

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
April 3, 2012

Chairman Ronald Petersen called the meeting to order with Commissioners Lloyd Lutter and Donita Loudner present; none absent.

Highway Superintendent Ken Wulff reported that a culvert will be needed in the Jim Anderson approach. Lutter moved to approve purchase of a culvert, seconded by Loudner. Vote: Lutter-Aye; Loudner-Aye. Motion carried.

Tom Luke discussed gravel needs with the Board. He is currently crushing gravel in the NE part of the county and offered to construct a pile under a bid from Jackson County that he had been awarded. Mr. Luke stated he would charge Buffalo County \$3.50 per ton plus 75 cents royalties to the landowner. After discussion, Loudner moved to authorize 8000 ton crushed gravel, seconded by Lutter. Vote: Loudner-Aye; Lutter-Aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding purchasing a belly dump truck or hiring gravel hauling. It was determined to be more feasible for County to make close hauls and contract for longer hauls.

The Highway Superintendent presented a list of road sites needing repairs and roads requiring gravel. Lutter moved to authorize Bull It Angus to haul gravel for five miles of 355 Avenue at \$365 per ton, seconded by Loudner. Vote: Lutter-Aye; Loudner-Aye. Motion carried. County will provide the loader.

Discussion was held on classification of roads. Commissioner Lutter provided new road policy options. The Board will review the matter further.

Lutter moved to approve the fuel quote from Darrell's Oil, Inc. for unleaded gas @ \$3.87 per gal; Ethanol gas @ \$3.81 per gal; Diesel #2 dyed @ \$3.76 per gal, seconded by Loudner, to be delivered to Buffalo County fuel tanks for the month of April 2012. Vote: Lutter-Aye Loudner-Aye. Motion carried.

Wanda Wells, CCST Historic Preservation Officer, discussed the protocol, regulations, and procedures regarding any construction or disturbance of ground within the Reservation boundaries when Federal funding is used.

The Board discussed reinforcing a burn ban and reviewed a proposed ban. The matter was tabled until the next meeting after the Fire Department has been contacted. The Board highly recommends anyone wishing to do a controlled burn, to first contact the Fire Department before initiating any burn.

Lutter moved to authorize Buffalo County be closed Good Friday afternoon as Gov. Daugaard has permitted State Offices be closed Good Friday afternoon for the Easter Holiday, seconded by Loudner. Vote: Lutter-Aye; Loudner-Aye. Motion carried.

Hospital Notices were reviewed.

Loudner moved to deny an application for Poor Relief Assistance #4-12 received from Avera McKennan Hospital due to not having sufficient evidence to determine eligibility, seconded by Lutter. Vote: Loudner-Aye; Lutter-Aye. Motion carried. Other payment sources may be available.

Julie O'Neil met with the Board regarding a liquor license for the Prairie Chicken. She was advised to obtain a Tribal license and resolution before submitting an application to the County.

Lutter moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Loudner, to meet Tuesday, May 1, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. The Board will meet as an Equalization Board on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at 1:00 p.m.