

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

June 6, 2023

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on June 6, 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: Vaughn Beck, Kyle Couchey, Michael Jager, George Kessler, Leona Pitz, and Jonathan Waldner.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2023 regular meeting. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:** Lamb Motor Co., Highway Department 2023 Chevrolet pickup \$40,935.00; The Pride of the Prairie, publishing 155.08; Jackie Schraeder, professional services 125.00. Phone & Utilities: Century Link \$54.61; Ipswich City Office 190.76; Midcontinent Communications 281.78; Montana Dakota Utilities 54.95; Reuer Sanitation 39.00.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Best Western Ramkota Pierre \$154.00; Peter Eng 14.00; Gwen Geditz 40.00; Patricia Nigg 171.20; Keith Schurr 40.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: American Solutions for Business \$197.95; Auto Value Parts Stores 1,347.73; Beadle Ford Inc 37.13; Century Business Products 40.00; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 395.28; Hutson Construction 191.25; Share Corporation 563.14.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of May: Commissioners \$5,831.00; Auditor 8,605.58; Treasurer 8,187.08; States Attorney 4,400.90; Courthouse Maintenance 3,466.66; Director of Equalization 8,187.08; Register of Deeds 8,187.08; Veteran Service Officer 1,297.58; Sheriff's Department/Jail 37,098.81 (Speed Overtime pay: Jonathan Waldner 138.06); (Overtime Pay: Andrea Carlson 49.28; Mande Meidinger 120.96; Cynthia Sahli 156.83); Emergency Management 1,410.24; Highway Department 49,646.51 (Overtime Pay: Jason Onken 180.35); 4-H 3,807.24; 24/7 Sobriety 219.00.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$1,931.66; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 1,055.40; Colonial Life 298.00; First Concord Benefits Group 911.02; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 30,693.51; SD Retirement 16,166.06; SD Supplemental Retirement 775.00; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 498.56; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 33,511.00.

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

**CLOSE HIGHWAY:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to allow the Mina Lake Celebrations Committee to close County Highway #32 (old Hwy 12) from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on July 3,

2023, between Lucinda Lane and North Sunset Drive for fireworks display from county bridge.  
Motion carried.

**EMPLOYEES:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to hire Rick J. Holland as seasonal part-time employee in the Highway Department, effective June 6, 2023 through August 31, 2023, at a salary of \$21.86 per hour. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to hire Robert V. Rutt as full-time employee in the Highway Department, effective June 12, 2023, at a salary of \$21.36 per hour, with a \$0.50 per hour raise in 90 days. Motion carried.

**HIGHWAY PICKUP:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to purchase one (1) new 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 4x4 Crew Cab pickup as per GM Bid Assist Fleet Program, from Lamb Chevrolet, in the amount of \$40,935.00, for the Highway Department. Motion carried.

**JAIL:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve and allow the chairman to sign the Jail Agreement, with Day County, to provide housing for Edmunds County prisoners at a rate of \$85.00 per day in the Day County facility. Motion carried.

**QUIT CLAIM DEED - SURPLUS PROPERTY:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to declare Lots 17 & 18, Block 9, Milwaukee Land Company's 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, Hosmer City, as surplus county property and to approve and allow the chairman to sign the quit claim deed which transfers the same to Robert and Yvette Rutt, who had the high bid in the amount of \$1,200.00. Motion carried.

**SHERIFF DISPATCH:** Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to contract with the City of Mobridge / North Central E911 to provide dispatch services for Edmunds County as needed at a rate of \$195.00 per day. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to enter executive session at 9:40 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 9:55 a.m.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED:** The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on June 20<sup>th</sup> and July 12<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. Motion carried.



Timothy Thomas  
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:



Keith Schurr  
Edmunds County Auditor

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