COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

May 27, 2026

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on May 27, 2026 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Dean Mehlhaff, Micheal J. Geditz, Chad Preszler, Timothy Thomas. Absent William Tweedy. Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Vaughn Beck, Julie Burgod, Andrea Carlson, Glenn Hoyle, Wendy Knittel, Katie Moser, Leona Pitz, Dale Preszler, Jonathan Waldner.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2026 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: ESU Fire Division, 2012 Transport Van $8,000.00; SD Department of Revenue, motor vehicle, state fees, & driver's license; 133,222.93; US Bank St. Paul, Bond Interest Payment 158,112.50; Bryan Warner, Workers Compensation 1,152.13.

Law Enforcement Center: GA Johnson Construction $54,804.64; HMN Architects Inc 12,072.34.

Phone & Utilities: FEM Electric $674.58; Montana Dakota Utilities 495.75; Northern Electric 317.29; Venture Communications 86.54.

Professional Services: Avera St. Lukes Dietician Services $1.611.90; Blackburn & Stevens Prof LLC 293.58; Edmunds County Abstract 25.00; First Concord Benefits Group 67.50; Mark Katterhagen 20.00; Val Larson 20.00; Lucy Lewno 197.24; Modern Day Healthcare 6,000.00; Richardson, Wyle, Wise, Sauck 207.40; SD Public Health Lab 50.00; Taliaferro Law Firm 1,679.30; Sara Zahn 132.30.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Clubhouse Hotel and Suites Pierre $151.00; Ramkota Hotel Pierre 282.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: Agtegra Cooperative $5,633.27; Bob Barker Company Inc 75.60; Century Business Products 276.82; Cole Papers Inc 89.53; Election Systems & Software 2.363.35; Heartland Waste Management 275.00; Ipswich Post Office 2,570.00; Menards 13.28; Midstates Group 59.50; Pembrook Hutterian Brethren 294.75; Plains Industries Inc 220.25; Powerplan 4,147.75; Pro Ag Supply Inc 749.98; Rick's Heating & Air Conditioning 3,017.07; Roscoe Trustworthy Hardware 224.69; Runnings 630.43; Servall 42.40; Steven Lust Automotive 2,612.24; Tyler Technologies 475.94; United Tactical Systems Inc 1,596.00; Tri County Ag Service 2,160.00; Vantek Communications 1,800.00; US Bank 9,378.18.

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

FINANCIAL REPORT: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff to accept the April 30, 2026, Financial Statement for Edmunds County as follows:

Total April Receipts -- $6,222,506.76
Total April Disbursements -- $1,214,589.52

Balance in Checking Account -- $4,809,845.43
Today's Receipts -- $554,497.86
Change -- $1,300.00
Money Market -- $58,365.27
SD FIT – Unassigned -- $1,071,074.52
SD FIT – GO Bonds -- $0
Money Certificates -- $1,800,000.00
Total Cash Assets -- $8,295,083.08

Edmunds County General Fund:

Balance April 1, 2026	$2,936,480.19	
April Receipts	1,566,799.29	
April Disbursements	258,146.54	
Balance April 30, 2026	$4,245,132.94	Motion carried.

BID – MILLING SERVICES: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to accept the bid for milling services which was awarded to Loiseau Construction Inc., in the amount of $1.28 per square yard plus a $3,500.00 mobilization fee, at the December 2, 2025, Harding County Commission meeting. Motion carried.

BUDGET SUPPLEMENT: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to supplement the Sheriffs Budget, in the amount of $340.50, with insurance money received, per SDCL 7-21-32.1. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEES HIRED: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to approve the Sheriff's hiring of Chet Peterson as a full-time Jailer, at a salary of $24.16 per hour, effective June 1, 2026. Motion carried.

ESCROW AGREEMENT: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Preszler to approve the Escrow Agreement with Century Swine RE, LLC for 5 miles of road on 143rd Street. Motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve Contingency Draw #9 to the construction costs of the new Law Enforcement Center – Added framing above south wall of security electronics/taping at Vestibule 112, cut in 4 access panels. Architect requested hollow metal doors in lieu of wood doors at the following locations: 201, 203, 204, 206, 209, 210B, and IPS in the amount of $2,650.00. Motion carried.

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OPIOID SETTLEMENT: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to use any future funds from the National Opioid Settlement for uses allowed by the settlement agreement. 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 2026 in the amount of $4,076.15. Motion carried.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to declare 3.46 ton of scrap steel as surplus county property and allow the same to be sold to Meyers Tractor Salvage LLC. Motion carried.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to allow Morgan Weisser to attend Project Wild & Project Learning Tree in Webster on June 11th. Motion Carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to enter into executive session at 9:10 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 9:15 a.m.

Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Geditz to enter into executive session at 9:30 a.m., according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Motion carried. Executive session declared over at 9:37 a.m.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on June 4th and 9:00 a.m. on June 23rd.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff to adjourn at 10:06 a.m. Motion carried.

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Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Dionne Olson
Edmunds County Auditor

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