

Brown County Emergency Director Scott Meints talks about the procedure in the high school gym before the shooter event drill was to begin. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



It has been a year and a half in the making, and on Wednesday morning, a variety of agencies gathered at the Groton Area High School where an active shooter drill was played out.

"If it would have been a real event, there would have been many, many more law enforcement other agencies here," said Superintendent Joe Schwan. "Everyone in Northeast South Dakota would have been here." Groton's surveillance system would be tied into the Brown County Emergency Management van.

Scott Meints, Brown County Emergency Management Director, said of the exercise, "I think it went really well. We tested the procedures and policies of the school. I hope we find some weaknesses, nothing critical, but we can learn and tweak the policies and plan. We'll be talking about it in the after action meeting. We'll talk about what went right and what we need to work on. There will be some follow-up meetings in the weeks to come We'll compile all the information from the evaluators and the participants we'll put together a game plan of what we need to look at and maybe make better."

In the event of an active shooter, both the elementary and the high school buildings would be in lock down. The outside doors would immediately be locked. All students would immediately go to a room where the teachers would lock and secure the doors and send the students to a predetermined safe wall. Once the shooter was reprimanded, a generic message would be sent through the school's all-call system, instructing parents where to go for the reunification process. "Every room would have to be cleared in an active situation," Meints said. "We would start the reunification processes as soon as we can. Obviously it's going to take a considerable amount of time and there will be some parents that will be a little over anxious," he said. "It's critical that parents understand that we're here to keep your kids safe and the folks are doing their best to make that happen. They need to be patient in the reunification process. It is not something that happens with the snap of a finger. It's going to be hoouurs

Patti Woods from the Brown County Emergency Management office helped to coordiante between law enforcement and fire and rescue. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



in a real event. That's one of the hardest things is the reunification process."

Schwan said that when both schools go into lock down, the law enforcement would be the only ones to allow one school to be released.

Over the years, the school board has invested a lot of money in the district's surveillance system. Schwan said, "The school's surveillance system worked surprisingly well. The whole exercise went well and it was a learning experience."

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The two evaluators for the Groton Area School were Mike Kroll, Warner School Superintendent, and Jim Block, Webster Area School Superintendent. Groton Area Superintendent Joe Schwan was talking with them after the event. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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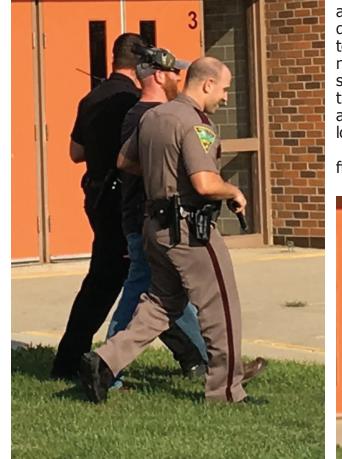
Members of Groton Fire and Rescue help several people who were shot at the event. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Shooter Drill Continued from front

Meints said that Groton Area was the first rural Brown County School to have this drill. It has been done in two other schools in Aberdeen. "It takes a lot of time, a lot of money and a lot of people to pull this off," Meints said. "We did one small table top session to prepare ourselves last summer. And we're doing this the day before school starts so it's fresh in everyone's mind." When asked why the drill wasn't done during a school day, he said, "We didn't want to put the stress on the kids. If we would have been here with a full school day, there would be considerable stress for those students and we felt we didn't want to do that. We felt, though, that it was important enough for us to practice."

The agencies that were involved besides the Groton Area School included the Groton Police Department, Groton Fire and Rescue, Brown County Emergency Management, Brown County Sheriff and the South Dakota Highway Patrol. Agencies that came to help evaluate were Codington County Emergency Management, Hamlin Co Sheriff's Office, SD DCI, Avera St Luke's, Webster Area School District, Warner School District, SD Office of Emergency Management.

Schwan said that each agency had two observers (wearing yellow vests). Evaluators wore a white vest and the media wore a red vest. Meints said there were close to 80 people involved. Schwan said that the school had about that many as well involved with the event. Diane Kurtz, one of the teachers, described what she did once the school was forced into





Members of Groton Fire and Rescue check on a casualty of the event, who happened to be Andrea Eisenbeisz, the local coroner. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

lock down. "We closed the door and locked it. The door was barricaded with student desks and an extension cord was used to tie it from one door handle with another one. We went to the safe wall designated with a picture of a tiger. We turned off the lights and sat quietly." Kurtz said she normally had 19 to 25 students in her classroom. "I've never had problems with the students during a drill." To prepare for the event, Kurtz said that she reviewed a safety handbook. "I feel I'm prepared as much as you possibly can be."

It makes you think about different scenarios. I feel prepared as much as you possibly can be.

Groton Police Officer Jerry Bjerke was the first "live" officer to enter the building. "When I got here," he said, "we already had an officer down and that's not a good feeling. In a real life situation, 99.5 percent of the students are locked in their rooms. You're going to have some casualties because some will not be locked in a room." Bjerke's advice to students: "Get in a room and secure it. When the school goes into lock-down, the students are suppose to be in a room immediately and lock the door."

Of the event, Schwan said, "Everyone did a fine job." - Paul Kosel

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Officer Justin Cleveland and a SD Highway Patrolman reprimanded the "shooter" who was played by Ross Erickson of the Brown County Sheriff's Office. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Groton officers Jerry Bjerke and David Hunter run to the scene. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



South Dakota Farmers Union Foundation Awards \$1,000 Scholarship to Lily Cutler

HURON, S.D.—Lily Cutler of Claremont, SD, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the South Dakota Farmers Union Foundation's annual Insuring a Brighter Tomorrow scholarship program.

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Lily Cutler is the daughter of James & Lisa Cutler. Lily plans to attend South Dakota School of Mines and Technology and will major in Chemical Engineering.

Soccer teams at Belle Fourche

The Groton soccer teams traveled to Belle Fourche on Friday where the girls tied with the home team and the boys lost by one goal.

The girls team ended the game with a 2-2 tie. Harleigh Stange scored both goals and both were assisted by Emily Locke. Devan Howard had five saves as the goalie.

Belle Fourche boys edged Groton Area, 3-2. Wyatt Locke had 15 saves. Clayton Kurtz had one goal on a penalty kick and Belle Fourche scored Groton's other goalie by mistake.







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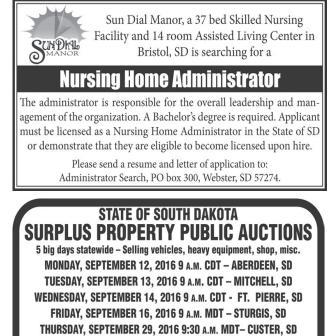
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Frederick Area School August 22 Meeting

OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEED-INGS FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL

DISTRICT #6-2 August 22, 2016

The special meeting was called to order on August 22, 2016 at 7:20 p.m. by Chair-man Richard Schlosser with Jon Ellwein, Dan Nickelson and Eric Sumption present_ Others present were Knute Reierson, Jessica Ringgenberg and Deb Klapperich.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

Action 16-29 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to approve the amended agenda. All aye, carried.

Action 16-30 Motion by Sumption, second by Nickelson to enter into executive session at 7:23 pm. All aye, carried.

Chairman Schlosser declared out of executive session at 8:17

Action 16-31 Motion by Nickelson, second by Ellwein to accept the open enrollment applications from families A, B, C, D, E, F and All aye, carried.

Action 16-32 Motion by Sumption, second by Nickelson to adjust the home school application of family A. Action 16-33 Motion by Ell-

wein second by Nickelson to adjourn. All aye, carried

Chairman Business Manager

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF BROWN IN THE MATTER OF THE

ESTATE OF DONALD M. WALTER, DE-

CEASED NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN CIRCUIT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 06PR0.16-088

Notice is given that on the 8th day of July, 2016, Allen Walter, whose address is set forth below, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Donald M. Walter.

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Boys golf team places fourth at Milbank

The Groton boy's golf team went to Milbank on August 18th where the team placed fourth in a field of eight teams. Sisseton and Aberdeen Roncalli tied for first with 332 points followed by Sioux Valley with 378, Groton Area with 385, Watertown had 387 points, Aberdeen Central 421, Milbank Area 422 and Redfield-Doland with 459 points.

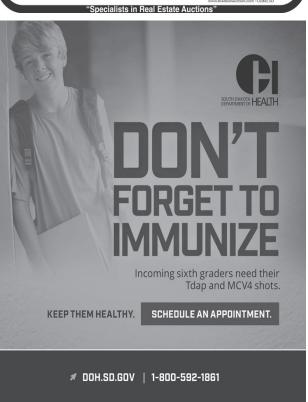
Cade Guthmiller placed 10th with a score of 91, Sean Schuring was 13th with a 93, Landon Marzahn was 17th with a 95 and Hunter Schaller was 28th with a score of 106.

The golf team will travel to Redfield tomorrow to take part in the Northeast Conference meet starting at 10 a.m.

Groton Garden Club

The Groton Garden Club met at the home of Deb Olson August 15, at 5:30 p.m. Pam Rix assisted her. Following supper, 11 members answered roll call with what they did at the Brown County Fair. A thank you was read from John and Dodie Martin for naming their yard "Yard of the Week." Yard of the week winners for July were Ron and Katherine Rehfuss, Rob and Jeanne Wanous, Michelle Fordham and Rose Waage. The SD state board meeting will be held October 29, 9:30 in Watertown. It was decided to hold a plant sale in conjunction with the fall rummage, September 10th at the City Park. 8am till noon. Next meeting will be September 19, at 5:30 pm with Linda Anderson and Marj Overacker hosting at Golden Living Center. Linda Gengerke will have the program.





Soccer teams lose to St. Thomas More

The Groton girls soccer team played at St. Thomas More on Saturday and suffered a 5-1 loss to the host team. Harleigh Stange had one goal. Devan Howard had five saves.

The boys team lost, 10-0. Wyatt Locke had seven saves.

Next action for the soccer teams will be Saturday when both teams will host Vermillion. The girls play at 2 p.m. and the boys play at 4 p.m.

Groton Area School August 8 Meeting

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION GROTON AREA SCHOOL DIS-TRICT NO. 06-6

REGULAR MEETING August 8, 2016

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Fielstad, Gengerke, Harder, Kjelden, Rix, Smith and Weismantel. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principals A. Schwan and B. Schwan, and Business Manager Weber.

Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to approve the agenda with amendments under New Business Item #1a – approve lease agreement with Groton City, under New Business Item #9a – approve resignation of Vonnie Lutz and under New Business Item #9b - approve open enrollments #17-16 and #17-17. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Fielstad to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: school of record agenda items for North Central Special Ed Coop, District minutes of July 11, 12, 21, 26(a) and 26(b), bills, financial reports, agency reports and investments and transportation requests from Langford Area in accordance with SDCL 13-29-Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary - 50,019.46; FIT - 6,109.67; Medicare - 1,864.12; FICA - 7,970.76; Washington National - 98.40; SD Retirement - 7,561.80; First National Bank 100.00; Waddell & Reed -664.22; AFLAC – 773.80; Delta Dental - 1,069.04; SD Supplemental Retirement - 350.03; Wellmark BCBS - 19,246.00; Reliastar Life – 78.83; A&B Business - batteries, 306.36; Agency Fund – advance payments 77,580.05; Benco Equipment inspection, 347.00; Blick Art Materials – supplies, 2,374.73; Carquest – filters, 12.18; Cedar Shore Resort - lodging, 183.90; City of Groton - utilities/services, 8,379.84; Cole Papers - supplies, 4,535.67; Connecting Point services, 4,000.00; Council on College Admission - registrations, 145.00; L. Cox - physical, 95.00; Crawford Trucks - parts, 310.95; Dependable Sanitation services, 1,238.00; Eric Armin Inc - supplies, 84.60; Groton Chiropractic – physicals, 190.00; Groton Daily Independent - legal notices, 568.95; J. Guthmiller class fee, 35.00; Hauff Mid-America – supplies, 1,059.96; Hillyard – supplies/services, 15,117.28; Hub City Flooring services, 340.00; Innovative Office Solutions - supplies, 168.71; JW Pepper – music, 55.99; James Valley Telecomm. services, 824.94; Jerke Irrigation – repairs, 182.72; Library Store – supplies, 105.53; Lodae at Deadwood – lodging, 242.00; Nasco – supplies, 27.40; NCS Pearson - online subscriptions, 2,344.13; Northwestern Energy - utilities, 11.17; Premier Agendas – planners, 122.33: Renaissance Learning - online subscriptions, 11,331.40; Riddell - services, 2,878.57; Scholastic – subscriptions, 1,194.89; School Datebooks - planners, 64.50; School Specialty - supplies, 2,548.07; J. Schwan – meals, 15.00; SD Teacher Placement Center - membership, 420.00; SDASBO - registration, \$50.00; Sewer Saver – services, 2,338.44; Supreme School Supply – supplies, 391.92; Taylor Music – supplies, 182.37; Training Room – supplies, 1,408.68; S. Wanner – class fee, 35.00. Total General Fund - \$239,754.36. CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B Business - whiteboards/tables, 1,682.08; Agency Fund - adv

pmts, 13,982.04; Apple Inc ipads, 6,337.00; Arbor Scientific equipment, 178.21; AVI Systems - services, 507.50; CDW Government - cases/adaptors, 2,119.56; Cengage Learning software, 319.00; Cerebellum Corp. – dvds, 348.74; Con-necting Point – equipment/ services, 9,150.00; D&H Distributing - calculators, 1,307.89; Floor to Ceiling - carpet & tile, 17,856.93; Glynlyon - online renewals, 790.00; Greg Johnson Construction - garage project, 11,834.73; Groton Dakota Press subscription, 33.02; Hauff Mid-America - equipment, 991.59; JCL Solutions - vacuum, 615.00; Kaplan Early Learning - materials, 256.03; Lakeshore Learning equipment, 192.45; Malsom Flooring - services, 10,414.29; Marco - copier leases, 1,978.17 Menards - tools, 125.88; MPS chem texts, 2,777.60; Nasco polar board/supplies, 458.09; National School Products – resources, 106.87; Novel Units novels set, 30.73; Riverside Technologies – storage unit, 4,999.00; School Specialty bookcase, 248.56; Social Studies School Service - resources, 118.65; Trend Enterprises - supplies, 36.41; US Games - equip-

ment/mats, 2,304.21. Total Capital Outlay - \$92,100.23. SPECIAL ED: Net Salary -1,515.24; FIT - 74.67; Medi-care - 53.40; FICA - 228.32; SD Retirement - 220.96; Ace Educational Supplies - supplies, 45.16; Avera St. Luke's – services, 5,603.16; Carson-Dellosa supplies, 12.94; Evan-Moor
supplies, 39.94; Innovative Office Solutions - eraser, 8.60; Lakeshore Learning - supplies, 49.42; Really Good Stuff - supplies, 34.94; School Specialty – supplies, 25.96; School Spec./ Classroom Direct - supplies, 73.18; Teacher Created Resources - supplies, 49.94; Trend Enterprises - supplies, 27.99; Patron – mileage, 423.36. Total

Special Ed - \$8,487.18. ENTERPRISE: Fund 51: Net Salary - 2,119.06; FIT - 148.19; Medicare - 76.24; FICA - 326.04 SD Retirement - 322.04; AFLAC 54.22; Wellmark BCBS -755.00; Reliastar Life - .65; Hillyard – mops, 272.75. Total Fund 51 - \$4,074.19. Fund 53: Net Salary - 6,522.30; FIT 330.90; Medicare - 223.34; FICA – 954.88; SD Retirement 516.72; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 525.00; GASD - dr ed mileage reimb, 2,772.00; K. Weber - field trip expenses, 667.67. Total Fund 53 - \$12,512.81.

Total Enterprise Funds --\$16,587.00. AGENCY FUND: Total -

\$119,540.05. **RÉCEIPTS:** Local Sources,

Taxes - 497,490.96 ; Other Local Sources - 15,949.94; County Sources – 4,368.26; Federal Sources – 5,122.18. Total Receipts - \$522,931.34.

Members of the public were allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members present to speak, the board proceeded with their remaining agenda items.

Building, Grounds and Transportation committee members will be meeting with Johnson Controls to discuss the current service agreement for boiler, electrical and HVAC system equipment.

Building improvement measures were discussed in relation to community meetings held in Groton, Columbia, Andover, Bristol and Ferney. No action was taken. The following topics were discussed in administrative reports: water leak under the football field sidewalk, school bus driver training, Johnson Controls service agreement, Hutterville School meeting, legacy chemical removal, Fall in-service, back to school picnic, Fall Family Night,

Frontline training, Pearson Envision 2.0 training, Amplify mClass training, class lists, school year forms, elem PE/Music schedule, inaugural Coop Governing Board Meeting, elementary playaround installation, ASBSD Joint Convention, professional development, teacher evaluation software, curriculum and Coop Governing Board meeting.

Bus Supervisor Loren Bahr presented proposed 2016-17 bus routes. Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to approve as presented.

Moved by Kjelden, second Harder to approve a Lease Agreement with City of Groton for use of the soccer complex. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve Craig Sternhagen as Volunteer Assistant Boys Soccer Coach for the 2016 season. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Kjelden to approve Chris Kucker and Barb Lone as Volunteer Assistant Girls Soccer Coaches for the 2016 season. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to approve Seth Erickson as Volunteer Assistant Football Coach for the 2016 season. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Harder to approve Jenna Strom as Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach for the 2016 season. Motion carried.

The board acknowledged receipt of Public School Exemption

#17-01 for a student in grade 9. Moved by Kjelden, second Weismantel to approve Open Enrollment Application #17-15 for a student in grade 12 from the Aberdeen School District. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Kjelden to approve lane change for Aaron Helvig from BS+15 to BS+30 for an additional \$750. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to approve lane change for Janene Harry from BS to BS+30 for an additional \$1,500. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Gengerke to approve the resignation of Vonnie Lutz as MS/HS Paraprofessional. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Gengerke to approve Open Enrollment Application #17-16 for a student in grade 3 and Open Enrollment Application #17-17 for a student in grade 5, both from the Langford Area School District. Motion carried.

Moved by Kjelden, second Weismantel to adjourn at 8:25 pm. Motion carried.

M. J. Weber, Business Manager Steven R. Smith, President The addition of signatures to

this page verifies these minutes as official.

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Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Kippley at 8:45 A.M. in the Commissioner's hambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Hansen, Sutton, Fischbach and Fjeldheim. Commissioner Fischbach led the

Pledge of Allegiance. MINUTES: Moved by Sut-ton, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the General Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2016. All mombers present victing and members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Fischbach,

Peace \$144.80: Avera St Lukes \$ 16,024.84; Bantz, Gosch & Cremer \$3,672.45; Carlsen Funeral Home \$530.00: HKG Architects \$6,807.60; NEMHC \$2,002.00; PRCA \$900.00; Siegel, Bar-nett & Schutz \$1,420.29; Kristi Spitzer \$495.00; Standard & Poor \$119.00; Sunset Memorial Garden \$500.00.

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Travel and Conference: Cathy Jorgenson \$12.50; Brett Oelke \$76.00; Gene Loeschke \$251.92; SD Corrections Association \$100.00; SD Counties \$175.00; US Bank \$1,580.72

Utilities: Quest \$1,112.62; Dependable Sanitation \$286.00; State of SD \$71.00; Northern Electric \$128.88; NW Energy \$1,268.60; Verizon \$40.01; Web Water \$69.16; US Bank \$847.96. Other: JRWD \$707.08.

All members present voting

aye. Motion carrieu. PERSONNEL: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve amending action taken on August 9, 2016 by deleting names of Sara Swisher, Dave Engraf and Lynn Heupel as parttime Fair Employees, as they are currently selling Fair Tickets through the Auditor's Office. All members present voting ave. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve hiring the following, as presented in Commission Assistant/HR Office Report:

Part-time Fairground Employ-ees, effective August 16, 2016 – Roberto Holmes @ \$10.94 per hour; Amanda Cunningham, Francisco Sanchez, Blake Anderson and Trent Duncan @ \$10.88 per hour.

Full-time Correctional Officers @ \$15.33 per hour – Cyrstal Hammer, effective August 15; Wiatt Yougblom and Tanner Po-

doll, effective August, 22, 2016. Part-time 24/7 Sobriety Program Employees Charles Tveit and Jean Roeszler, effective Au-

gust 9, 2016 @ \$12.92 per hour. Amy Lake-Harmon for purpose of prisoner transport, effective August 16, 2016.

Amy Lake-Harmon as parttime JDC Employee during transition until new assistant is named, effective August 16,

2016 at \$23.72 per hour.

@ \$4,231.25, cash item (bad check) \$768.75, US Bank @ \$71,727.19, Dacotah Bank @ \$594,847.72, Dacotah Bank Holding Account \$95,443.98, Petty Cash @ \$2,000.00, Fund Investments @ \$16,966,396.91). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR CONTRACT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the following contract for the 2016 Brown County Fair: Swank (Angry Birds show-ing) @ \$550.00. All members present voting aye. Motion

carried. ATTORNEY FEE AGREEMENT: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair to sign Attorney Fee Agreement with Victor B Fischbach for completion of quiet title action on the following real estate: Lot 8, Block 16, Hagerty and Lloyds Addition to Aberdeen, according to the plat thereof of record, Brown County, SD (509 N Penn Street). All members present voting aye. Motion carried. CDBG SAFE HARBOR PAY RE-QUEST #3: Moved by Fjeldheim,

seconded by Sutton to approve and authorize the Chair Payment Request #3 for CDBG Grant #1515-105 for the Safe Harbor Project in amount of \$66,545.85. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. NATIONAL MULTIMODAL

FREIGHT NETWORK: Commissioner Fischbach offered the following Resolution: County Resolution #61-16 to Encourage the USDOT Under Secretary for Policy to Expand South Dakota's National Multimodal Freight Network. WHEREAS; The Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy (Under Secretary) is to establish a National Multimodal Freight Network (NMFN) to assist states and achieve freight policy goals: WHEREAS: the routes should meet at least one of the many conditions like: being a rural principal arterial; access energy areas, grain elevators; agricultural, mining, forestry, or intermodal facilities: access significant freight facilities; or be important to the economy and the efficient movement of freight as determined by the State; WHEREAS; the national multimodal freight policy should strengthen the contribution of the National Multimodal Freight Network to the economic competitiveness of the United States, WHEREAS; the policy should increase productivity, particularly for domestic industries and businesses that create high-value jobs, improve the safety, security, efficiency, and resiliency of mul-timodal freight transportation; WHEREAS; the policy should improve the economic efficiency and productivity of the National Multimodal Freight Network and improve the reliability of freight transportation; WHEREAS; the policy should improve the shortand long-distance movement of goods that travel across rural areas between population cen-ters; that travel between rural areas and population centers; and that travel from the Nation's ports, airports, and gateways to the National Multimodal Freight Network; WHEREAS; the policy should improve the flexibility of States to support multi-State corridor planning and the cre-ation of multi-State organizations to increase the ability of States to address multimodal freight connectivity and pursue these and other goals in a manner that is not burdensome to State and local governments; and WHEREAS, Brown County

be very important to connect cities, support rural areas, enhance agricultural expansion, provide for job creation, and enhance its economic future but currently too limited to accomplish those purposes: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by Brown County, that the county supports the ef-forts of the SDDOT to expand the Interim NMFN in South Dakota as proposed in its comments to the USDOT Under Secretary for Policy. Dated this 16th day of August, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen, Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansenaye, Sutton-aye, Fischbachaye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Résolution adopted.

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCU-PANCY: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following application, submitted by NorthWestern Énergy for occupancy of Brown County diversion of the sth P.M., Brown County, SD to provide electrical power. All members present voting ave. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following application submitted by Century Link for occupancy of Brown County Hwy 13W in Sec 34-T124N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD to provide broadband expansion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Sutton to approve the following application, submitted by Century Link for occupancy of Brown County Hwy 16 in Sec 17-T123N-R62W; Sec 8-T123N-R62W; Sec 5-T123N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD to provide broadband expansion All'members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLOSING AUDIT CONFER-ENCE: Russ Olson, Audit Manager for the Department of Legislative Audits met with the

Commission for closing confer-ence for audit of fiscal year 2015. 2017 PROVISIONAL BUDGET: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve the 2017 Provisional Budget and authorize advertising public hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, at 8:45 A.M. on September 6, 2016. Roll call vote: Commissioner's Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Motion carried.

DELTA DENTAL RATES: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve the 2017 Delta Dental Rates for employee dental insurance: \$42.30 Single \$79.82 - Two-Party, and \$126.20 Three or more. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to go into executive session to consult with legal counsel, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) with Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chair declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion.

FAIR UPDATE: County Treasurer Sheila Enderson and Deputy Auditor Sara Swisher presented a brief update on the ticket printing issues at the Monday Fair event.

ADJÓURNMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 9:50 A.M. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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seconded by Sutton to approve the following claims:

Professional Fees: Celtic Faire and Games \$1,000.00; Megan Erickson \$30.00, Cathy Jorgenson \$30.00; Marlyn Maloney \$30.00; Brett Oelke \$200.00; Ro-meo Entertainment \$4,005.00; Brittnay Walberg \$150.00; Tonya Zi9nter \$30.00; Avera Queen of

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AUDITORS REPORT OF AC-COUNT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the July 2016 Auditor's Report of Account with the County Treasurer in to-tal amount of \$17,735,415.80 (total amount of actual cash

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		For the	reporting period						
	General	Restricted	Capital	Special	Pension	Bond	Enterprise	Agency	Total for
	Fund	Gen Funds	Outlay	Education	Fund	Redemption	Fund	Fund	District
1. Beginning Balance	1,542,422.69	32,052.21	802,468.22	123,563.78	0.00	145,785.32	70,997.26	234,281.98	2,951,571.46
a. cash	1,542,422.69	32,052.21	802,468.22	123,563.78	0.00	145,785.32	70,997.26	234,281.98	2,951,571.46
b. petty cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2. Transfers in									
3. Revenue to date	507,640.18	0.00	3,281.01	3,209.41	624.34	388.27	6,584.79	1,203.34	522,931.34
Total accounted for	2,050,062.87	32,052.21	805,749.23	126,773.19	624.34	146,173.59	77,582.05	235,485.32	3,474,502.80
5. Transfers out									
Expenditures to date	168,290.25	0.00	72,338.79	8,127.42	0.00	0.00	15,991.99	119,540.05	384,288.50
a. encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements	168,290.25	0.00	72,338.79	8,127.42	0.00	0.00	15,991.99	119,540.05	384,288.50
7. Ending Balance	1,881,772.62	32,052.21	733,410.44	118,645.77	624.34	146,173.59	61,590.06	116,145.27	3,090,414.30
a. cash	1,881,772.62	32,052.21	733,410.44	118,645.77	624.34	146,173.59	61,590.06	115,945.27	3,090,214.30
b. petty cash	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
July Receipts	507,640.18	0.00	3,281.01	3,209.41	624.34	388.27	6,584.79	1,203.34	522,931.34
July Expenses	168,290.25	0.00	72,338.79	8,127.42	0.00	0.00	15,991.99	119,540.05	384,288.50
Agency Checking	115,945.27								
District Checking	2,974,269.03								
Certificate of Deposit	0.00								
Agency Cash on Hand	200.00								
Total all Funds	3,090,414.30								

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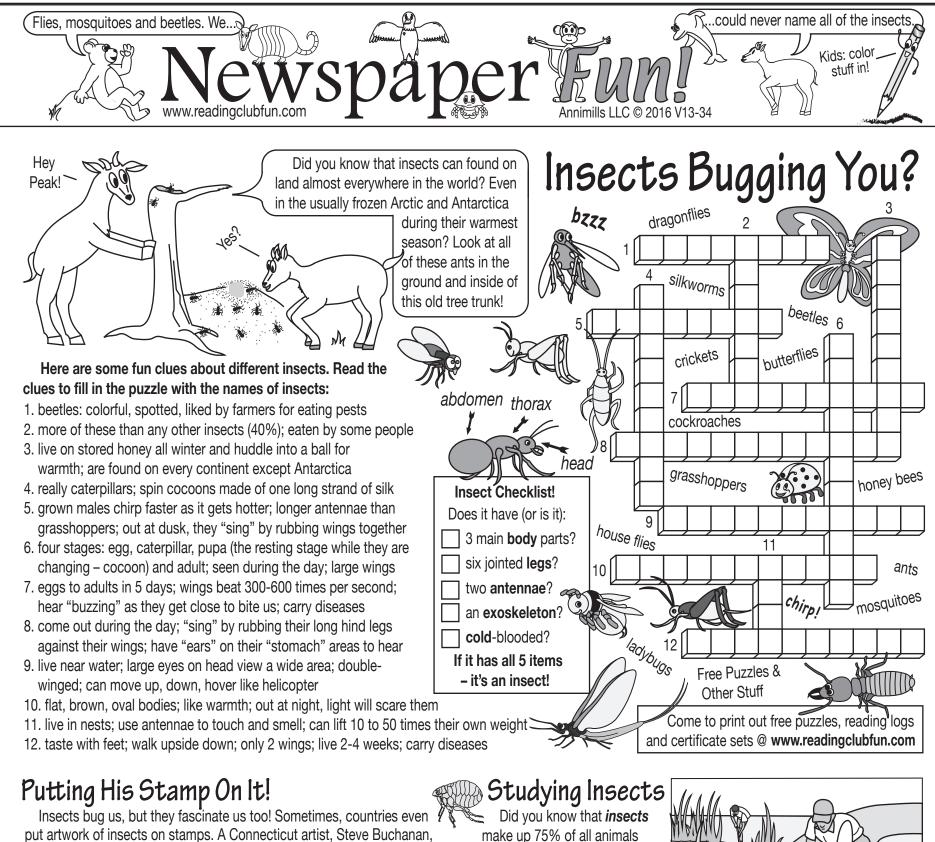
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-	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Relief	New Angus Beef)	Fund
100 General Government										
110 Legislative 111 Board of County Commissi	337,097.39									
112 Contingency	250,000.00									
120 Elections 130 Judicial System	32,556.00 73,200.00									
140 Financial Administration										
141 Auditor 142 Treasurer	320,760.30 538,946.82									
150 Legal Services										
151 States Attorney 153 Court Appointed Attorney	818,753.87 511,500.00									
154 Abused and Neglected										
Child Defense 159 Teen Court	15,000.00					37,484.89				
160 Other 161 General Government Build	1,191,238.59									
162 Director of Equalization	579,117.52									
163 Register of Deeds 165 Veterans' Service Officer	362,720.65 154,318.98							4,000.00		
166 Predatory Animal (GFP)	3,915.61							·		
170 Geographic Information Sy 171 Data Processing	98,256.98 469,479.37									
172 Human Resources	132,092.47									
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	5,888,954.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37,484.89	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
200 Public Safety 210 Law Enforcement										
211 Sheriff	1,504,279.51									
212 County Jail 213 Coroner	1,689,971.13 36,049.00						96,221.01			
215 Juvenile Detention	965,424.79		·							
220 Protective & Emergency Servic										
221 Fire Protection 222 Emergency & Disaster Servi	17,000.00 ces			222,903.35						
225 Communications Center (91	1)		1,054,595.38							
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY 300 Public Works	4,212,724.43	0.00	1,054,595.38	222,903.35	0.00	0.00	96,221.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
310 Highways & Bridges 311 Highways, Roads, & Bridges	;	9,269,620.61	:							
320 Sanitation 322 Solid Wastes										2,913,988.44
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	0.00	9,269,620.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,913,988.44
00 Health & Welfare 410 Economic Assistance										
411 Support of Poor	446,668.96									
420 Health Assistance 421 County Nurse	18,540.00									
424 Ambulance 430 Social Services	20,000.00				·					
433 Care of Aged 434 Domestic Abuse	1,500.00				14 200 00					
434 Domestic Abuse 440 Mental Health Services					14,200.00		·			
441 Mentally III 442 Aspire/Live/Dakoatabilities	200,000.00 13,700.00									
442 Aspire/Live/Dakoatabilities	40,000.00					·				
444 Mental Health Centers	37,080.00 777,488.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
00 Culture & Recreation	111,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
510 Culture 511 Public Library	16,000.00									
512 Historical Museum	399,828.30					· ·	·			
520 Recreation	E 000 00									
521 Recreation Program 522 Parks	5,000.00					·	·			
523 Exhibition Building O & M	424,206.46									
524 County Fair 525 Senior Citizens	1,046,815.11 3,500.00					<u> </u>				
TOTAL CULTURAL & RECREATION	1,998,960.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
600 Conservation of Natural Resources 610 Soil Conservation										
611 4-H Coordinator	75,015.35									
615 Weed Control	212,826.76									
TOTAL CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES	287,842.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
700 Urban & Economic Development							·			
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712 Urban & Rural Developme	26,449.18									
720 Economic Development 721 Tourism, Ind. & Rec. Devel	20,750.00					<u> </u>	·		-	
TOTAL URBAN & ECONOMIC DEVE	132,626.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
750 Payments to other Governments 300 Debt Service		40,000.00							904,807.42	
900 Other Uses						·	· ·		201,001.12	
910 Other Financing Uses 911 Operating Transfers Out	4,566,571.85								-	
TOTAL OTHER USES	4,566,571.85	40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	904,807.42	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE APPROPRIA	17,865,168.42	9,309,620.61	1,054,595.38	222,903.35	14,200.00	37,484.89	96,221.01	4,000.00	904,807.42	2,913,988.44
Cash Balance Applied	2,060,294.37	400,000.00	200,000.00			17,984.89			252,493.02	746,570.44
311 Current Property Tax Levy	13,596,295.00				·				,	
Less 25% to Cities 311 TIF Property Taxes	(22,171.00)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u>.</u> .	<u> </u>)		652,314.40	
312/319 - Other Taxes	124,150.00	900,000.00					0.00	A. 8 -		6,700.00
	13,698,274.00	900,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	652,314.40	6,700.00
320 Licenses & Permits 330 Intergovernmental Revenue	57,600.00 584,597.08	7,000.00 3,776,500.00	646,997.69	66,000.00	8,100.00 3,100.00	18,000.00	18,000.00			
340 Charges for Goods & Service:	2,200,675.00	2,300.00			3,000.00		78,221.01	4,000.00		1,600,000.00
350 Fines & Forfeits 360 Miscellaneous Revenue	26,850.00 145,100.00	3,500.00	600.00	150.00		1,500.00				560,718.00
370 Other Financing Sources	32,050.00	4,220,320.61	206,997.69	156,753.35						
	18,805,440.45	9,309,620.61	1,054,595.38	222,903.35	14,200.00	37,484.89	96,221.01	4,000.00	904,807.42	2,913,988.44
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SUBTOTAL Less 5% (SDCL 7-21-18) NET MEANS OF FINANCE TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	940,272.03 17,865,168.42 17,865,168.42	(9,309,620.61 9,309,620.61	(1,054,595.38 1,054,595.38	(222,903.35 222,903.35	(14,200.00 14,200.00	(37,484.89 37,484.89) 96,221.01 96,221.01	() 4,000.00 4,000.00	(904,807.42 904,807.42	(2,913,988.44 2,913,988.44

ADOPTION OF PROVISIONAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

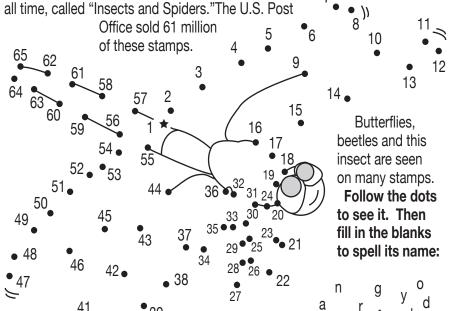
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, will meet in the Courthouse at Aberdeen South Dakota on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 8:45 A.M. for the purpose of considering the foregoing Provisional Budget for the year 2017 and the various items, schedules, amounts and appropriations set forth therein and as many days thereafter as is deemed necessary until the final adoption of the budget on the 27th day of September, 2016. At such time any interested person may appear either in person or by a representative and will be given an opportunity for a full and complete discussion of all purposes, objectives, items, schedules, appropriations, estimates, amounts and matters set forth and contained in the Provisional Budget. Maxine Fischer, Auditor

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