COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

April 28, 2026

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on April 28, 2026 at the county courthouse. Members present were: William Tweedy, Micheal J. Geditz, Chad Preszler, Timothy Thomas and via teleconference Dean Mehlhaff. Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Vaughn Beck, Amber Beyers, Andrea Carlson, Brittney Duvall, Cindy Heinz, Blake Holland, Brooke Jensen, Wendy Knittel, Dale Preszler, Jonathan Waldner, and Morgan Weisser.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2026 regular meeting and to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2026 Equalization meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Dakota Structured Cabling, Jail Relocation Costs $4,335.82; North Central Regional E911, Quarterly Surcharge 17,390.41; SD Association of County Officials, Monthly M&P 194.00.

Phone & Utilities: Montana Dakota Utilities $795.73; Venture Communications 86.54.

Professional Services: Day County Sheriff's Office $150.00; De Castro Law Office 4.25; Faulk County Sheriff's Office 720.00; Melanie Kaiser 98.00; Tammy Pitz 125.00.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: The Lodge at Deadwood $630.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Century Business Products $239.94; Charm-Tex Inc 208.60; Cole Papers Inc 664.05; Fire Safety First 1,042.93; Mcleod's Office Supply 500.85; Mid-American Research Chemical 593.24; Newman Traffic Signs 398.24; Pembrook Hutterian Brethren 150.00; Pheasantland Industries Inc 3,916.09; Pomps Tire Service 1,281.10; Tri County Ag Services Inc 11,116.00; US Bank 14,971.85; WEX Bank 1,625.36.

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

FINANCIAL REPORT: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to accept the March 31, 2026, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total March Receipts -- $1,067,735.86
Total March Disbursements -- $1,260,027.07

Balance in Checking Account -- $346,322.48
Today's Receipts -- $30,199.32
Change -- $1,300.00
Money Market -- $41,271.73
SD FIT – Unassigned -- $1,068,056.31
SD FIT – GO Bonds -- $0

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Money Certificates -- $1,800,000.00
Total Cash Assets -- $3,287,169.84

Edmunds County General Fund:		
Balance March 1, 2026	$2,949,337.54	
March Receipts	234,531.59	
March Disbursements	247,388.94	
Balance March 31, 2026	$2,936,480.19	Motion carried.

ANNUAL REPORT: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Preszler to accept the 2025 Edmunds County Annual Report prepared according to SDCL 7-10-4. Motion carried.

DISCUSSIONS: Justin Baer was present for public forum and discussed the Road Transfer Agreement between Edmunds County, Hillside Township, and Pipestone Management.

BUDGET SUPPLEMENT: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Tweedy to supplement the Sheriffs Budget, in the amount of $372.56, with insurance money received, per SDCL 7-21-32.1. Motion carried.

COMPUTERS: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Preszler to approve the Sheriff's purchase of five new computers for squad vehicles from Guardian in the amount of $19,338.10. Motion carried.

CONTRACTS: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to accept the contract with Modern Day Health for healthcare support services for Edmunds County Jail in the amount of $150.00 per inmate bed per month. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEES HIRED: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Brayden Buller as a full-time Jailer, at a salary of $23.16 per hour, effective April 27, 2026. Motion carried.

Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Ashley Wandry as a full-time Jailer, effective May 11, 2026, at a salary of $23.16 per hour. Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to approve and allow the chairman to sign the Associated School Boards of South Dakota Health Benefits Fund Participation Agreement, with the South Dakota School District Benefit Fund, to provide health insurance for Edmunds County employees, offering $1,000 and $1,500 deductibles, effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Also offering employee-funded Vision Insurance. Motion carried.

INSURANCE: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to pay for full-time employees MASA medical transport solutions coverage at a rate of $8.00 per month per employee. Motion carried.

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENTS: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Tweedy to approve and allow the chairman to sign the joint powers agreements, between Edmunds County and

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the Townships of Hudson and Madison for the rental of county blade/motor grader, snow removal equipment and an operator. Motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to approve Change Order #6 GMP to the construction costs of the new Law Enforcement Center – Credit for concrete sidewalk and unused portion of Winter Heat & Shelter Allowance in the amount of ($5,182.00). Motion carried.

Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Preszler to approve Contingency Draw #8 to the construction costs of the new Law Enforcement Center – labor to install metal trim around laundry machines, labor to install readers/badges in cells and stainless washer/dryer trim in the amount of ($1,466.68). Motion carried.

Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Tweedy to accept the quote from Guardian for Medication Manager in the amount of $1,610.25 annually. Motion carried.

PLATS APPROVED: Motioned by Tweedy, 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 Burgod First Addition in the SW ¼ of Section 8-T123N-R67W of the 5th P.M.; Plat of Heintzman First Addition in the SW ¼ of Section 33-T121N-R71W of the 5th P.M.; Plat of Heintzman Second Addition in the SE ¼ of Section 31, T121N-R71W of the 5th P.M. Motion carried.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy to accept the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees for the month of March 2026 in the amount of $7,074.10. Motion carried.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to allow Brittney Duvall and Sandra Northrop to attend Sales Ratio Training in Pierre on May 6th; and Sandra Northrop to attend the District Assessors Meeting in Faulkton on May 13. Motion Carried.

ZONING BOARD: Justin Davis, James Hoyle, and Jack Olson met with the board for a discussion on the open Zoning Board position.

Motioned by Mehlhaff to appoint James Hoyle to the Edmunds County Zoning Board. Motion died for lack of second.

Motioned by Geditz to appoint Jack Olson to the Edmunds County Zoning Board. Motion died for lack of second.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy to appoint Justin Davis to the Edmunds County Zoning Board, for a term ending December 31st, 2028.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy that nominations cease.

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Roll call vote: Mehlhaff – no, Tweedy – yes, Geditz – yes, Preszler – yes, Thomas – yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to enter into executive session at 10:59 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 11:03 a.m.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on May 12th and 9:00 a.m. on May 26th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to adjourn at 12:26 p.m. Motion carried.

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Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Dionne Olson
Edmunds County Auditor

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