLACK HILLS AMMUNITION	AMMUNITION	\$1,058.48
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITY POWER ELECTR	\$3,811.04
BLESSING, BRETT	REISSUED CHECK	\$9.00
CASPER MNT MOTOR SPORTS	REISSUED CHECK	\$499.86
CAMERON, GEORGE	COURT REPORTER	\$308.70
CENTURY BUSINESS LEASING	COPIER LEASE & METER	\$1,388.35

CENTURY BUSINESS LEASING	COPIER LEASE & USAGE	\$323.89
CHEYENNE SANITATION	SANITATION COLLECTIO	\$376.73
CLINICAL LABORATORY OF	AUTOPSY	\$3,413.00
CULLIGAN SOFT WATER	RENTAL/SUPPLY	\$223.50
DEAN SCHAEFER	COURT REPORTER	\$30.00
ESTATE OF JOHN OLOVICH	REISSUED CHECK	\$343.85
FALL RIVER HEALTH	VICTIM ASSISTANCE	\$2,832.62
FALL RIVER HEALTH SERVICE	INMATE MEDICAL	\$445.20
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$6,466.65
GOLDEN WEST	PHONE BILL/LONG DIST	\$2,193.43
GREGG, FRANK	PROPERTY TAX REFUND	\$123.78
HARRIS, JONATHAN	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$100.00
HIRST, VAL	PROERTY TAX REFUND	\$349.19
HIRST, VAL	PROPERTY TAX REFUND	\$43.53
HOSTERMAN, RACHEL	REIMBURSEMENT	\$61.07
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS	CITY WATER BILL	\$713.40
HUSTEAD LAW OFFICE, P.C.	CAAF	\$2,089.88
INTOXIMETERS	SUPPLY	\$325.00
KIPP, SAM	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$100.00
LOVETT, JONATHAN	REISSUED CHECK	\$3.63
MACIEJEWSKI, CALVIN	REISSUED CHECK	\$9.00
MARTIN, STACEY	REISSUED CHECK	\$22.03
MARTY'S TIRE & AUTO BODY	REPAIR/SERVICE	\$20.00
MASTEL, BRUCE	DATABASE SETUP & MON	\$35.00
MASTERCARD	COUNTY CREDIT CARD	\$2,678.87
MCGLUMPHY, ERIN	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$753.02
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	SCANNING EQUIP LEASE	\$290.00
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE	\$1,006.73
O'NEILL, JUSTIN	CAAF	\$187.25
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	INMATE HOUSING PENNI	\$3,895.00
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	TRANSPORT	\$858.68
FALL RIVER CO FAIR-BOOTH	FALL RIVER CO FAIR B	\$50.00
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$21.37
QUINTO RANCH LLC	REISSUED CHECK	\$400.00
RAMKOTA HOTEL-PIERRE	HOTEL	\$452.00
CITY OF RAPID CITY	BLOOD ANALYSIS	\$760.00
ROMEY, CODY	REISSUED CHECK	\$114.00
ROMEY, GARY	REISSUED CHECK	\$585.00
SCHNOSE, KIM	REISSUED CHECK	\$623.50
SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	BLOOD DRAW ANALYSIS	\$1,245.00
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	AUTO/MI STATE REMITT	\$60.00
STAY USA HOTEL & SUITES	WITNESS/HOTEL	\$75.00
SERVALL	RUGS AND MATS SERVIC	\$415.26
SOFTWARE SERVICES INC	SOFTWARE SERVICES	\$528.00

SOUTHERN HILLS LAW PLLC	CAAF	\$2,333.77
HASKVITZ, LAREE	BLOOD DRAW	\$1,350.00
NORTON, MIKAYLA	REISSUED CHECK	\$225.00
THE PAHA SAPA FOUNDATION	REISSUED CHECK	\$38.00
TRUGREEN COMMERCIAL	CONTRACT SERVICE	\$118.07
ULBERG, DARWYN	REISSUED CHECK	\$300.00
VANGUARD APPRAISALS INC	SOFTWARE TRAINING	\$350.00
THOMSON REUTERS	SUBSCRIPTION	\$426.99
WESTERN SD JUV SERV CTR	JUVENILE SERVICES	\$11,400.00
MURDOCK, BRUCE	REISSUED CHECK	\$19.23
DRYDEN, DICK	REISSUED CHECK	\$693.30
YOUNGBERG LAW, PROF LLC	QMHP/MI	\$214.00
NELSEN, PAUL	REISSUED CHECK	\$137.00
SIMUNEK, DIANE	REISSUED CHECK	\$11.98
IRONBOY, FAYE	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.74
GRAF, VALARIE	PROPERTY TAX REFUND	\$61.76
MARKHAM, RUTHANN	REISSUED CHECK	\$10.74
LIEN, CODY	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.74
BRENNA, SUE	REISSUED CHECK	\$29.93
BEHRENS, DONNA	REISSUED CHECK	\$15.18
BROYLES, LUCAS	REISSUED CHECK	\$13.70
HENDERSON, SUSAN	REISSUED CHECK	\$63.80
MARSHALL, NANCY	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.74
VANDEBERG, MARY	PROPERTY TAX REFUND	\$87.43
WEBER, MARION	REISSUED CHECK	\$32.20
MANKE, DANIELLE	REISSUED CHECK	\$32.20
BURROWS, MARY	REISSUED CHECK	\$61.48
SIMUNEK, CARLA	REISSUED CHECK	\$364.59
MCCLUNG, TARI	REISSUED CHECK	\$50.74
NACHTIGALL, BRETT	REISSUED CHECK	\$10.00
HOFER, CORY	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.64
MOREN, KEVEN	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.74
LOCKHART, DALE	REISSUED CHECK	\$79.99
LAMONT, TIM	REISSUED CHECK	\$49.60
KNODELL, JACK	REISSUED CHECK	\$58.40
WAGONER, TONIA	REISSUED CHECK	\$12.22
MCCOMB, DEANN	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.74
SPILLANE, CHRISTA	REISSUED CHECK	\$130.00
MONCUR, DEAN	REISSUED CHECK	\$51.45
AABERT, ROBERT	REISSUED CHECK	\$57.40
BLESSING, JASON	REISSUED CHECK	\$10.74
MOSSETT, CAITLYN	REISSUED CHECK	\$52.22
GILLISPIE, RHONDA	REISSUED CHECK	\$88.78
HALLS, TERRI	REISSUED CHECK	\$42.04

MILES, SASHA	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.74
MILES, SASHA	BLOOD DRAW	\$450.00
HAACKE, JOANN	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.00
STANLEY, JACKLYN	REISSUED CHECK	\$20.63
MAHAFFEY, GARY	REISSUED CHECK	\$17.50
OLSON, TYLER	REISSUED CHECK	\$34.17
COMMISSION	JUNE SALARIES	\$4,350.00
AUDITOR	JUNE SALARIES	\$18,992.89
TREASURER	JUNE SALARIES	\$17,966.10
ST ATTY	JUNE SALARIES	\$17,150.04
MAINTENANCE	JUNE SALARIES	\$11,186.02
ASSESSOR	JUNE SALARIES	\$20,319.30
REG/DEEDS	JUNE SALARIES	\$12,886.83
VSO	JUNE SALARIES	\$4,540.03
SHERIFF	JUNE SALARIES	\$52,728.12
JAIL	JUNE SALARIES	\$34,945.67
CORONER	JUNE SALARIES	\$600.00
NURSE	JUNE SALARIES	\$2,580.75
EXTENSION	JUNE SALARIES	\$2,584.63
WEED & PEST	JUNE SALARIES	\$6,038.11
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$270,701.63
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE		
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	LOADER SCALE	\$14,814.17
CHEYENNE SANITATION	SANITATION COLLECTIO	\$79.00
CITY OF EDGEMONT	CITY OF EDGEMONT WAT	\$87.40
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$8.25
GOLDEN WEST	PHONE BILL/LONG DIST	\$260.82
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS	CITY WATER BILL	\$45.85
MASTERCARD	COUNTY CREDIT CARD	\$118.69
MCKIE FORD LINCOLN INC.	NEW CHEV TRUCK HIGHW	\$46,342.00
SD DEPT OF REV & REG.	TITLE/PLATE	\$26.70
GRAF, VALARIE	PROPERTY TAX REFUND	\$10.16
CRBR ADMIN	JUNE SALARIES	\$9,825.35
CRBR	JUNE SALARIES	\$43,436.29
	TOTAL FOR ROAD & BRIDGE	\$115,054.68
911 SURCHARGE		
CENTURY BUSINESS LEASING	COPIER LEASE & METER	\$93.52
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$8.25
GOLDEN WEST	PHONE BILL/LONG DIST	\$884.79
MASTERCARD	COUNTY CREDIT CARD	\$6.00
DISPATCH	JUNE SALARIES	\$25,158.13
	TOTAL FOR 911 SURCHARGE	\$26,150.69
EMERGENCY MGT		
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$16.50

GOLDEN WEST	PHONE BILL/LONG DIST	\$155.35
MASTERCARD	COUNTY CREDIT CARD	\$155.14
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE	\$5.40
RUSHMORE COMMUNICATIONS	SERVICE	\$115.00
SD FEDERAL PROPERTY AG	SUPPLY	\$115.00
FR EMERG	JUNE SALARIES	\$7,056.72
	TOTAL FOR EMERGENCY MGT	\$7,619.11
24/7 SOBRIETY FUND		
DRUG TESTS IN BULK	24/7 SUPPLY	\$1,350.00
INTOXIMETERS	SUPPLY	\$325.00
SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	24/7 LABS	\$140.00
	TOTAL FOR 24/7 SOBRIETY FUND	\$1,815.00
	TOTAL PAID BETWEEN 06/16-07/06/2023	\$421,341.11

Break was taken at 9:40 am.

The meeting resumed at 9:54 am.

Dan Cullen, Veteran Service Officer, met with the Board to present his quarterly report noting that VSO's across South Dakota have assisted in getting approximately \$3 million in benefits for Veterans. It was also discussed that the State is doing studies regarding regionalizing vs. County VSOs. The Board is against that happening.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve VSO travel request for the Annual Veteran Service Officer Conference in Sioux Falls August 10th and 11th, 2023.

Dustin Ross, Andersen Engineers, met with the Board to present 3 plats for review. O'Connor and Fairbank Tract; Harris Tract 1, Harris Tract 2 and Harris Tract 3; Lots 77 thru 82 of Red Rock Ridge Subdivision. The VHHP and Ackerman Tract plat was not ready at this point.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Greenough, to approve the following plats:

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2023-28

**O'CONNOR TRACT AND FAIRBANK TRACT,
LOCATED IN THE SW1/4SW1/4 OF SECTION 29, T7S, R6E, BHM, FALL RIVER COUNTY,
SOUTH DAKOTA**

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the County Commissioners of Fall River County, South Dakota, the within plat of the above described lands, and it appearing to this Board that the system of streets conforms to the system of streets of existing plats and section lines of the county; adequate provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or section line when physically accessible; all provisions of the county subdivision regulations have been complied with; all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid; and the plat and survey have been lawfully executed; now and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that said plat is hereby approved in all respects.

Dated this 20 day of July, 2023.

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

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2023-29

**HARRIS TRACT 1, HARRIS TRACT 2, AND HARRIS TRACT 3, LOCATED IN THE NW1/4
OF SECTION 15, T8S, R6E, BHM, FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the County Commissioners of Fall River County, South Dakota, the within plat of the above described lands, and it appearing to this Board that the system of streets conforms to the system of streets of existing plats and section lines of the county; adequate provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or section line when physically accessible; all provisions of the county subdivision regulations have been complied with; all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid; and the plat and survey have been lawfully executed; now and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that said plat is hereby approved in all respects.

Dated this 20 day of July, 2023.

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

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2023-30

**LOTS 77 THRU 82 OF RED ROCK RIDGE SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN SECTION 15, T8S,
R5E, BHM, FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the County Commissioners of Fall River County, South Dakota, the within plat of the above described lands, and it appearing to this Board that the system of streets conforms to the system of streets of existing plats and section lines of the county; adequate provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or section line when physically accessible; all provisions of the county subdivision regulations have been complied with; all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid; and the plat and survey have been lawfully executed; now and therefore,

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Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje
Fall River County Auditor

Joe Falkenburg, Board Chairman, addressed the public regarding the 30X30 Land Bill. He noted that the BLM has purchased 30,000 acres in Wyoming and may continue bidding and purchasing more acreage, to which he is very concerned.

Joe Falkenburg also addressed the public regarding HB86 involving Tax Reform, noting that John Scheltens and Don Olstad have been working with District 30 Representative Trish Ladner providing proposals. Draft Bill 87 was also discussed.

Public comment was heard. Uriah Luallin expressed concerns about the 30X30 Land Bill, and the current property tax system, noting that a ¼ acre of non-ag land is valued higher than 40 acres of agriculture land. Teresa Pullen, Treasurer, updated the board on the 3 returned checks on the June Auditor's Account with the County Auditor – 1 was paid and 2 were turned over to the State's Attorney and Sheriff's Office. Lance Russell, State's Attorney, commented on the newly built Chilson bridge and wishes to commend the County Highway Department and the Commissioners for making it happen. Heath Greenough, Commissioner, spoke of the SD Canvassing meeting he attended, and their concerns of strange things happening in the state with voter registration and votes counted. He noted issues on the Box Elder campground with 64 hookups, and 13,654 000 registered voter and that 60 % of the votes of the last election came from that campground precinct. His recommendation is to get rid of the tabulators and hand count ballots during elections and clean up voter registration lists. He would like Fall River County to move to this and lead by example. Falkenburg expressed concern that this would be a hardship for Auditors, ie. finding additional election workers willing to do the hand counting, plus the cost. Vice Chairman Russell noted questions, and shared belief that those individuals may be avoiding costs in their own states, and some may be snowbirds. A new residency law was passed in the 2023 session. Greenough provided documents he received from Mike Mueller that included letters and information on the C02 pipelines and data. It is being recommended for counties to write letters to the Public Utilities Commission to oppose the use of eminent domain for private gain by Summit Carbon Solutions.

Sue Ganje, Auditor met with the Board to review 2024 budget requests. This will be brought back when salaries can be included. Also, to request the Board to enter into a contract with Black Hills Exteriors for the multi roof replacement project as no bids were received on July 6, 2023.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve entering into a contract with Black Hills Exteriors for the multi roof replacement project.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Greenough, to go into executive session for personnel and legal at 11:20 am.

The Board came out of executive session at 11:43 am

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to adjourn at 11:44 am.

/s/ Joe Falkenburg

Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Board of Fall River County Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/ Sue Ganje, Auditor

Sue Ganje, Auditor

Fall River County