

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

August 16, 2022

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on August 16, 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, Michael Jager, Sandra Northrop, Dale Preszler, and Jonathan Waldner.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Grosz to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2022 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Jebro Inc, road oil \$70,647.30; Jensen Rock & Sand, culvert cement 6,246.50; Lien Transportation, hot mix 20,660.22; The Pride of the Prairie, publishing 594.46; SD Association County Commissioners, registration 975.00; SD Association of County Officials, Register of Deeds Modernization and Preservation Relief fees 142.00.

4-H Judging: Cheryl Finley \$66.88; Sandra Flittie 73.60; Janet Fuhrmann 52.32; Karen Harr 131.00; Cassie Holtz 67.87; Peggy Melius 113.60; Justin Ringkob 451.20; Heidi Sylte 40.00; Myra Toennies 64.64; Emily Volk 40.00.

Fire Insurance Tax Distribution: Bowdle Municipal Fire Dept \$2,345.94; Bowdle Rural Fire District 2,588.89; Hosmer Rural Fire District 2,769.32; Hoven Volunteer Fire Dept 160.61; Ipswich Volunteer Fire Dept 21,495.16; Onaka Volunteer Fire Dept 564.36; Roscoe Volunteer Fire Dept 6,094.66; Tolstoy Volunteer Fire Dept 241.62.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$67.85; FEM Electric 50.61; Heartland Waste Management 117.50; Midcontinent Communications 216.78; Montana Dakota Utilities 1,576.79; Northern Electric Cooperative 197.51; Valley Telecommunications 1,012.93; Verizon Wireless 642.46; WEB Water Bottling Company 118.25; WEB Water 86.27.

Professional Services: Avera Occupational Medicine \$309.00; Vaughn P. Beck 1,565.00; Brown County Jail 675.00; Certified Languages International 108.90; Edmunds County Abstract Co 25.00; First Concord Benefits Group 31.50; Leonard Gramm Funeral Home 389.00; Minnehaha County Auditor 70.70; Newman Traffic Signs 60.76; Lesia Rappe 120.00; Sanford Health 25.00; SD Public Health Laboratory 200.00; TNTax Business Services 639.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Agtegra Cooperative \$30,524.45; Bowdle Building & Hardware Center 30.59; Butler Machinery Co 501.20; Century Business Products 72.76; Charm-Tex 115.12; Connecting Point 79.00; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 364.35; Dakota Electronics 645.03; Dakota Ink & Toner 314.94; Diesel Machinery Inc 2,985.26; Dollar General 186.70; Electrical

Engineering & Equipment 435.00; Expetec of Aberdeen 174.00; Fischer Repair 18.58; Galls LLC 216.84; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware 209.74; John Deere Financial 525.58; Ken's Foodfair 432.11; Microfilm Imaging Systems 337.00; NAPA Auto Parts 458.03; Pheasant Land Industries 268.69; Pomp's Tire Service 759.76; Premier Equipment Inc 6.12; Productivity Plus 55.25; Roscoe Trustworthy Hardware 9.98; Safety Service 335.80; Servall Uniform & Linen 31.88; Sewer Duck Inc 242.00; TNT Transportation 1,680.00; US Bank 3,001.60; WEX Bank 2,871.09.

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

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

Total July Receipts -- \$564,215.26
Total July Disbursements -- \$1,611,250.50

Balance in Checking Account -- \$107,939.89
Today's Receipts -- \$12,120.53
Change -- \$1,300.00
Money Market -- \$2,838,735.81
Money Certificates -- \$2,100,000.00
Total Cash Assets -- \$5,060,096.23

Edmunds County General Fund:

Balance July 1, 2022	\$3,038,494.18
July Receipts	33,470.77
July Disbursements	963,913.09
Balance July 31, 2022	\$2,108,051.86

Motion carried.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Preszler to accept the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees for the month of July 2022 in the amount of \$4,077.00. Motion carried.

DISCRETIONARY FORMULA: The resolution was introduced by Commissioner Grosz, who moved its adoption: Resolution #2022-8-1, Discretionary Formula for reduced taxation of future new structures and additions, according to SDCL 10-6-137, to use 20% of the assessed value for taxation purposes in the 1st year, 40% in the 2nd year, 60% in the 3rd year, 80% in the 4th year and 100% in the 5th year and each year thereafter. A complete copy of the resolution is on file in the Edmunds County Auditor's Office. Motion to adopt the resolution was seconded by Schaffner. Roll call vote: Mehlhaff - yes, Grosz - yes, Schaffner - yes, Preszler - yes, Thomas - yes. Resolution adopted.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to deny participation in the 2023 Local Emergency Management Performance Grant Program through the SD Office of Emergency Management. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEES: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to accept the resignation of Ryan L. Schlechter, highway maintenance, effective August 19, 2022. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to switch the Edmunds County Sheriff Deputies' compensation to salaried, remove; on call pay, call back pay, holiday pay, Sunday pay, and all overtime - unless the overtime is reimbursed through a governmental grant, amend sections 5.10 and 5.11 of the personnel policy to reflect these changes, set the chief deputy's salary at \$60,156.00, other deputy's maximum salary at \$52,304.00, all effective October 1, 2022.

Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS – LONGEVITY PAY: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to amend the longevity plan, for employees of Edmunds County. The revised plan will begin at \$100.00, after completion of three years of service, and will increase each year thereafter by \$100.00, up to 30 years, and will be paid on the first pay period of each year beginning January of 2023. Permanent part time employees will receive 65% of full time longevity pay. Motion carried.

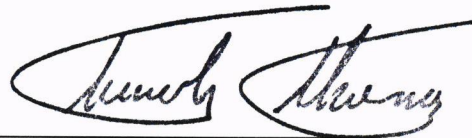
PROVISIONAL BUDGET: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Schaffner to increase 2023 salaries for county employees (other than Sheriff Deputies) by six percent for 2023. Three yes votes, motion carried.

Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Grosz to adopt the 2023 Provisional Budget in the following amounts: General Fund - \$2,336,450.00, County Road & Bridge Fund - \$4,148,570.00, Civil Defense Fund - \$61,325.00, RCW Fund - \$1,400.00, 911 Service Fund - \$50,000.00, 24-7 Sobriety Fund - \$4,850.00, M & P Relief Fund - \$15,500.00, American Rescue Plan Fund - \$372,000.00, Rural Access Infrastructure Fund - \$100,000.00, and to set September 6, 2022, at 9:00 A.M. as the date and time for the first public hearing on adoption of the Provisional Budget as the 2023 Annual Budget. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to enter into executive session at 10:00 A.M., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 10:25 A.M.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on September 6th and September 20th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to adjourn at 11:35 A.M. Motion carried.



Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: 
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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