

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA  
May 20, 2025

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on May 20, 2025 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Dean Mehlhaff, William Tweedy, 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, Audie Crouch, Teri Haselhorst, Michael Jager, George Kessler, Cody Peterson, Heather Shuff, Jonathan Waldner, Bryan Warner, and Morgan Weisser.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2025 regular meeting. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:** SD Association of County Commissioners, Catastrophic Legal \$3,974.00; SD Association of County Officials, M & P fees 102.00; SD Department of Transportation, Bridge Improvement Grant cost share 642.20.

Law Enforcement Center: HMN Architects Inc \$7,250.00.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office \$128.39; Heartland Waste Management Inc. 150.00; Montana Dakota Utilities 1,749.02; Northern Electric Inc 267.35; Roscoe City Office 91.90; Tri State Water Inc. 211.97; Valley Telecommunications 1,005.90; Web Water 114.47.

Professional Services: Bantz, Gosch & Cremer LLC \$718.97; Day County Sheriff's Office 1785.00; Christopher D. Dohrer 372.00; Faulk County Sheriff's Office 990.00; Sanford Health OccMed 122.00; Jackie Schraeder 125.00; SD Public Health Lab 290.00; Taliaferro Law Firm P.C. 897.75.

Publishing: Gibson Publishing \$334.85.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Clubhouse Hotel & Suites Pierre \$448.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: 3D Security Inc. \$100.00; Agtegra Cooperative 33,587.27; Century Business Products 139.35; Dakota Ink & Toner 300.93; Dakota Insurance Solutions 50.00; Expetec of Aberdeen 462.60; Floyds Kubota 549.43; Fischer Repair 46.50; Heier's Body Shop 3,507.21; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware LLC 92.08; John Deere Financial 103.74; Pomps Tire Service Inc. 9,478.06; Pro Ag Supply Inc. 442.43; Roscoe Trustworthy Hardware 166.35; Runnings Supply Inc 317.97; Servall Uniform & Linen 31.64; Safety Service Inc. 11,416.50; Schurr's 470.75; Thares Construction 1,428.57; US Bank 3,327.40; Wallwork Truck Center 1,478.95; WEX Bank 2,664.66.

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

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Tweedy to accept the April 30, 2025, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total April Receipts -- \$5,148,496.07  
Total April Disbursements -- \$1,839,253.80

Balance in Checking Account -- \$3,575,107.66  
Today's Receipts -- \$720,579.63  
Change -- \$1,300.00  
Money Market -- \$194,538.49  
SD FIT – Unassigned -- \$1,392,297.69  
SD FIT – GO Bonds -- \$6,174,030.90  
Money Certificates -- \$1,800,000.00  
Total Cash Assets -- \$13,857,854.37

Edmunds County General Fund:

Balance April 1, 2025	\$1,644,134.89	
April Receipts	1,310,140.18	
April Disbursements	233,620.99	
Balance April 30, 2025	\$2,720,654.08	Motion carried.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to accept the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees for the month of April 2025 in the amount of \$4,151.10.  
Motion carried.

**AXON CONTRACT:** Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to approve a five-year contract between Edmunds County and Axon Enterprises Inc for five Fleet 3 Advanced camera systems with Automated License Plate Readers, in the amount of \$56,859.18.  
Motion Carried.

Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve a five-year contract between Edmunds County and Axon Enterprises Inc for two Police Body Cameras and Taser Systems, for use by the Jail Administrator and Jail Deputy, in the amount of \$28,446.40.  
Motion carried.

**CLOSE HIGHWAY:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler 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, 2025, between Lucinda Lane and North Sunset Drive for fireworks display from county bridge. Also allowing the closure of Nesbitt Drive on the morning of July 4, 2025 for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. Motion carried.

**EMPLOYEES:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy to hire Jillian Fischer as seasonal part-time assistant in the 4-H Department, at a salary of \$11.50 per hour, effective May 27, 2025 through August 15, 2025. The county will be reimbursed by the Edmunds County 4-H Leaders Association. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Bryan M.

Warner as full time K-9 Deputy Sheriff, effective May 19, 2025, at a salary of \$26.96 per hour. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to accept the resignation of Heather M. Shuff, Highway Secretary, effective May 29, 2025. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to hire Wendy Knittel as Highway Secretary, effective May 22, 2025, at a salary of \$23.04 per hour, with a 50 cent per hour raise on August 22, 2025. Motion carried.

**PLATS APPROVED:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to approve the following resolution: Be it resolved, by the Edmunds County Board of Commissioners, that the following plats, having been examined are hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof: Plat of Lots 1 and 2, Gisi Addition in the NW ¼ of Section 21, T123N in Edmunds County, South Dakota. Motion carried.

**SHERIFFS OFFICE:** Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Preszler to change the pay of the Sheriff's Deputies from salary to hourly, in accordance with the Fair Labor Standards Act, at an hourly rate of: Daniel Braun - \$27.20, Kyle Couchey - \$30.97, Peter Eng - \$27.20, and Cody Peterson - \$27.20. Also, add on-call pay for Sheriff's Deputies at a rate of \$2.00 per hour. Motion Carried.

**TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to allow Morgan Weisser to use the County Pickup to attend the 4-H Horse Show in Leola on July 1. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to enter into executive session at 9:13 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(3). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 10:12 a.m.

Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to enter into executive session at 11:14 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 11:20 p.m.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED:** The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 17<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Mehlhaff to adjourn at 11:25 a.m. Motion carried.

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Timothy Thomas  
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dionne Olson  
Edmunds County Auditor

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UNAPPROVED