

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA  
May 10, 2022

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on May 10, 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: Kyle Couchey, Brittney Duvall, Michael Jager, Julie Johnson, Dale Preszler, Sandra Northrop, and Jonathan Waldner.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Schaffner to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022 regular meeting. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:** DMC Wear Parts LLC, sod mulcher \$43,158.00; SD Association of County Commissioners, Catastrophic Legal Relief Program 432.00; SD Department of Revenue, motor vehicle, state fees, & driver's license 122,280.73; SD Retirement Special Pay Plan, termination pay 3,126.61.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$52.35; Century Link 53.28; FEM Electric 448.97; Ipswich City Office 202.77; Montana Dakota Utilities 2,424.50; Midcontinent Communications 216.78; Reuer Sanitation 39.00; Valley Telecommunications 888.35; Verizon Wireless 276.40; WEB Water Bottling Company 111.50.

Professional Services: American Income Life Insurance \$205.00; Vaughn P. Beck 1,558.50; Certified Languages International 3.30; Edmunds County Abstract Co 50.00; First Concord Benefits Group 31.50; Katie Hogie 75.00; Sanford Health 177.30; SD Public Health Laboratory 80.00.

Publishing: Gibson Publishing Co \$1,775.83; The Pride of the Prairie 332.51.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Best Western Ramkota Pierre \$588.00; Election Systems & Software Inc 350.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Auto Value Parts Stores \$334.48; Bowdle Building & Hardware Center 146.59; Century Business Products 158.31; Connecting Point 79.00; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 7,309.57; Dakota Electronics 344.20; Dakota Fluid Power 364.60; Dakota Ink & Toner 499.98; Dollar General 81.35; Farm Power Manufacturing 1,770.35; Farnams Napa 73.82; Graham Tire Co 21.97; Ken's Foodfair 225.28; Laursen Asphalt Repair 136.78; D&L Diesel 255.21; Microfilm Imaging Systems 337.00; Pheasant Land Industries 161.61; Productivity Plus 23.96; Rock Tuff 552.68; Roscoe Trustworthy Hardware 43.23; Safety Service 249.05; Schurrs 145.00; Servall Uniform & Linen 29.38; TranSource Truck & Equipment 155.69; US Bank 1,108.10.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of April: Commissioners \$5,500.00; Auditor 8,166.48; Treasurer 7,723.64; States Attorney 4,151.82; Courthouse Maintenance 3,751.66; Director of Equalization 7,723.64; Register of Deeds 7,723.64; Veteran Service Officer 1,224.16; Sheriff's Department 29,259.05 (Speed Overtime pay: Kyle Couchey 307.40; Jonathan Waldner 617.72); (On call pay: Kyle Couchey 152.00; Daniel Hardison 114.00; Jonathan Waldner 74.00); County Jail 7,672.01 (Overtime Pay: Brandon Bowar 123.96; Scott Hedlund 370.11; Cynthia Sahli 118.38; Zach Sahli 177.57); Emergency Management 1,330.40; Highway Department 53,091.01 (Overtime Pay: Mike Horst 231.98; Jason Onken 247.44); Planning/Zoning 400.00; 4-H 3,591.74; 24/7 Sobriety 206.60.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$1,712.30; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 1,014.60; Colonial Life 380.06; First Concord Benefits Group 727.86; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 32,042.71; SD Retirement 16,370.84; SD Supplemental Retirement 1,125.00; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 428.04; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 34,018.00.

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

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Grosz to accept the April 30, 2022, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total April Receipts -- \$4,623,226.64  
 Total April Disbursements -- \$852,468.81

Balance in Checking Account -- \$1,278,774.26  
 Today's Receipts -- \$594,482.66  
 Change -- \$1,300.00  
 Money Market -- \$4,400,181.99  
 Money Certificates -- \$2,100,000.00  
 Total Cash Assets -- \$8,374,738.91

Edmunds County General Fund:

Balance April 1, 2022	\$2,015,832.26	
April Receipts	1,201,115.84	
April Disbursements	130,771.85	
Balance April 30, 2022	\$3,086,176.25	Motion carried.

**CORONER:** Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Grosz to increase the Coroner fee to \$150.00 per call and allow Kyle Couchey, Coroner, to use the Deputy Sheriff vehicle for Coroner duties, effective May 10, 2022. Motion carried.

**EMPLOYEE HIRED:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to hire Jailey T. Hutson as seasonal part-time assistant in the 4-H Department, at a salary of \$10.50 per hour, effective May 23, 2022 through August 19, 2022. The county will be reimbursed by the Edmunds County 4-H Leaders Association. Motion carried.

**EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to accept the resignation of Brandon L. Bowar, chief dispatcher, effective May 15, 2022. Motion carried.

**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve and allow the chairman to sign the joint powers agreement, between Edmunds County and Hosmer Township for the rental of county blade/motor grader, snow removal equipment and an operator. Motion carried.

**HIGHWAY SYSTEM – STRIPING:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to approve and allow the chairman to sign the agreement, between Edmunds County and the South Dakota Department of Transportation, for the striping of county roads within Edmunds County for approximately 37.5 miles and to provide for their continuing maintenance for the year 2022. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL POLICY:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Grosz to amend the Edmunds County Personnel Policy updating Section 5.11 – Exemptions to Overtime. Motion carried.

**SURPLUS PROPERTY:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to declare 2.97 ton of scrap iron as surplus county property and allow the same to be sold to Meyers Tractor Salvage LLC. Motion carried.

**TOWNSHIP BONDS:** Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Preszler to approve the following 2022 Township Clerks and Treasurers Bonds: Adrian – Betty Hoyle and Rachel Henderson; Belle – Dan Feldhaus and Anita Malsam; Bowdle – Colette Maier and Chad Haar; Bryant – Mavis Lehr and Donna Brockel; Clear Lake – David Palmer and Karen Biermann; Cleveland – Raymond Kub (Clerk/Treasurer); Cloyd Valley – Carmen Rohrbach and Brandon Rohrbach; Cortlandt – Gary Tostenson and Sylvia Davis; Cottonwood Lake – Pat Dewald and Pam Ellwein; Fountain – Amy Jo Johnson and Trisha Rausch; Glen – Sonia Ernst and Brad Klueber; Glover – Clyde Kilber and Joseph Schmidt; Harmony – Teri Geditz and Sarah Perrion; Hillside – Dawn Geist and Clayton Geist; Hosmer – Dale Schutz and Delene Schutz; Hudson – Conald Kaiser and Barbera Kaiser; Huntley – Mary Ann Volk and Bruce Opp; Ipswich – Colleen Forkel and Eric Sieh; Kent – Monte Petersen (Clerk/Treasurer); Liberty – Patty Kadlec and Dianne Stafford; Madison – Dale Bomesberger (Clerk/Treasurer); Modena – MaKayla Mitzel and Teresa Geier; Montpelier – MaryIn Ehnes and LeRoy Ehnes; North Bryant – Patrick Forkel and Michael Roesch; Odessa – Danielle Hoffman and Stella Buechler; Pembroke – John Blomster and Douglas Pettigrew; Powell – Carol Schaffner and Carol Pond; Richland – Amanda Rawden (Clerk/Treasurer); Rosette – Nathan Davis (Clerk/Treasurer); Sangamon – James Schaible and Kim Preszler; Union – Heather Lacher (Clerk/Treasurer); Vermont – Diane Allbee and Rodney Anderson. Motion carried.

**ZONING:** Eric Senger, Northeast Council of Governments, met with the Board to review the process and schedule to adopt the updated Edmunds County Planning and Zoning Ordinances.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED:** The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on May 24<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to adjourn at 11:15 A.M. Motion carried.

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Timothy Thomas  
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Keith Schurr  
Edmunds County Auditor

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