

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA
March 7, 2023

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on March 7, 2023 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Dean Mehlhaff, Morris Grosz, Micheal J. Geditz, 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: Michael Jager, and Jonathan Waldner.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Geditz to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Gibson Publishing Co, publishing \$322.60; Daniel Hardison, workers compensation 1,278.74.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$90.10; Century Link 54.93; FEM Electric Association 733.61; Ipswich City Office 187.12; Midcontinent Communications 281.78; Montana Dakota Utilities 140.59; Reuer Sanitation 39.00; Verizon Wireless 641.53.

Professional Services: Vaughn P. Beck \$1,640.91; Credit Collections Bureau 148.54; First Concord Benefits Group 36.00; Katie Hogie 125.00.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Arrowwood Conference Center \$217.84; SDAE4-HP 65.00; SD Weed & Pest Association 100.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: A & B Business Inc \$325.48; Aman Electric LLC 215.32; Auto Value Parts Stores 206.52; Axon Enterprises Inc 749.47; Beadle Ford Inc 2,057.61; Bowdle Building & Hardware Center 50.64; Century Business Products 180.79; Connecting Point 84.24; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 1,980.42; Dakota Ink & Toner 471.97; Frontier Precision 15.00; Heier's Body & Repair Shop LLC 1,497.58; Heinz Snow Removal 212.50; Hutson Construction 403.75; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware 33.88; Menards 203.44; Microfilm Imaging Systems 337.00; Minn-Kota Communications 8,900.63; NAPA Auto Parts 189.24; Plunkett's Pest Control 86.80; PM Auto & Truck Repair 1,377.26; Quality Welding Inc 798.08; Servall Uniform & Linen 31.88.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of February: Commissioners \$5,831.00; Auditor 8,605.58; Treasurer 8,107.08; States Attorney 4,400.90; Courthouse Maintenance 3,466.66; Director of Equalization 8,107.08; Register of Deeds 8,107.08; Veteran Service Officer 1,297.58; Sheriff's Department/Jail 47,406.97 (Speed Overtime pay: Kyle Couchey 2,158.16; Peter Eng 94.31; Jonathan Waldner 1,150.50); (Overtime Pay: Andrea Carlson 1,207.24; Nathan Jaenisch 174.57; Cynthia Sahli 1,976.00; Sarah Sahli 1,928.21; Philip Wimberly 7.47); Emergency Management 1,410.24; Highway Department 58,041.45; 4-H 3,807.24; 24/7 Sobriety 219.00.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$1,931.66; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 1,180.90; Colonial Life 298.00; First Concord Benefits Group 911.02; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 35,913.91; SD Retirement 18,569.38; SD Supplemental Retirement 775.00; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 524.80; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 34,688.00.

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

BIDS 2023: Magnesium Chloride: A bid was received for the purchase of mag water from Dustbusters Enterprises Inc at \$1.56 per gallon.

Bituminous Mixture: Bids were received, for the purchase of AC Hot Mix 120-150 ½" crush and ¾" crush, from the following: Lien Transportation Company - \$92.75 per ton; Jensen Rock & Sand Inc - \$92.75 per ton.

Construction Equipment Rental: Bids were received for track excavator rental from the following: HF Jacobs and Son Construction Inc - CAT 320 \$185.00 per hour; long reach \$240.00 per hour; JV Corporation - CAT 306 \$155.00 per hour; Lien Transportation Company - CAT 320 \$225.00 per hour; Moser Excavating LLC - John Deere 200G \$175.00 per hour.

Crushed Gravel: All prices are per ton. Bids were received, for gravel stockpiles from the following; Brownlee Construction Inc - 1" crushed gravel \$6.70 (Arbach pit), ¾" crushed gravel \$6.95 (Arbach pit); 1" crushed gravel \$7.00 (Hettich pit), ¾" crushed gravel \$7.30 (Hettich pit); 1" crushed gravel \$6.70 (Rausch pit), ¾" crushed gravel \$6.95 (Rausch pit); BDM Gravel LLC - 1" crushed gravel \$5.50 (Hillsview pit), ¾" crushed gravel \$5.50 (Hillsview pit); H.F. Jacobs & Son Construction Inc - 1" crushed gravel \$6.37 (Gross pit), 1" crushed gravel \$5.65 (Hauck Pit); 1" crushed gravel \$5.75 (Spitzer pit); Hall Sand & Gravel - 1" crushed gravel \$8.75 (Aberdeen site); Hettich Sand & Gravel - ¾" crushed gravel \$7.00, pit run gravel \$2.50; JV Corporation - pit run gravel \$11.00; Lien Transportation Company - 1" crushed gravel \$15.50, ¾" crushed gravel \$15.50, ½" crushed aggregate \$44.00; Obenauer Sand-Gravel & Construction - 1" crushed gravel \$6.12, ¾" crushed gravel at \$6.29, ½" crushed aggregate \$16.70, Pit Run at \$2.84 (Hillsview pit).

Road Oil: Bids were received, for the purchase of road oil, from the following: Flint Hills Resources - MC-3000 at \$914.00 per ton; Jebro Inc - MC-70 at \$1,278.36 per ton, MC-800 at \$1,053.36 per ton, MC-3000 at \$978.36 per ton, and AE-150S at \$802.09 per ton.

Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to accept all above 2023 bids. Motion carried.

4-H ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to accept the 2023 Edmunds County 4-H Advisory Committee Roster: Madi Gellhaus, Barb Kaiser, Mackenzie Kaiser, Chad Preszler, Amanda Rawden, Charli Rawden, Kara Secker, and Heather Shuff. Motion carried.

ANNUAL REPORT: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Grosz to accept the 2022 Edmunds County Annual Report prepared according to SDCL 7-10-4. Motion carried.

CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINE: Aaron Eldridge, Summit Carbon Solutions Project Manager, met with the Board to give updates concerning the proposed carbon dioxide pipeline and to discuss upcoming Road Crossing Permits.

EMPLOYEES: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Grosz to confirm the Highway Superintendent's termination of Jeremy W. Meyer, Highway Maintenance, effective February 28, 2023. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to accept the resignation of Phillip H. Wimberly, dispatcher, effective March 2, 2023. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Mande M. Meidinger, as full-time dispatcher to work in the Sheriff's Department, effective March 7, 2023, at a salary of \$19.91 per hour. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to enter executive session at 9:30 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 10:05 a.m.

INSURANCE: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to increase the County's General, Automotive, and Law Enforcement Liability Insurance limits to \$4 million with the SD Public Assurance Alliance. Motion carried.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to allow Bonnie Nehlich to attend the SDSU Extension 4-H Spring Conference in Aberdeen on March 28th-30th, and allow Bonnie Nehlich to attend the SDSU 4-H Online and Fair Entry Training in Aberdeen on April 13th, Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on March 21st and April 11th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Motion carried.

Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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