

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

November 7, 2023

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on November 7, 2023 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Morris Grosz, Micheal J. Geditz, Chad Preszler, Timothy Thomas, and Dean Mehlhaff. Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Andrea Carlson, Blake Holland, Michael Jager, and Dale Preszler.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2023 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Fountain Township, Rural Access Infrastructure Grant cost share \$11,881.54. Phone & Utilities: Century Link \$55.53; Ipswich City Office 193.45; Midcontinent Communications 281.78; Montana Dakota Utilities 49.55; Reuer Sanitation 39.00; Verizon Wireless 597.35. Professional Services: Vaughn P. Beck \$1,695.09; Bowdle Hospital 592.00; Cogley Law Office LLC 378.30; Pennington County Jail 119.78.

Publishing: Gibson Publishing Co \$319.29; The Pride of the Prairie 141.63.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Kyle Couchey \$18.60; Peter Eng 252.00; David Hunter 20.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Access Elevator & Lifts Inc \$861.00; Century Business Products 167.68; Crawford Trucks & Equipment 634.82; Dakota Electronics 336.50; Dollar General 19.55; Election Systems & Software Inc 1,672.13; FEM Electric 1,720.64; Heier's Body & Repair Shop 1,382.00; Intoximeters Inc 325.00; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware 120.47; Menards 36.18; PM Auto & Truck Repair 391.75; SDSU Animal Science 43.50; Sport Boards 37.00; US Bank 9,589.85; Walberg Precision LLC 115.00.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of October: 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 7,841.62; Register of Deeds 8,187.08; Veteran Service Officer 1,297.58; Sheriff's Department/Jail 44,542.72 (Speed Overtime pay: Daniel Braun 380.84; Kyle Couchey 216.90; Peter Eng 188.63; Cody Petersen 689.13; Jonathan Waldner 230.10); (Overtime Pay: April Bollinger-Bryant 533.74; Andrea Carlson 674.92; Nathan Jaenisch 513.84; Brooke Jensen 335.98; Cynthia Sahli 94.10); Emergency Management 1,410.24; Highway Department 50,616.36 (Overtime pay: Anthony Wika 16.40); 4-H 3,807.24; Coroner 150.00; 24/7 Sobriety 219.00.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$1,931.66; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 1,155.80; Colonial Life 298.00; First Concord Benefits Group 947.02; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 32,687.70; SD Retirement 17,393.56; SD Supplemental Retirement 1,062.04; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 521.35; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 36,130.00.

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

CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINE: Kylie Lange, Sr. Project Manager, Summit Carbon Solutions, and Jim Seurer, Chief Executive Officer, Glacial Lakes Energy LLC, met with the Board to give updates concerning the proposed carbon dioxide pipeline and to discuss possible changes to the pipeline route.

E911 SERVICES: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Geditz to approve and allow the chairman to sign the joint powers agreement, binding all eight member counties to the bylaws and operation of the North Central Regional E-911 Center. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to accept the resignation of Anthony J. Wika, highway maintenance, effective November 9, 2023. Motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER/JAIL: Jonathan Waldner and Kyle Couchey met with the Board to discuss the proposed new Edmunds County Law Enforcement Center/Jail and the scheduled public informational meetings.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to declare 3.38 ton of scrap iron as surplus county property and allow the same to be sold to Meyers Tractor Salvage LLC. Motion carried.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to allow Michael Jager to attend the South Dakota Association of Towns and Townships Annual Meeting in Oacoma on December 7th-8th. Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on November 21st and December 5th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to adjourn at 11:20 a.m. Motion carried.

Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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