

FALL RIVER COUNTY UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF DECEMBER 27, 2024

The Fall River Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on December 27, 2024. Present: Joe Allen, Les Cope, Joe Falkenburg, Heath Greenough, Deb Russell and Sue Ganje, Auditor.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given, and the meeting was 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 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 Fall River County Commission Meeting minutes from December 19, 2024.

Tony March, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board.

Motion made by Cope, seconded by Greenough, to approve the Fall River County Highway Department Approach Permit from Tracy Killmer on the north side of Badger Clark Road (#87A) to serve a residence.

March then provided updates.

Andersen Engineers met with the Board.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve Fall River County Resolution #2024-96 as follows:

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2024-96

A PLAT OF LOT 32 OF SHEP'S CANYON ESTATES SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THE SW1/4 SE1/4 OF SECTION 22 AND THE NW1/4 NE1/4 OF SECTION 27, 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,

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

Dated this 27th day of December, 2024.

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

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, Auditor
Fall River County Auditor

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Greenough, to approve Fall River County Resolution #2024-97 as follows:

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2024-97

A PLAT OF OWL’S NEST TRACT REVISED, LOCATED IN THE SW1/4 SECTION 15 AND N1/2NW1/4 SECTION 22, T7S, R5E, BHM, FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA
(Formerly Owl’s Nest Tract and Lot 3 of Cedar Hills Subdivision)

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Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Fall River County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, Auditor
Fall River County Auditor

Clark Brown, County resident, met with the Board to present a plat.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve Fall River County Resolution #2024-98 as follows:

FALL RIVER COUNTY RESOLUTION #2024-98

A PLAT OF LOTS 18A AND 18B OF RIDGEVIEW SPRINGS SUBDIVISION, located in the N1/2 of Section 6, T7S, R6E, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota (formerly Lot 18 of Ridgeview Springs Subdivision)

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, Auditor
Fall River County Auditor

Sue Ganje, Auditor, met with the Board to review the General Fund Surplus Cash Analysis.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen to remove the Rural Attorney Recruitment Program designation in the amount of \$22,500.00; designate an additional \$200,000 for the Courthouse HVAC for A total of \$650,000.00; to designate an additional \$450,000 to the jail for a total of \$1,140,750; to designate \$250,000.00 for the Sprinklers and Alarm system in the Courthouse and jail; to keep designation of \$565,750.00 for gravel and to designate \$1,068,600.00 to chip seal projects. With Greenough voting no, all others voting yes, motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND		
CPS TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS	SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	\$2,658.00
DEPT OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT	FRC 2023 FISCAL AUDIT	\$25,850.00
FALL RIVER COUNTY HERALD	PUBLICATION	\$349.26
MCGAS PROPANE	UTILITY/GOV PROPANE	\$11,381.68
MCGLUMPHY, ERIN	REIMBURSEMENT	\$1,722.22
MCLEODS OFFICE SUPPLY CO.	SUPPLY	\$131.00
MEADE COUNTY AUDITOR	INMATE HOUSING	\$2,850.00
PHEASANTLAND INDUSTRIES	911 SIGNAGE	\$595.72
RUSSELL, LANCE	REIMBURSEMENT	\$70.00
SD ASSOC.OF CO. OFFICIALS	COUNTY MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$2,734.00
SHARP, BEN	LOST CHECK REIMBURSE	\$255.15
COMMISSION	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$5,673.52
AUDITOR	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$29,079.36
TREASURER	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$23,691.83
ST ATTY	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$21,985.60
MAINTENANCE	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$13,021.98
ASSESSOR	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$22,612.47
REG/DEEDS	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$15,668.61
VET'S	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$5,286.65
GIS	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$5,917.82
SHERIFF	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$69,182.33
JAIL	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$32,233.78
CORONER	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$165.76
EXTENSION	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$3,934.48
WEED	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$6,243.77
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$303,294.99
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE		

A & B WELDING SUPPLY CO.	SUPPLY	\$42.37
BLESSING, BRETT	REIMBURSEMENT	\$87.61
BOMGAARS	SUPPLY	\$249.42
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$7,475.41
FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	PARTS	\$1,430.08
FALL RIVER AUTO SUPPLY	SUPPLY/PARTS	\$30.33
FLETCHER, BRIAN	EQUIPMENT	\$3,000.00
FALL RIVER COUNTY HERALD	PUBLICATION	\$89.75
GODFREY BRAKE SERVICE	PARTS/SUPPLY	\$273.98
GRIMM'S PUMP SERVICE INC	SUPPLY/PARTS	\$38.48
SIMON MATERIALS	GRAVEL	\$31,512.02
HOT SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLY	\$80.95
MG OIL	FUEL/SUPPLY	\$937.50
MARTY'S TIRE & AUTO BODY	SUPPLY/INVENTORY	\$1,460.00
STURDEVANT'S AUTO VALUE	PARTS/SUPPLY	\$133.78
CRBR HWY	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$60,279.04
CRBR ADMIN	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$11,438.22
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	\$118,558.94
911 SURCHARE REIMBURSEMENT		
QUINTANA, VERONICA	REIMBURSEMENT	\$200.24
DISPATCH	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$32,672.64
	TOTAL FOR 911 SURCHARGE REIMBURSEMENT	\$32,872.88
EMERGENCY MGMT		
FALL RIVER COUNTY HERALD	PUBLICATION	\$26.00
F.R.EMERG.	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$6,834.17
	TOTAL FOR EMERGENCY MGMT	\$6,860.17
24/7 SOBRIETY FUND		
SHERIFF	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$2,312.33
	TOTAL FOR 24/7 SOBRIETY FUND	\$2,312.33
COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND		
SPOT WRANGLERS	SERVICE	\$5,724.00
	TOTAL FOR COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND	\$5,724.00
	TOTAL FOR BILLS PAID BETWEEN 12-20 AND 12-27-2024	\$469,623.31

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Cope, to approve and sign the letter of support for the Tax Relief for Property Owners group. Deb Russell read the letter out loud. The Auditor's Office will send the letter out to the SDACO, SDACC, Governor, SD Department of Revenue, to our local legislators, and other specific legislators.

Break was taken at 9:56 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:06 a.m.

Joe Falkenburg, Commissioner, asked for Public Comment. Robert Paul, County resident, representing a group called Tax Relief for Property Owners, thanked the Board for the letter of support that was provided and will be sent to our local Legislators, Governor, and a certain group of additional Legislators. Cheryl Fair, County resident, questioned what Union the County employees have, which is LIUNA (Local 620), and then asked about social media and who provides public information, who would be Public Information Officers. Andrea Powers, representing SHEDCO, invited the Board to their annual banquet that will be held January 17, 2025, at Jalapenos. Susan Henderson, County resident, provided her input regarding prior hardships that people have faced and that she wishes not to repeat history. She also expressed her opposition to a new Justice Center/Jail facility.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve the 2025 Fall River County/Oglala Lakota County contract and authorize the Chairman to sign. With Greenough and Cope voting no, all others voting yes, motion carried.

No Executive Session was needed

Falkenburg declared the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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

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