

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA  
August 4, 2020

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on August 4, 2020 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Robert Olson, Morris Grosz, Jerome Schaffner, Dennis Hoyle, and Timothy Thomas. Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Kyle Couchey, and Michael Jager.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Motioned by Hoyle, seconded by Grosz to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2020 regular meeting. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:** Bowdle Hospital, budgeted payment for alternative health care \$37,000.00; Gibson Publishing Co, publishing & supplies 1,134.34; Lien Transportation, hot mix 57,531.16; SD Association of County Commissioners, Catastrophic Legal Relief Program 3,543.00; True North Steel, culverts 15,897.54.

Fire Insurance Tax Distribution: Bowdle Municipal Fire Dept \$2,279.83; Bowdle Rural Fire District 2,522.83; Hosmer Rural Fire District 2,783.82; Hoven Volunteer Fire Dept 199.37; Ipswich Volunteer Fire Dept 19,129.50; Onaka Volunteer Fire Dept 502.61; Roscoe Volunteer Fire Dept 6,248.53; Tolstoy Volunteer Fire Dept 252.44.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$67.45; Century Link 47.27; FEM Electric Association 215.92; Ipswich City Office 287.31; Midcontinent Communications 190.00; Montana Dakota Utilities 39.77; Reuer Sanitation 39.00; Verizon Wireless 174.77.

Professional Services: Vaughn P. Beck \$1,157.60; Courtney Couchey 150.00; Edmunds County Abstract Co 25.00; First Concord Benefits Group 27.00; Tammy Pitz 150.00.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Ronald Hoffer \$119.76; Keith Schurr 14.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Auto Value Parts Stores \$26.92; Century Business Products 51.68; Connecting Point Computer Center 10,025.00; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 605.59; Dakota Ink & Toner 62.69; Dollar General 17.20; Farm Power Manufacturing Inc 147.70; Fischer Repair 15.98; Ken's Foodfair 156.10; Mac's Hardware 95.87; Microfilm Imaging Systems 337.00; Midstates Group 12.00; Premier Equipment Inc 80.64; Quality Welding Inc 627.10; Styles by Sylte 40.00; US Bank 1,036.47.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of July: Commissioners \$5,187.50; Auditor 7,666.48; Treasurer 7,280.32; States Attorney 3,913.50; Courthouse Maintenance 3,536.32; Director of Equalization 7,280.32; Register of Deeds 7,280.32; Veteran Service Officer 1,153.90; Sheriff's Department 30,638.42 (Overtime Pay: Kyle Couchey 980.24; Daniel Hardison 511.39; Jonathan Waldner 472.05); (Speed Overtime pay: Kyle Couchey 1,986.04;

Jonathan Waldner 503.52); (On call pay: Kyle Couchey 214.00; Daniel Hardison 88.00; Jonathan Waldner 196.00); County Jail 6,467.84 (Overtime Pay: Nathan Jaenisch 451.65; Lisa Rye 584.40; Cynthia Sahli 209.25); Coroner 125.00; Emergency Management 4,308.00; Highway Department 48,607.22; 4-H 3,906.38; Weed 3,796.34; 24/7 Sobriety 200.00. Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$1,535.08; AIG 160.00; Colonial Life 744.16; First Concord Benefits Group 765.02; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 31,563.43; SD Retirement 15,693.24; SD Supplemental Retirement 625.00; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 398.27; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 32,992.00.

Motioned by Hoyle, seconded by Thomas to pay all above claims. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motioned by Hoyle, seconded by Grosz to enter into executive session at 9:05 A.M., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 9:20 A.M.

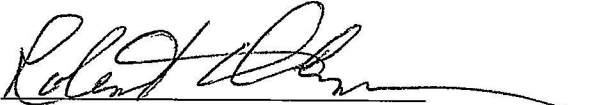
**EMPLOYEE HIRED:** Tracy Hutson met with the Board to discuss the position of Emergency Management Coordinator. Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Hoyle to hire Tracy J. Hutson as Edmunds County Emergency Management Coordinator to work part-time class C, at a salary of \$15,000.00 per year, effective August 4, 2020. Motion carried.

**PROVISIONAL BUDGET:** Motioned by Hoyle, seconded by Thomas to increase the salaries of county employees by 2½% for 2021 and adopt the Provisional Budget. Motion failed.

Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Grosz to increase the salaries of county employees by 3% for 2021 and to adopt the 2021 Provisional Budget in the following amounts: General Fund - \$2,205,991.00, County Road & Bridge Fund - \$3,426,060.00, Civil Defense Fund - \$47,754.00, RCW Fund - \$1,400.00, 911 Service Fund - \$50,000.00, 24-7 Sobriety Fund - \$4,350.00, M & P Relief Fund - \$15,500.00, and to set September 1, 2020, at 9:30 A.M. as the date and time for the first public hearing on adoption of the Provisional Budget as the 2021 Annual Budget. Motion carried.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED:** The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on August 18<sup>th</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Hoyle to adjourn at 11:05 A.M. Motion carried.



Robert Olson  
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:



Keith Schurr  
Edmunds County Auditor

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