

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

January 8, 2019

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on January 8, 2019 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Robert Olson, Morris Grosz, Jerome Schaffner, Timothy Thomas, and via teleconference; Dennis Hoyle. Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Patricia Nigg, and Michael Jager.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Hoyle to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2019 meeting. Five yes votes, motion carried.

**CHAIRMAN:** The County Auditor called for nominations for Chairman. Timothy Thomas nominated Robert Olson as Chairman. Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Thomas that nominations cease. Five yes votes, motion carried. Robert Olson was elected Chairman for the year of 2019.

**VICE-CHAIRMAN:** The County Auditor called for nominations for Vice-Chairman. Robert Olson nominated Timothy Thomas as Vice-Chairman. Motioned by Olson, seconded by Schaffner that nominations cease. Five yes votes, motion carried. Timothy Thomas was elected Vice-Chairman for the year 2019.

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

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

ABC Regional Railroad Authority – Dennis Hoyle as commissioner representing the Board and Morris Grosz as alternate.

Community Health Council – Jerome Schaffner 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 – Jerome Schaffner as commissioner representing the Board.

Northeast Council of Governments – Dennis Hoyle and Timothy Thomas as commissioners representing the Board.

Welfare Director – Jerome Schaffner.

Zoning Board – Morris Grosz and Timothy Thomas as commissioners representing the Board.

**BIDS:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to purchase new & recap tires, road chemicals/road salt, weed & pest chemicals, bulk ethanol, regular unleaded, and diesel fuel all off the state bid. Five yes votes, 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", and "Ipswich State Bank" 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 2019:** Commissioners (Robert Olson - \$11,970.00 per year, Morris Grosz - \$11,970.00, Dennis Hoyle - \$11,970.00, Jerome Schaffner - \$11,970.00, Timothy Thomas - \$11,970.00) Chairman will receive an additional \$600.00 per year; Auditor (Keith Schurr - \$50,568.00, Dionne Olson - \$38,587.00); Treasurer (Patricia Nigg - \$46,232.00, Diane Geditz - \$37,463.00); States Attorney (Vaughn Beck - \$45,594.00); 4-H & Courthouse Custodian (Thomas Schaefer - \$41,200.00); Director of Equalization (Sandra Northrop - \$46,232.00, Brittney Casey - \$38,587.00); Register of Deeds (Gwen Geditz - \$46,232.00, Jodi Wagner - \$38,587.00); Veteran Service Officer (Ronald Hoffer - \$13,444.00); Sheriff (Todd Holtz - \$55,090.00, Kyle Couchey - \$45,900.00, Jonathan Waldner - \$42,374.00; Cody Jorgensen - \$40,800.00, Theodore C. Huss - \$18.00 per hour part time; Bruce Sahli - \$18.00 per hour part time, Lisa Rye - \$39,336.00, Brandon Bowar - \$18.06 per hour, Nathan Jaenisch - \$18.06 per hour, Nicole Jaenisch - \$18.06 per hour, Cynthia Sahli - \$18.06 per hour, Kimberly Couchey - \$14.14 per hour part time, Patricia Larman - \$14.14 per hour part time); Emergency & Disaster Coordinator (Leland Treichel - \$28,997.00); Highway Department (Lenny Uhrich - \$54,255.00, Michael Jager - \$48,000.00; Heather Williams - \$18.55 per hour, Jordan Boulais - \$18.87 per hour; Victor Fischer - \$18.87 per hour; Michael Grote - \$18.87 per hour, Rick Holland - \$18.87 per hour, Michael Horst - \$18.37 per hour; Rodney Kirschenmann - \$18.87, per hour, Bernel Lee - \$18.87 per hour, Jason Onken - \$18.87 per hour, Dale Preszler - \$18.87 per hour, Jason Preszler - \$21.00 per hour, Jonathan Wipf - \$18.87 per hour, Teddy Schomberg - \$14.64 per hour part time); Deputy Weed Supervisor (Ryan Schlechter - \$19.38 per hour); 4-H Department (Bonnie Nehlich - \$39,444.00); 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 \$75.00.

**JAIL RATES:** A confinement cost of \$25.00 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 \$15.00 per day per prisoner. The jail rate for out of county prisoner care will be \$65.00 per day per prisoner and an additional \$25.00 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 \$60.00 per day for the year 2019. Election workers will be paid \$13.00 per hour for election training and for time worked on Election Day. The charge for the purchase of voter registration lists will be four cents per name.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:** First District Association of Local Governments, GIS website hosting \$5,000.00; SD Association of County Commissioners, Catastrophic Poor Relief Program 117.22; SD State Treasurer, excise tax 26.93.

2019 Budgeted Apportionments: Area IV Senior Nutrition \$2,500.00; Aspire 1,000.00; Bowdle Ambulance 3,600.00; Edmunds County Conservation District, 16,950.00; Edmunds County Rescue Unit 1,000.00; Grow South Dakota 1,500.00; Ipswich Ambulance 3,600.00; NE Council of Governments 7,977.49; Northeastern Mental Health 2,500.00.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$52.45; FEM Electric 580.95; Heartland Waste Management 117.50; Midcontinent Communications 190.00; Valley Telecommunications 886.75; Verizon Wireless 201.82; WEB Water Bottling Company 99.00; WEB Water 64.73.

Publishing: Gibson Publishing Co \$399.46; The Pride of the Prairie 235.62.

Professional Services: Avera St. Lukes \$437.12; Vaughn P. Beck 1,150.00.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Nathan Davis \$83.16; SD Association County Commissioners 1,561.00; SD Association County Officials 809.97.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Agtegra Cooperative \$20,188.89; ARC Parts Service and Repair 81.10; Auto Value Parts Stores 37.99; Century Business Products 41.80; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 814.41; Dakota Oil 1,381.81; Dale's Building Supplies 75.52; Dollar General 35.10; Equipment Blades Inc 1,681.50; Farnams Napa 348.52; Fastenal 8.15; Fischer Repair 47.12; GCR Tire Centers 2,279.04; Graham Tire Co 232.90; Mike Heinz 150.00; Hutson Construction 106.25; John Deere Financial 46.94; Ken's Foodfair 1,131.75; Mac's Hardware 35.00; Plunkett's Pest Control 78.00; RaceWest 26.00; Roscoe Trustworthy Hardware 11.96; Runnings Supply Inc 314.85; Ryan's Candy 6.79; Safety Service 1,365.87; SDSU Extension 161.25; Servall Uniform & Linen 83.36; TranSource Truck & Equipment 635.97; Wallwork Truck Center 554.79.

Motioned by Thomas, seconded by Grosz to pay all above claims. Five yes votes, motion carried.

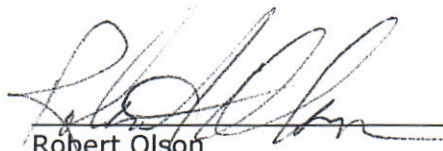
**GIS WEBSITE:** Motioned by Thomas, seconded by Schaffner to approve and allow the chairman to sign the 2019 Letter of Agreement between Edmunds County and First District of Local Governments for development, maintenance and hosting the Edmunds County geographic information system. Five yes votes, motion carried.

**PERSONNEL POLICY:** Motioned by Hoyle, seconded by Thomas to amend the Edmunds County Personnel Policy, by adding Section 2.20 - Cellular Phone Use, Section 2.21 - County Vehicle Use, and remove in its entirety Section 9.2 - Grievance Procedure. Five yes votes, motion carried.

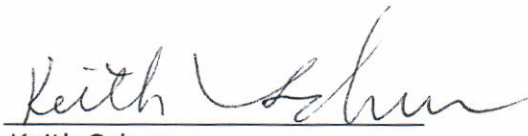
**TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS:** Motioned by Thomas, seconded by Grosz to allow all of the Highway employees to attend the Mining Safety and Health Administration Training in Aberdeen on January 23, 2019; and Keith Schurr to attend the SD Department of Legislative Audit Annual Report Workshop in Mitchell on January 24, 2019. Five yes votes, motion carried.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED:** The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on January 22<sup>nd</sup> and February 5<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Thomas, seconded by Grosz to adjourn at 9:45 A.M. Five yes votes, motion carried.

  
Robert Olson  
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

  
Keith Schurr  
Edmunds County Auditor

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