

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA
December 7, 2021

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on December 7, 2021 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Dean Mehlhaff, Morris Grosz, Jerome Schaffner, Chad Preszler, and Timothy Thomas. Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Vaughn Beck, Brittney Duvall, and Michael Jager.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Preszler to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2021 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Brownlee Construction Inc, gravel \$20,432.60; Edmunds Central School, tax deed sale revenue 13,382.00; Gibson Publishing Co, publishing 1,196.84; Hettich Sand & Gravel, gravel 3,082.50; Roscoe City Office, tax deed sale revenue 28,023.00; NE Council of Governments, Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan 11,250.00; Premier Equipment Inc, rental tractors 7,820.00; Thares Construction, storage building payment 57,246.94; TW Construction, insulate Hosmer & Roscoe highway shops 23,979.64.

Gravel Stockpile Rent: Kelly Hettich \$100.00; Arthur Nehlich 100.00; Dean Schumacher 100.00.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$52.35; Century Link 53.75; FEM Electric 538.70; Heartland Waste Management 117.50; Ipswich City Office 220.90; Midcontinent Communications 203.00; Montana Dakota Utilities 51.17; Reuer Sanitation 39.00; Valley Telecommunications 932.18; Verizon Wireless 353.66; WEB Water Bottling Company 92.50; WEB Water 77.35..

Professional Services: Avera Occupational Medicine \$579.00; Vaughn P. Beck 1,154.00; Den Herder Law Firm 148.50; Edmunds County Abstract Co 25.00; First Concord Benefits Group 22.50; Tammy Pitz 75.00.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Mike Jager \$88.00; Bonnie Nehlich 94.00; Dionne Olson 28.00; Heather Shuff 28.00; SDAE4-HP 35.00; SD Association of County Highway Superintendents 350.00; SD Association of Weed & Pest Supervisors 50.00; SD Sheriff's Association 622.13.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Agtegra Cooperative \$11,942.85; American Solutions for Business 102.81; ARC Parts Service and Repair 26.50; Bowdle Building & Hardware Center 56.40; Century Business Products 87.75; Connecting Point 79.00; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 107.45; Dakota Ink & Toner 99.98; Dakota Oil 563.95; Dollar General 31.88; Election Systems & Software Inc 2,449.89; Family Pride Processing 112.50; Farnams Napa 394.80; Faulk County Highway Department 311.56; Fischer Repair 11.98; Graham Tire Co 450.00; Hodges Badge

Company 303.09; Hoven Repair & Body Shop 91.56; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware 15.99; John Deere Financial 13.33; Ken's Foodfair 779.88; Lawson Products 58.69; McLeod's Office Supply 36.08; Microfilm Imaging Systems 337.00; Pheasant Land Industries 230.25; Powerplan 5,994.04; Premier Equipment Inc 56.50; Roscoe Trustworthy Hardware 18.67; Safety Service Inc 986.50; SD Division of Motor Vehicles 15.00; SD Association of County Officials 150.00; Simon Electric & Plumbing 700.00; TranSource Truck & Equipment 7,901.27; Trav's Outfitter 260.10; US Bank 2,187.60.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of November: Commissioners \$5,341.60; Auditor 7,882.06; Treasurer 7,498.72; States Attorney 4,030.90; Courthouse Maintenance 3,642.40; Director of Equalization 7,498.72; Register of Deeds 7,498.72; Veteran Service Officer 1,188.50; Sheriff's Department 26,975.49 (Overtime Pay: Daniel Hardison 259.32; Jonathan Waldner 129.66); (On call pay: Kyle Couchey 121.00; Daniel Hardison 201.00; Jonathan Waldner 134.00); County Jail 7,454.01 (Overtime Pay: Brandon Bowar 541.63; Nathan Jaenisch 753.61; Cynthia Sahli 890.94; Zach Sahli 1,521.27); Emergency Management 1,291.66; Highway Department 41,547.00; 4-H 3,487.16; 24/7 Sobriety 200.60.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$1,665.50; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 936.70; Colonial Life 477.22; First Concord Benefits Group 527.36; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 28,104.92; SD Retirement 14,297.18; SD Supplemental Retirement 975.00; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 413.92; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 32,454.00.

Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to pay all above claims. Motion carried.

DRAINAGE: Dustin Usselman, and via teleconference; Aaron Pilcher, Pilcher Law Firm, met with the Board to discuss water flow and culvert placement along County Road #31.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to enter into executive session at 9:20 A.M., according to SDCL 1-25-2(3). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 9:40 A.M.

WEED & PEST BOARD MEETING: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to open the weed meeting at 10:05 A.M. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2021 Weed & Pest Board Meeting. Motion carried.

WEED CONTROL: Michael Jager, Edmunds County Weed Supervisor, discussed personnel, chemical purchases, and the weed control plan for 2022 in Edmunds County.

Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Schaffner to adjourn the weed meeting at 10:20 A.M. Motion carried.

4-H AGREEMENT: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to approve and allow the chairman to sign the 2022 Memorandum of Understanding, between Edmunds County and SDSU Extension allowing for a 4-H program in Edmunds County with a full time county employee to serve in the role of 4-H Youth Program Advisor and Extension Office Administrator. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE HIRED: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to hire Mathew R. Waldner as full time Highway Mechanic, effective December 8, 2021, at a salary of \$21.00 per hour. Motion carried.

NECOG AGREEMENT: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff, to approve and allow the Chairman to sign the Joint Cooperative Agreement with the Northeast Council of Governments for the year of 2022, in the amount of \$8,378.93, for the purpose of providing planning, technical aid, and assistance capabilities to its membership and other units of local governments. Motion carried.

QUIT CLAIM DEED - SURPLUS PROPERTY: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to declare S25' of Lot 16 (less W20'), S25' of Lots 17 & 18, and Lot 19 (less W20'), Block 12, Original Plat Roscoe City, as surplus county property and to approve and allow the chairman to sign the quit claim deed which transfers the same to Brian Malsam Farms Inc., who had the high bid in the amount of \$46,000.00. Motion carried.

PLAT APPROVED: Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Preszler to approve the following resolution: Be it resolved, by the Edmunds County Board of Commissioners, that the following plat, having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof; Plat of Johnson's First Addition in the SW¼ of Section 25 and the SE¼ of Section 26, 123-66, in Edmunds County, South Dakota. Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on December 28th and January 4th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to adjourn at 10:45 A.M. Motion carried.

Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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