

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

February 22, 2022

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on February 22, 2022 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: Todd Holtz, Michael Jager, Bernel Lee, and Dale Preszler.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2022 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: SD Association of County Commissioners, Catastrophic Legal & Poor Relief Programs \$1,237.00; SD Association of County Officials, Register of Deeds Modernization and Preservation Relief fees 178.00; SD Department of Public Safety, teletype service 2,340.00; SD Department of Revenue, motor vehicle, state fees, & driver's license 151,430.35.

Phone & Utilities: Heartland Waste Management \$117.50; Hosmer City Office 90.50; Montana Dakota Utilities 4,467.35; Northern Electric Cooperative 273.67; Roscoe City Office 94.00; Venture Communications 81.40; Verizon Wireless 40.01; WEB Water Bottling Company 100.00; WEB Water 79.30.

Professional Services: First Concord Benefits Group \$31.50.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: SD Association Assessing Officers \$75.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Aberdeen Area Radiator LLC \$795.00; Agtegra Cooperative 26,656.22; ARC Parts Service and Repair 12.00; American Solutions for Business 202.40; Dakota Fluid Power 358.75; Dakota Ink & Toner 331.92; Dale's Building Supplies 121.69; Dollar General 77.40; Electrical Engineering & Equipment 315.00; Farnams Napa 160.01; Expetec of Aberdeen 99.00; Hase Plumbing & Heating 568.96; Heinz Snow Removal 170.00; Hutson Construction 85.00; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware 74.46; John Deere Financial 549.75; Ken's Foodfair 317.17; Mac's Hardware 106.24; Pierson Ford 167.94; Powerplan 2,404.39; Plunkett's Pest Control 81.12; Roscoe Trustworthy Hardware 67.32; SD Secretary of State 50.00; Servall Uniform & Linen 29.31; Tyler Technologies 449.00; WEX Bank 1,345.91.

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

FINANCIAL REPORT: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Schaffner to accept the January 31, 2022, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total January Receipts -- \$897,547.88
Total January Disbursements -- \$626,517.37

Balance in Checking Account -- \$156,766.37
Today's Receipts -- \$110,021.83
Change -- \$1,300.00
Money Market -- \$2,319,365.46
Money Certificates -- \$2,100,000.00
Total Cash Assets -- \$4,686,453.66

Edmunds County General Fund:

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| Balance January 1, 2022 | \$2,077,795.09 |
| January Receipts | 149,281.62 |
| January Disbursements | 217,251.93 |
| Balance January 31, 2022 | \$2,009,824.78 |

Motion carried.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to accept the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees for the month of January 2022 in the amount of \$7,227.35. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to enter into executive session at 9:20 A.M., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 10:15 A.M.

WEED & PEST BOARD MEETING: Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Mehlhaff to open the weed meeting at 10:20 A.M. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2021 Weed & Pest Board Meeting. Motion carried.

WEED CONTROL: Michael Jager, Edmunds County Weed Supervisor, reported on the Weed & Pest conference, which he attended, and discussed the purchase of chemical and the weed control plan for 2022 in Edmunds County.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to adjourn the weed meeting at 10:35 A.M. Motion carried.

AIRCRAFT: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to approve and allow the chairman to sign the Permit Application allowing Wilbur-Ellis Air LLC, to operate, take off, or land aircraft on Edmunds County roads for the year of 2022, for the purpose of servicing said aircraft in preparation for aerial application of chemical or fertilizer materials. The aircraft shall be operated at their own risk, the county will assume no liability, proof of liability insurance has been filed with the Edmunds County Auditor and the aircraft operator must follow all Federal and State laws and regulations. Motion carried.

BIDS - CULVERTS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Grosz to purchase culverts and bridge material off the bid which was awarded to True North Steel, at the January 11, 2022, Beadle County Commission meeting. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEES: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to increase the salary of Jason R. Shaykett, highway maintenance, to \$20.62 per hour, effective March 1, 2022. Motion carried.

Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to hire Dale A. Preszler as Foreman in the Highway Department, at a salary of \$21.62 per hour, effective March 1, 2022. Voice vote; majority - yes, Preszler - abstained. Motion carried.

JAIL: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve and allow the chairman to sign the Jail Rental Agreement with Brown County to provide housing for inmates in the Edmunds County Jail at a rate of \$75.00 per day for each prisoner. Motion carried.

JUNETEENTH: Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Preszler to amend Section 7.11 Holidays of the Edmunds County Personnel Policy by adding June 19th, Juneteenth, as a county paid holiday. Motion carried.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to allow Brandon Bowar, Scott Hedlund, Nathan Jaenisch, Cynthia Sahli, and Zachary Sahli to attend the Correctional Officer Training in Faulkton on March 10th & 11th, and/or March 29th & 30th. Motion carried.

Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to allow Keith Schurr to attend the SD Secretary of State Election Workshop in Aberdeen on March 23rd. Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on March 8th and March 22nd.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to adjourn at 10:55 A.M. Motion carried.



Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: 
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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