THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS was brought to order by Chair Tiffani Landeen at 8:30 a.m. on February 2, 2021 with Commissioners Joel Arends, Jim C. Jibben, Michael Poppens, and Jim Schmidt present. Deputy Auditor, Shaun Feilmeier, served as Clerk of the Board. Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney, William Golden, was also present.

ROUTINE BUSINESS:
MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends to approve agenda. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

Longevity:
Gen. Gov. Bldg $600.00; FICA 37.20, Medicare 8.70, SDRS 36.00
Sheriff's $1,950.00; FICA 120.90, Medicare 28.28, SDRS 136
Communications $1,000.00; FICA 62.00, Medicare 14.50, SDRS 60.00

Reports:
The January 2021 Emergency Management mileage report was presented.

CONSENT AGENDA:
MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens to approve Consent Agenda items. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens to approve Commission Minutes: 1/26/2021. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve abatement for 096.51.01.2030 in the amount of $1,715.10 for the tax year 2020 payable 2021 due to the taxpayer should have received the Veterans exemption. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to declare as surplus and remove from inventory the following from Emergency Management: Item 2251, Channel UHF Radio, Motorola, no longer needed; Item 2459, Portable Printer, HP Deskjet, no longer works; Item 2509, VHF Portable Radio, Motorola, no longer needed; Item 2810, Portable Radio Charger, Motorola, no longer needed; Item 2811, GPS Unit, Garmin, no longer works. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to accept resignation of Stacey Clay Namminga, District #2 Planning Commission Member, effective 1.25.2021. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to apply Detective differential pay of $1.00/hour to Deputy Leah Strochein effective 1.18.2021. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the CARES Act Airport Grant Close-Out Report. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:
No public chose to speak at this time.

COMMISSIONER REPORT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY):
Commissioner Arends reported on the status of the Public Defender applicant process: he and Commissioner Landeen met with the applicants and are now fine-tuning offers. Arends also recommended the public sign up for email notifications on the new County website.

Commissioner Schmidt reported on the recent Sale of Champions results from the Livestock Show.

REGULAR BUSINESS:
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: William Golden, Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney, informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to Q7 Hangar Lease transfer as well as a potential farmland lease at the property south of Tea. Discussion consisted of concerns of protecting the wetland area. Toby Brown, Director of Planning & Zoning informed the Board that the farmland lease would not interfere with their ability to do a feasibility study for a drainage pond there.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Q7 Lease Termination with Steve Carlstrom and the Q7 Lease Agreement with Novne Aviation Inc. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Auditor to advertise for sealed bids for farmland lease at the property legally described as The Northeast Quarter (NEl/4) of Section 36, Township 100, Range 51 West of the 5th P.M., Except the West 370.42 Feet of the East 2,132.80 Feet of the North 823. 17, Lincoln County, South Dakota. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Shaun Feilmeier, Deputy Auditor, informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to a short-form agreement with HDR to re-apply for grants to help fund the 85th Street Interchange Project. Commissioner Schmidt commented that he was attempting to recruit assistance from the City of Sioux Falls and adjacent landowners to pay for this re-application.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Short Form Agreement with HDR Engineering Inc for Professional Services: FY 2021 grants for 85th St Project. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Shaun Feilmeier, Deputy Auditor, informed the Board of a request from the City of Sioux Falls Sustainability Coordinator, Holly Meier, for a Lincoln County representative on the City of Sioux Falls Solid Waste Planning Board. The Board discussed options for best fit and current overtime demands.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to table the appointment to the City of Sioux Falls Solid Waste Planning Board until February 2, 2021, meeting. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Jake Oakland, Information Technology Director, presented to the Board and public new features and organization of the Lincoln County website: lincolncountysd.org. These features included easier access to information, applications, and permits as well as a much more transparent and accessible Agendas & Minutes page. Public can now sign up for notifications when agendas, minutes, bid requests, and proposal requests are published. Oakland also commented that the appeals process for property assessments will also be updated to include a way to submit appeals online to local and County Boards of Equalization.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Sheri Lund, Auditor, explained new agenda scheduling practices to provide the public with an easier time following meetings viewed remotely and in person by following agendas item order. Scheduled items such as Public Hearings and Bids will be in the beginning of Regular Business and follow their order preventing the Board from needing to alter agenda order and/or take long recesses. The Board agreed to this improvement.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Commissioner Schmidt informed the Board of the large workload for the Human Resource Director and Veteran Services Officer. Schmidt proposed hiring a full-time aid to be split between the two departments. He continued to ask to table this item until the next meeting in order for these department heads to communicate supporting information to the rest of the Board.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to table the topic of a new full-time position to support Veteran Services Officer and the Human Resources Department. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: “Aye” Jibben: “Aye” Poppens: “Aye” Schmidt: “Aye” Landeen: “Aye”. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Commissioner Jibben informed the Board that he has received communication form one of his constituents regarding interest in filling the recent vacancy of the Planning Commission District #2 representative. Jibben asked the Board if they wanted to proceed with appointing this individual at the next meeting or if they instead wanted to advertise for letters of interest. The Board seemed to be accepting of both strategies. It was commented that it has been very difficult to garner interest in these positions in the past and that appointing the person who has already shown interest might save time. It was decided to appoint the individual at the next meeting.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Julia Disburg, Human Resources Director, informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to a couple personnel items as well as the possible extension of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act leave.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to end the employment of William Winter, 911 Dispatcher, effective 1.23.2021. MOTION by Arends and seconded by Poppens. Arends: “Aye” Jibben: “Aye” Poppens: “Aye” Schmidt: “Aye” Landeen: “Aye”. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the resignation of Cari O'Dell, Property Technician - Department of Equalization, effective 2.25.2021. MOTION by Arends and seconded by Jibben. Arends: “Aye” Jibben: “Aye” Poppens: “Aye” Schmidt: “Aye” Landeen: “Aye”. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to extend the Families First Coronavirus Response Act leave for Lincoln County employees until March 31, 2021. MOTION by Arends and seconded by Schmidt. Arends: “Aye” Jibben: “Aye” Poppens: “Aye” Schmidt: “Aye” Landeen: “Aye”. Motion carried.

MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends to adjourn at 9:15 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. on February 9, 2021. Arends: “Aye” Jibben: “Aye” Poppens: “Aye” Schmidt: “Aye” Landeen: “Aye”. Motion carried.

Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

/s/

Tiffani Landeen, Lincoln County Chair

Attest: _______________/s/____________
Shaun Feilmeier, Deputy Auditor

Approved February 9, 2021

Please publish the week of February 15, 2021.