

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

October 8, 2024

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on October 8, 2024 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Morris Grosz, Micheal J. Geditz, Chad Preszler, and Timothy Thomas. Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Dean Mehlhaff arrived at 9:45 a.m. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Michael Jager, Michael Varilek, and Jonathan Waldner.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Grosz to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2024 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Dakota Doors Inc, new highway shop doors \$58,752.59; Safe Harbor, marriage and divorce fees 430.00; True North Steel, culverts 9,801.00..

Law Enforcement Center: Kappes Tree Service \$550.00; M&K Tree Transplanting 200.00.

Phone & Utilities: AT&T Mobility \$424.84; Century Link 61.52; FEM Electric 235.13; Ipswich City Office 289.07; Midcontinent Communications 286.78; Reuer Sanitation 46.00; Roscoe City Office 91.40; Venture Communications 86.04.

Professional Services: Beadle County Jail \$665.00; Vaughn P. Beck 1,716.67; Brown County Jail \$2,700.00; Dohrer Law Office 487.00; James Drug 82.04; Kuck Law Office 630.75; SD Public Health Laboratory 160.00; William Tweedy 163.48.

Publishing: Gibson Publishing Co \$160.59; The Pride of the Prairie 136.34.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: SD Veteran Service Officers Association \$50.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: American Solutions for Business \$51.71; Auto Value Parts Stores 512.01; Beadle Ford Inc 1,113.16; Bowdle Building & Hardware Center 41.57; Central Square Technologies 2,401.30; Century Business Products 157.73; Dollar General 18.00; Election Systems & Software Inc 1,140.97; Expetec of Aberdeen 588.47; Graham Tire Co 1,014.28; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware 22.48; Microfilm Imaging Systems 767.00; Premier Equipment Inc 69.50; SD Department of Transportation 330.07; Stan Houston Equipment 877.00; TranSource Truck & Equipment 689.72; Two Way Solutions Inc 509.94; US Bank 6,958.89.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of September: Commissioners \$6,112.50; Auditor 9,056.24; Treasurer 8,637.50; States Attorney 4,620.82; Courthouse Maintenance 3,692.00; Director of Equalization 8,637.50; Register of Deeds 8,637.50; Veteran Service Officer 1,362.50; Sheriff's Department 51,135.31 (Overtime Pay: April Bollinger-Bryant 91.62; Andrea Carlson 374.10; Nathan Jaenisch 420.11; Brooke Jensen 399.78; Cindy Sahli 66.63); (Highway Safety Grant: Kyle Couchey 2,085.18; Peter Eng 1,269.61; Cody Peterson 2,261.48; Jonathan

Waldner 311.81); Emergency Management 1,480.82; Highway Department 56,817.53; 4-H 4,032.50; 24/7 Sobriety 232.00.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$2,506.24; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 1,113.30; Colonial Life 704.02; First Concord Benefits Group 1,053.02; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 36,423.33; SD Retirement 19,526.74; SD Supplemental Retirement 1,512.04; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 600.69; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 39,396.00.

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

FINANCIAL REPORT: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Geditz to accept the September 30, 2024, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total September Receipts -- \$703,082.10
Total September Disbursements -- \$701,188.52

Balance in Checking Account -- \$319,065.56
Today's Receipts -- \$59,373.13
Change -- \$1,300.00
Money Market -- \$915,105.43
Money Certificates -- \$2,100,000.00
Total Cash Assets -- \$3,394,844.12

Edmunds County General Fund:

Balance September 1, 2024	\$1,790,937.68
September Receipts	112,845.71
September Disbursements	208,334.68
Balance September 30, 2024	\$1,695,448.71

Motion carried.

WEED & PEST BOARD MEETING: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to open the weed meeting at 9:15 a.m. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Geditz to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2024 Weed & Pest Board Meeting. Motion carried.

WEED CONTROL: Michael Jager, Edmunds County Weed Supervisor, discussed weed control progress for 2024, chemical grants, and the weed control plan for 2025 in Edmunds County.

Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to adjourn the weed meeting at 9:30 a.m. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY SYSTEM: The Edmunds County Five Year Highway & Bridge Improvement Plan was presented to the Board of Commissioner and public hearing was held. Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to adopt the 2025 Edmunds County Five Year Highway & Bridge Improvement Plan. Roll call vote: Mehlhaff - absent, Grosz - yes, Geditz - yes, Preszler - yes, Thomas - yes. Motion carried.

K-9 UNIT: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to purchase a K-9 police drug dog from Next Level Canine Institute. Voice vote; majority - yes, Grosz - no. Motion carried.

MILEAGE RATES: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to raise the rate for County mileage reimbursement from 56 cents per mile to 67 cents per mile, effective October 15, 2024. Motion carried.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to allow Michael Jager to attend the Annual Regional Local Road Conference in Sioux Falls on October 21st-23rd. Motion carried.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to declare 4.5 ton of scrap iron as surplus county property and allow the same to be sold to Meyers Tractor Salvage LLC. Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on October 22nd and November 7th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff 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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