COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

October 4, 2022

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. on October 4, 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: Vaughn Beck, Michael Jager, and Jonathan Waldner.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Schaffner to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2022 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Gibson Publishing Co, publishing $499.12; North Central Regional E911, phone surcharge 10,595.46; Safe Harbor, marriage and divorce fees 305.00; SD Association of County Commissioners, Catastrophic Poor Relief Program 168.63.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office $82.35; Century Link 53.67; FEM Electric 149.42; Ipswich City Office 189.78; Midcontinent Communications 216.78; Montana Dakota Utilities 170.13; Reuer Sanitation 39.00; Verizon Wireless 40.01.

Professional Services: Danielle Dalglish $522.35; Katie Hogie 125.00; Taliaferro Law Firm 378.25.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Audie Crouch $40.32; Best Western Ramkota Pierre 990.00; Brittney Duvall 262.40; Gwen Geditz 20.00; Mike Jager 118.50; Susan Malsom 43.68; Dean Mehlhaff 125.44; Werner Mohr 100.80; Bonnie Nehlich 228.00; Patricia Nigg 20.00; Chad Preszler 610.40; Safety Benefits Inc 150.00; Barb Schaefer 94.00; Jerome Schaffner 129.36; Keith Schurr 34.00; Timothy Thomas 201.60; Jonathan Waldner 230.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Auto Value Parts Stores $17.99; Beadle Ford Inc 148.01; Century Business Products 25.50; Dollar General 132.35; Election Systems & Software Inc 1,191.86; Eureka Plumbing 430.72; Plains Industries & Repair 364.84; Nathan Rohrbach 300.00; Schatz Line 25.00; True North Steel 8,688.19; Jonathan Waldner 406.00.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of September: Commissioners $5,500.00; Auditor 8,132.48; Treasurer 7,723.64; States Attorney 4,151.82; Courthouse Maintenance 640.00; Director of Equalization 7,723.64; Register of Deeds 7,723.64; Veteran Service Officer 1,224.16; Sheriff's Department 36,936.37 (Overtime Pay: Kyle Couchey 144.66; Daniel Hardison 1,260.47); (Speed Overtime pay: Kyle Couchey 1,012.62; Jonathan Waldner 1,410.83); (On call pay: Kyle Couchey 99.00; Daniel Hardison 208.50; David Hunter 16.00); County Jail 8,740.45 (Overtime Pay: Andrea Carlson 1,013.62; Heather Kulwicki 1,006.88; Nathan Jaenisch 1,309.40; Cynthia Sahli 1,228.20; Cory Snyder 288.76); Coroner 150.00;

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Emergency Management 1,330.40; Highway Department 53,083.44 (Overtime Pay: Jeremy Schlecht 23.20); Planning/Zoning 450.00; 4-H 3,605.74; 24/7 Sobriety 197.30.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC $1,520.66; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 918.20; Colonial Life 298.00; First Concord Benefits Group 727.86; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 34,691.72; SD Retirement 15,967.94; SD Supplemental Retirement 775.00; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 472.18; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 31,538.00.

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

PUBLIC HEARING: Raymond Kub, Coleen Forkel, Lester Forkel, Pius Malsom, Ricky Weisser, Dennis Hoyle, and Lori Waldner were present for the Public Hearing on the Edmunds County Five Year Highway & Bridge Improvement Plan. Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to adopt the proposed the Edmunds County Five Year Highway & Bridge Improvement Plan. Motion carried.

CHRISTMAS AT THE COURTHOUSE: The Wily Wizards 4H Club, asked permission to again sponsor a "Christmas at the Courthouse". Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Grosz to allow Christmas trees from different business, organizations, churches or individuals to be set up at the Edmunds County Courthouse for public viewing at designated times during the 2022 holiday season. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEES: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Grosz to approve the Sheriff's hiring of John W. Abshire, as part time Deputy Sheriff, at a salary of $20.00 per hour, effective September 30, 2022, and to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Peter T. Eng as full time Deputy Sheriff, effective October 1, 2022, at a salary of $51,304.00 per year. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL POLICY: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Schaffner to amend the Edmunds County Personnel Policy, by updating Section 5.8 – Comp Time, and Section 5.10 – On-Call Time, relating to Sheriff's Deputies now being salaried. Motion carried.

SUPPLEMENT BUDGET: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Schaffner to supplement the Election Budget, in the amount of $3,778.56, with Title II HAVA Grant money received, all per SDCL 7-21-20.1. Motion carried.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to declare 6.11 ton of scrap iron as surplus county property and allow the same to be sold to Meyers Tractor Salvage LLC. Motion carried.

Motioned by Schaffner, seconded by Preszler to declare the following three items as surplus county property and accept the sales with AuctionTime online auctions: 1980 Flaherty Chip Spreader VIN #6332, ID CS-1 $5,100; 1985 Cornhusker trailer VIN #7737, ID T-22X $1,800; and 2012 John Deere Motor Grader VIN #0101, ID M-12 $105,200. Motion carried.

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TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to allow Jason Shaykett to attend the Mosquito Control & West Nile Conference in Aberdeen on October 18th, and Michael Jager to attend the Annual Regional Local Road Conference in Rapid City on October 18th-20th. Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 A.M. on October 18th and November 10th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to adjourn at 10:50 A.M. Motion carried.

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Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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