

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA  
January 3, 2017

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on January 3, 2017 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Robert Olson, Morris Grosz, Nathan Davis, Dennis Hoyle and Wade Eisenbeisz. Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Vaughn Beck, and Lenny Uhrich.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Motioned by Eisenbeisz, seconded by Davis to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

**CHAIRMAN:** The County Auditor called for nominations for Chairman. Morris Grosz nominated Robert Olson as Chairman. Motioned by Eisenbeisz, seconded by Davis that nominations cease. Motion carried. Robert Olson was elected Chairman for the year of 2017.

**VICE-CHAIRMAN:** The County Auditor called for nominations for Vice-Chairman. Robert Olson nominated Nathan Davis as Vice-Chairman. Motioned by Olson, seconded by Grosz that nominations cease. Motion carried. Nathan Davis was elected Vice-Chairman for the year 2017.

**APPOINTMENTS:** The Chairman made the following appointments:

4-H Advisory Board – Dennis Hoyle as commissioner representing the Board.

ABC Regional Railroad Authority – Nathan Davis as commissioner representing the Board.

Community Health Council – Wade Eisenbeisz as commissioner representing the Board.

E911 Board – Todd Holtz, Sheriff and Robert Olson as commissioner representing the Board.

Five County Television Translator District Board – Dennis Hoyle as commissioner representing the Board.

Northeast SD Economic Corporation – Morris Grosz as commissioner representing the Board.

Northeast Council of Governments – Nathan Davis and Wade Eisenbeisz as commissioners representing the Board.

Welfare Director – Morris Grosz.

Zoning Board – Nathan Davis and Wade Eisenbeisz as commissioners representing the Board.

**RESOLUTION – WEIGHT & SPEED LIMIT ENFORCEMENT:** The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Hoyle, who moved its adoption: Resolution #2017-1-1, establishing the enforcement of weight & speed limits in Edmunds County. The motion to adopt the resolution was seconded by Eisenbeisz. Roll call vote: Olson - yes, Grosz - yes, Davis - yes, Hoyle - yes, Eisenbeisz - yes. Resolution adopted.

WHEREAS, the County of Edmunds, South Dakota, is responsible for the maintenance of certain highways under its jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, the Edmunds County Board of Commissioners, desires to protect existing Edmunds County Highways, ultimately saving tax dollars, and

WHEREAS, said highways, by reason of seasonal climatic changes, will be seriously damaged or destroyed unless vehicle weight and speed restrictions are imposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all county roads in Edmunds County will be under a 6 ton per axle load limit restriction and speed limit restrictions of 40 mph for trucks, effective at 12:01 A.M. on March 1, 2017, through 11:59 P.M. on April 30, 2017, or as posted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County of Edmunds shall request and authorize the South Dakota Highway Patrol to enforce weight limitations and speed restrictions, as established by this resolution, on all Edmunds County roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the penalty for the violation of the load restrictions shall be as set forth in SDCL 32-22-55.

**BIDS:** Motioned by Eisenbeisz, seconded by Davis to purchase new & recap tires, road chemicals/road salt, weed & pest chemicals, bulk ethanol, regular unleaded, and diesel fuel all off the state bid. Motion carried.

**OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS:** "The Ipswich Tribune", "The Pride of the Prairie", and "The Roscoe - Hosmer Independent".

**BANK DEPOSITORIES:** "First State Bank of Roscoe", "Farmers State Bank of Hosmer", "Cortrust Bank of Bowdle", "Ipswich State Bank", and "South Dakota Funds Investment Trust (FIT)" are the named Edmunds County depositories.

**INVESTMENT & ACCOUNTING POLICIES:** Patricia Nigg, Edmunds County Treasurer, was advised by the Board on the investment policy. The county sets the investment policy of the Treasurer pursuant to SDCL 4-5-8. Such policy to be that the Treasurer is authorized and directed to invest all idle cash to gain maximum interest for the county. The change fund for the Treasurer's Office will be \$1,200.00. The change fund for the Register of Deed's Office will be \$100.00

**SALARIES FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES 2017:** Commissioners (Robert Olson - \$11,230.00 per year, Morris Grosz - \$11,230.00, Nathan Davis - \$11,230.00, Dennis Hoyle - \$11,230.00, Wade Eisenbeisz - \$11,230.00) Chairman will receive an additional \$600.00 per year; Auditor (Keith Schurr - \$47,435.00, Dionne Olson - \$36,196.00); Treasurer (Patricia Nigg - \$43,367.00, Lisa Habeck - \$34,933.00); States Attorney (Vaughn Beck - \$42,769.00); 4-H & Courthouse Custodian (Thomas Schaefer - \$37,000.00); Director of Equalization (Sandra Northrop - \$43,367.00, Annette Jones - \$36,196.00); Register of Deeds (Gwen Geditz - \$43,367.00, Jodi Wagner - \$36,196.00); Veteran Service Officer (Ronald Hoffer - \$12,611.00); Sheriff (Todd Holtz - \$50,693.00, Kyle Couchey - \$41,632.00, Daniel Hardison - \$38,434.00; Jonathan Waldner - \$38,434.00, Theodore C. Huss - \$18.00 per hour part time; Bruce Sahli - \$18.00 per hour part time, Lisa Rye - \$35,981.00, Jeremy Batista - \$16.62 per hour, Brandon Bowar - \$16.62 per hour, Nathan Jaenisch - \$16.62 per hour, Cynthia Sahli - \$16.62 per hour, Sandy Chapman - \$12.24 per hour part time, Patricia Larman - \$12.24 per hour part time, LaVoena Vitense -



\$12.24 per hour part time; part time dispatchers working midnight to 8:00 A.M. - \$13.14 per hour); Emergency & Disaster Coordinator (Leland Treichel - \$27,200.00); Highway Department (Lenny Uhrich - \$50,894.00, Christopher Holmes - \$42,000.00, Heather Williams - \$17.29 per hour, Victor Fischer - \$17.70 per hour; Michael Grote - \$17.70 per hour, Rick Holland - \$17.70 per hour, Rodney Kirschenmann - \$17.70 per hour, Bernel Lee - \$17.70 per hour, Jason Onken - \$17.70 per hour, Darrell Pietz - \$17.70 per hour, Dale Preszler - \$17.70 per hour, Jerome Schaffner - \$18.20 per hour, Jonathan Wipf - \$17.70 per hour, Teddy Schomberg - \$13.73 per hour part time); Deputy Weed Supervisor (Janet Wipf - \$18.21 per hour); 4-H Department (Bonnie Nehlich - \$37,000.00); Coroner (Kyle Couchey - \$125.00 per call); Zoning Board Members (Galen Gisi, Werner Mohr, Audie Crouch - \$50.00 per meeting).

**BLOOD ALCOHOL FEES:** The payment for drawing blood alcohol tests will be \$50.00.

**JAIL RATES:** A confinement cost of \$15.00 per day, for each incident, will be imposed against any prisoner confined to jail while serving a sentence for a crime committed in Edmunds County and will be payable up front to the Edmunds County Sheriff before serving a sentence, or a lien will be imposed on the prisoner 30 days following confinement if not paid. Reimbursement for work release for in county prisoners will be an additional \$10.00 per day per prisoner. The jail rate for out of county prisoner care will be \$50.00 per day per prisoner and an additional \$20.00 per day for work release.

**GUARD REIMBURSEMENT:** Pay for guard duty will be \$50.00 a day when in a 50-mile radius of the county seat. Payment for guard duty will be \$10.00 per hour plus any meal receipts when outside a 50-mile radius of the county seat.

**ELECTION:** Rent paid, to precinct polling places for each election, will be set at a maximum of \$50.00 per day for the year 2017. Election workers will be paid \$12.00 per hour for election training and for time worked on Election Day. The charge for the purchase of voter registration lists will be three cents per name.

**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT:** Motioned by Hoyle, seconded by Eisenbeisz to approve and allow the chairman to sign the joint powers agreement, between Edmunds County and Madison Township for the rental of county Blade/Motor Grader, snow removal equipment and an operator, from November 16, 2016 to November 16, 2017. Motion carried.

**QUIT CLAIM DEED:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Eisenbeisz to approve and allow the chairman to sign the quit claim deed which conveys Lot 1 of FEM Addition City of Ipswich to FEM Electric Association Inc. Motion carried.

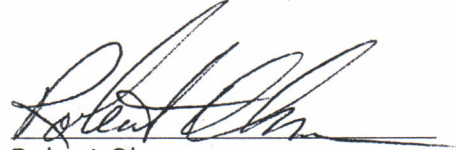
**TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS:** Motioned by Davis, seconded by Eisenbeisz to allow all of the Highway employees to attend the Mining Safety and Health Administration Training in Aberdeen

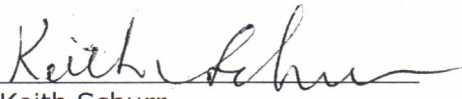
on January 24, 2017; and Keith Schurr to attend the SD Department of Legislative Audit Annual Report Workshop in Mitchell on January 25, 2017. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motioned by Hoyle, seconded by Eisenbeisz to enter into executive session at 9:50 A.M., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 10:19 A.M.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED:** The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on January 25<sup>th</sup> and February 7<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Davis, seconded by Grosz to adjourn at 10:20 A.M. Motion carried.

  
Robert Olson  
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:   
Keith Schurr  
Edmunds County Auditor

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