

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA
May 6, 2025

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on May 6, 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, Michael Jager, Brooke Jensen, Cody Peterson, Heather Shuff, and Jonathan Waldner.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Tweedy to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2025 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Exotic Coating LLC, basement flooring \$3,662.55; SD Department of Revenue, Malt Beverage License 300.00.

Law Enforcement Center: GA Johnson Construction \$926,250.07.

Phone & Utilities: AT&T Mobility \$545.15; FEM Electric Association Inc 663.10; Ipswich City Office 328.14; Midcontinent Communications 295.78; Montana Dakota Utilities 77.95; Reuer Sanitation 46.00; Verizon Wireless 162.77.

Professional Services: Avera St. Mary's Hospital \$1,543.73; Vaughn P. Beck 1,951.73; Edmunds County Abstract 25.00; First Concord Benefits Group 36.00; Schriver Funeral Home 2,000.00.

Publishing: The Pride of the Prairie \$186.02.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Ramkota Hotel \$424.00; SD Association of Assessing Officers 250.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: American Solutions For Business \$175.62; Auto Value Parts Store 1,634.28; Century Business Products 163.12; Century Link 66.92; Dakota Doors Inc 481.07; Dakota Fluid Power Inc 4,018.30; Dakota Ink And Toner 111.98; Edmunds County Treasurer 26.70; Fire Safety First 248.31; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware 91.07; Mac's Hardware 96.95; Menards 146.38; Microfilm Imaging Systems 767.00; NAPA Auto Parts 52.17; Powerplan 774.36; Premier Equipment LLC 89.38; Rick's Heating and Air Conditioning 336.74; Styles By Sylte 53.10; Transource 14,500.24; TwoTrees Technologies 341.75; Van Diest Supply Company 5,918.95.

Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of April: Commissioners \$6,295.80; Auditor 8,972.48; Treasurer 8,897.50; States Attorney 4,759.32; Courthouse Maintenance 3,822.00; Director of Equalization 8,897.50; Register of Deeds 8,897.50; Veteran Service Officer 1,403.40; Jail 4,699.20; Sheriff's Department 45,937.16; (Overtime Pay:

Nathan Jaenisch 497.16; Brooke Jensen 449.06; Lily Hohn 303.21; Cynthia Sahli 241.08); (Highway Safety Grant: Peter Eng 122.40; Cody Peterson 469.20; Daniel Braun 102.00; Jonathan Waldner 785.52); Corner 300.00; Emergency Management 1,525.24; Weeds 46.88; Highway Department 61,637.54; 4-H 5,132.10; 24/7 Sobriety 239.50.

Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$2,180.32; AIG 60.00; Delta Dental 1,132.54; Colonial Life 577.82; First Concord Benefits Group 695.34; Ipswich State Bank, social security, withholding, and fees 37,094.41; SD Retirement 20,791.30; SD Supplemental Retirement 1,662.04; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 608.53; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 39,030.50.

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

CREDIT CARD: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to allow Morgan C. Weisser, 4-H Educator, to use a county credit card for county purchases only. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEES: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Brent W. Kones, and David W. Hunter as temporary Deputy Sheriffs, to work Ipswich Trail Days, at a salary of \$40.00 per hour, effective June 14, 2025. Motion carried. Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to confirm the Highway Superintendent's termination of Bernel L. Lee, Highway Maintenance, effective April 16, 2025. Motion carried.

GROW SOUTH DAKOTA: Collin Fitz from GROW South Dakota met with the Board to inform them of the different programs offered through GROW SD and gave a report on where funds have been spent in Edmunds County for the year of 2024.

JAIL: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to approve and allow the chairman to sign the Jail Agreement, with Davison County, to provide housing for Edmunds County prisoners at a rate of \$105.00 adult per day in the Davison County facility. Motion carried.

LIQUOR LICENSES: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to approve the 2025-2026 On-Off Sale Retail Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine License renewals in the names of SD Baskets Unlimited LLC, and The Wakeside Bar & Grill LLC. Motion carried.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to declare 6.7 ton of scrap steel and a 1998 International as surplus county property and allow the same to be sold to Meyers Tractor Salvage LLC. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP BONDS: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to approve the following 2025 Township Clerks and Treasurers Bonds: Adrian – Betty Hoyle and Rachel Henderson; Belle – Dan Feldhaus and Anita Malsam; Bowdle – Colette Maier and Chad


Haar; Bryant – Mavis Lehr and Donna Brockel; Clear Lake – David Palmer and Karen Biermann; Cleveland – Rhonda Geditz and Amy Preszler; Cloyd Valley – Carmen Rohrbach and Brandon Rohrbach; Cortlandt – Jon Braun and Dixie Mattern; Cottonwood Lake – Pat Dewald and Pam Ellwein; Fountain – Amy Jo Johnson and Trisha Rausch; Glen – Sonia Ernst and Brad Klueber; Glover – Clyde Kilber and Joseph Schmidt; Harmony – Teri Geditz and Sarah Perrion; Hillside – Dawn Geist and Clayton Geist; Hosmer – Dale Schutz and Delene Schutz; Hudson – Conald Kaiser and Barbera Kaiser; Huntley – Troy Geier and Bruce Opp; Ipswich – Colleen Forkel and Eric Sieh; Kent – Monte Petersen (Clerk/Treasurer); Liberty – Patty Kadlec and Dianne Stafford; Madison – Dale Bomesberger (Clerk/Treasurer); Modena – Lisa Geier and Teresa Geier; Montpelier – Susan Malsom and LeRoy Ehnes; North Bryant – Patrick Forkel and Michael Roesch; Odessa – Danielle Hoffman and Connie Heinrich; Pembroke – Chris Erdmann and Camron Lux; Powell – Riley Holsing and Carol Pond; Richland – Amanda Rawden (Clerk/Treasurer); Rosette – Nathan Davis (Clerk/Treasurer); Sangamon – James Schaible and Kim Preszler; Union – Heather Lacher (Clerk/Treasurer); Vermont – Diane Allbee and Rodney Anderson. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to enter into executive session at 9:09 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 10:26 a.m.


TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Preszler to allow Robin Lesnar to attend the NCIC Limited Access Training in Brookings on April 23rd and allow Sandra Northrop to attend the SD Association of Assessing Officers Annual Conference in Mitchell on June 10th – 13th. Motion carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on May 20th and June 3rd.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff to adjourn at 11:55 a.m. Motion carried.



Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: 

Dionne Olson
Edmunds County Auditor

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