

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA  
December 2, 2025

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on December 2, 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: Kyle Couchey, Mike Jager, Adam Kuehl, and Jonathan Waldner.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2025 regular meeting. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVED:** Brownlee Construction Inc, Gravel \$11,143.50; City of Mobridge, Dispatch Services 91.59; Powell Township, Rural Access Infrastructure Grant 10,425.94. Law Enforcement Center: GA Johnson Construction \$526,209.11; HMN Architects 7,664.22. Phone & Utilities: AT&T Mobility \$632.30; Bowdle City Office 128.39; Montana Dakota Utilities 415.84; Northern Electric 224.84; Venture Communications 86.74. Professional Services: Bantz, Gosch, & Cremer LLC \$996.07; Tammy Pitz 125.00; Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Sauck 192.00; Sanford Health OccMed 122.00; Taliaferro Law Firm 1,937.00. Travel Expenses, Dues, & Registration: Ramkota Hotel Pierre \$302.00; The Lodge at Deadwood 904.00. Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Agtegra Cooperative \$7,349.84; Butler Machinery 1,918.76; Century Business Products 66.32; Galls LLC 70.97; Intoximeters Inc 245.00; John Deere Financial 2,810.59; Servall Uniform & Linen 33.08. Salaries of Officers and Employees for Month of November: Commissioners \$6,295.80; Auditor 9,021.32; 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 4,787.20; Sheriff's Department 49,046.28; (Highway Safety Grant: Daniel Braun \$204.00; Kyle Couchey 92.91; Cody Peterson 612.00; Jonathan Waldner 540.05; Bryan Warner 717.81); (County Overtime: Cody Peterson \$408.00); (On Call Pay: Daniel Braun \$131.00; Kyle Couchey 110.00; Cody Peterson 161.00; Bryan Warner 65.50); Coroner 450.00; Emergency Management 1,525.24; Highway Department 54,085.41; 4-H 4,143.04; 24/7 Sobriety 239.50. Payroll Deductions and Benefits: AFLAC \$1,509.58; Delta Dental 1,145.90; Colonial Life 587.88; First Concord Benefits Group 693.34; Ipswich State Bank, social security,

withholding, and fees 35,944.96; SD Retirement 20,041.80; Optilegra 115.27; SD Supplemental Retirement 1,862.04; Washington National Health Insurance 23.95; Standard Insurance 598.80; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 37,526.00.

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

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Tweedy to accept the October 31, 2025, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total October Receipts -- \$5,296,027.32  
Total October Disbursements -- \$2,032,624.81  
  
Balance in Checking Account -- \$3,750,158.99  
Today's Receipts -- \$664,097.52  
Change -- \$1,300.00  
Money Market -- \$465,803.11  
SD FIT – Unassigned -- \$1,161,022.85  
SD FIT – GO Bonds -- \$1,537,306.03  
Money Certificates -- \$1,800,000.00  
Total Cash Assets -- \$9,379,956.99

Edmunds County General Fund:	
Balance October 1, 2025	\$2,239,378.18
October Receipts	\$1,267,375.67
October Disbursements	\$203,168.39
Balance October 31, 2025	\$3,303,585.46

Motion carried.

**4-H AGREEMENT:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy to approve and allow the chairman to sign the 2026 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.

**2026 BUDGET UPDATE:** Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Preszler to approve the corrections to the Edmunds County Mill Levy for 2026. The Levy was previously set at 3.330 dollars per \$1,000 of valuation and after finalized growth valuations the levy is now set at 3.206 dollars per \$1,000 of valuation. Motion carried.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to approve Contingency Draw #3 to the construction costs of the new Law Enforcement Center – HVAC & temp controls and addition of Fire Fighter Control panel in the amount of \$20,000.00. Voice vote; majority - yes, Tweedy – no. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to enter into executive session at 9:49 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 10:10 a.m.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED:** The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on December 16<sup>th</sup> and January 6<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Mehlhaff to adjourn at 10:31 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