

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA
November 19, 2024

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on November 19, 2024 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, Brittney Duvall, Gwen Geditz, Michael Jager, Corey Johnson, Sandra Northrop, Dale Preszler, Eric Rapp, and Jonathan Waldner.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2024 regular meeting with the following correction: LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to accept the bids, including alternate #1, for the construction of the new Edmunds County Law Enforcement Center and Jail, GA Johnson Construction as Manager in the amount of \$8,393,671.00, with a current completion date of January 2026. (The November 7th minutes mistakenly listed commissioner Grosz as making the motion). Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Post-election audit payroll \$180.00; SD Association of County Officials, M & P fees 138.00; SD Department of Revenue, motor vehicle, state fees, & driver's license 124,591.58; SDRS Retirement Special Pay Plan, participant fee 45.00.

Law Enforcement Center: HMN Architects Inc \$10,875.60.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$136.39; Montana Dakota Utilities 1,371.59; Northern Electric Cooperative 235.96; WEB Water 104.08; WEB Water Bottling Company 282.50.

Professional Services: Charles Mix County Jail \$90.00; Day County Jail 1,190.00; Faulkton Area Medical Center 518.00; Jerald McNeary Attorney 287.50.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: A-1 Locksmithing \$17.00; Axon Enterprises 20,075.97; Butler Machinery Co 2,987.46; Century Business Products 139.10; Diamond S Heating & Cooling 85.00; Expetec of Aberdeen 252.90; FedEx 40.55; John Deere Financial 1,767.53; McLeod's Office Supply 302.28; Menards 75.40; Midwest Pump and Tank 189.82; Northern Truck & Equipment 1,469.65; Pomp's Tire Service 17,142.03; Premier Equipment Inc 315.83; Titan Machinery CNH 11,882.81; Runnings Supply Inc 105.48; Safety Service 13.39; Sanitation Products Inc 423.91; Servall Uniform & Linen 31.64; True North Steel 143.55; TwoTrees Technologies 46.25; Wallwork Truck Center 915.96; WEX Bank 2,611.23.

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

FINANCIAL REPORT: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to accept the October 31, 2024, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total October Receipts -- \$4,445,189.78
Total October Disbursements -- \$961,855.68

Balance in Checking Account -- \$3,096,390.83
Today's Receipts -- \$555,659.08
Change -- \$1,300.00
Money Market -- \$1,124,828.31
Money Certificates -- \$2,100,000.00
Total Cash Assets -- \$6,878,178.22

Edmunds County General Fund:

Balance October 1, 2024	\$1,695,448.71
October Receipts	1,232,669.16
October Disbursements	178,581.51
Balance October 31, 2024	\$2,749,536.36

Motion carried.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to accept the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees for the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$8,476.40. Motion carried.

4-H AGREEMENT: Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve and allow the chairman to sign the 2025 Memorandum of Understanding, between Edmunds County and SDSU Extension, allowing for a 4-H program in Edmunds County with a full-time county employee to serve in the role of 4-H Youth Program Advisor and Extension Office Administrator. Motion carried.

BRIDGES: Michael Gutenkauf, IMEG Engineering Corporation, presented the Board with the 2024 Edmunds County Bridge Inspection Report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to enter executive session at 9:20 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 9:35 a.m.

EMPLOYEES: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Lily C. Hohn, as full-time dispatcher to work in the Sheriff's Department, effective November 12, 2024, at a salary of \$21.21 per hour. Motion carried.

Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to accept the resignation of Keith A. Schurr, Auditor, effective January 3, 2025. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to temporarily appoint Dionne M. Olson, as Edmunds County Auditor, effective January 3, 2025, at an annual salary of \$58,960.00, with a six-month probationary performance review period. Motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve and allow the chairman to sign the contract with Geotek Engineering & Testing Services Inc. as geotechnical engineer to perform soil testing for the new Law Enforcement Center. Motion carried.