COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

December 5, 2023

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on December 5, 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: Andrea Carlson, Kyle Couchey, Blake Holland, Michael Jager, and Jonathan Waldner.

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

CLAIMS APPROVED: RDO Equipment Co, new Superior Broom street sweeper $79,927.28.

Phone & Utilities: AT&T Mobility $96.24; Century Link 55.53; Ipswich City Office 189.86; Montana Dakota Utilities 113.11; Reuer Sanitation 39.00.

Professional Services: Courtney Baer $125.00; Edmunds County Abstract Co 50.00; First Concord Benefits Group 36.00; Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Sauck & Hieb Law Office 53.50; Roberts County Jail 1,000.00.

Publishing: Gibson Publishing Co $308.84; The Pride of the Prairie 246.96.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Best Western Ramkota Sioux Falls $1,034.98; Mike Jager 333.60; National Sheriffs' Association 125.00; Dionne Olson 28.00; SD Association of Towns and Townships 150.00; SD Association of Weed & Pest Supervisors 75.00; Jason Shaykett 20.00; Heather Shuff 28.00; Jonathan Waldner 48.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Applied Concepts Inc $3,450.00; Auto Value Parts Stores 1,967.23; Bowdle Building & Hardware Center 216.77; Century Business Products 60.54; Custom Installation Solutions 12,516.00; FedEx 29.87; Floyd's Truck Center 1,736.01; Heier's Body & Repair Shop 3,329.20; McLeod's Office Supply 107.53; Microfilm Imaging Systems 337.00; Midstates Group 181.00; Premier Equipment Inc 908.31; StopStick Ltd 505.00.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of November: 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 6,756.56; Register of Deeds 8,187.08; Veteran Service Officer 1,297.58; Sheriff's Department/Jail 43,180.16 (Speed Overtime pay: Jonathan Waldner 368.16); (Overtime Pay: April Bollinger-Bryant 348.77; Andrea Carlson 336.71; Nathan Jaenisch 23.52; Brooke Jensen 89.60; Cynthia Sahli 313.65); Emergency Management 1,410.24; Highway Department 60,776.64; 4-H 3,807.24; 24/7 Sobriety 219.00.

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Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC $1,931.66; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 1,105.60; Colonial Life 298.00; First Concord Benefits Group 911.02; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 34,805.55; SD Retirement 17,948.98; SD Supplemental Retirement 1,062.04; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 514.53; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 34,687.00.

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

BIDS – MOTOR GRADER: Bid opening for the sale of one 2018 John Deere 772G Motor Grader, county ID M-7, VIN 684377, began at 9:00 a.m. One bid was received; RDO Equipment Company $182,000.00. Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to declare the Motor Grader as surplus county property and accept the bid from RDO Equipment Company in the amount of $182,000.00. Motion carried.

CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINE: Alex Lange, Director of Engineering, Summit Carbon Solutions, met with the Board to give updates concerning the proposed carbon dioxide pipeline and to discuss possible changes to the pipeline route.

EMPLOYEE STEP: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to increase the salary of Brooke M. Jensen, dispatcher, to $20.41 per hour, effective December 16, 2023. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY SYSTEM: The Board of Commissioner held a public hearing on the adoption of the 2024 Edmunds County Five Year Highway & Bridge Improvement Plan.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER/JAIL: Thomas Grimmond, Colliers Securities, discussed the procedure for financing the proposed new Edmunds County Law Enforcement Center/Jail. Resolution 2023-12-1, authorizing a special election issuing county bonds for the purpose of constructing a new facility was presented. Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to table action on the resolution until the December 19, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on December 19th and January 2nd.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to adjourn at 10:25 a.m. Motion carried.

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Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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