COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA

August 25, 2026

The Edmunds County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on August 25, 2026 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Dean Mehlhaff, Micheal J. Geditz, Chad Preszler, Timothy Thomas and William Tweedy. Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Char Baker, Vaughn Beck, Hailey Bierman, Mark Bossly, Jason Braun, Jerald Braun, Barb Braun, Lee Brixey, Keith Burgod, Julie Burgod, Andrea Carlson, Audie Crouch, Justin Davis, Brittney Duvall, Megan EisenVos, John Fischer, Sharon Gast, Rhonda Geditz, Garett Heinz, Larry Heinz, Glenn Hoyle, James Hoyle, George Kessler, Wendy Knittel, Rich Lacher, Anita Malsam, Julie Monseu, Oliver Monseu, Stacey Nelson, Stuart Nelson, Candi Perry, Cody Peterson, Sarah Perrion, Leona Pitz, Dale Preszler, Nancy Roberts, Glenn Treftz, LeeAnn Tople, Royal Tople, Jonathan Waldner, Cynthia Walsh, Morgan Weisser, Paul Wilson, Donovan Wright, Bruce Zeller, and Rita Zeller.

MINUTES APPROVED: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2026 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED: Primary Runoff Election Payroll and Mileage $5,637.80; Bryan Warner, Workers Compensation 3,095.41.

Election Polling Location Rent: Hosmer Rural Fire Department $200.00; The M Station 200.00; Roscoe Volunteer Fire Department 200.00.

Phone & Utilities: Bowdle City Office $136.89; Heartland Waste Management 380.00; Montana Dakota Utilities 4,294.66; Northern Electric 318.72; Roscoe City Office 91.80; Venture Communications 86.88; Web Water 105.12.

Professional Services: Avera St. Lukes $1,995.85; Bowdle Hospital 620.26; Certified Language International 49.50; Colonial Life 99.14; Delta Dental 137.50; First Concord Benefits Group 60.00; Katie Hogie 250.00; Kuck Law Office 2,581.78; Modern Day Healthcare 6,230.00; Optilegra 14.25; Sanford Health Occmed 129.00; Standard Insurance 41.77; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield 1,052.00; Youngberg Law Prof LLC 244.00.

Travel Expenses, Dues & Registration: Safety Benefits $150.00; SD Association of County Officials 1,500.00.

Supplies, Parts & Repairs: AERO Industries Inc $611.87; Agtegra 51,090.96; Bob Barker Company Inc 305.19; Butler Machinery 2,861.17; Century Business Products 326.20;

Graham Tire Co 1,179.31; John Deere Financial 283.69; Menards 350.24; Phoenix Uniforms & Tactical 2,928.08; Pembrook Hutterian Brethren 200.00; Pomp's Tire Service 649.18; Runnings Supply Inc 61.47; Servall Uniform & Linen 41.90; Titan Machinery 2,143.70; Tri County Ag Service Inc 271.83; Vantek Communications 40.00; Wallwork Truck Center 904.36.

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

DISCUSSION: Julie Burgod met with the board to discuss access to budget information, the handling of a recent Zoning Complaint and the process surrounding the alleged referral to the Attorney General.

Several community members were present to discuss the future plans for paved roads in the county, the order of items on the agenda, Riverview Dairy and Zoning ordinances.

EMPLOYEES: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Mehlhaff to increase the salary of Ashley Wandry, Jailer, to $23.66 per hour, effective August 11, 2026. Motion carried.

JAIL: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Preszler to approve and allow the chairman to sign the Jail Agreement, with Charles Mix County, to provide housing for Edmunds County prisoners at a rate of $100.00 per day in the Charles Mix County facility. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING – ZONING: The first reading of Edmunds County Ordinance No. 2026-8-1 was held and discussion took place. Commissioners decided to leave Article IV, Section 4.05.04 as originally approved in Ordinance #2022-7-1. Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy, to approve the first reading with amended changes of section 4.05.04, Edmunds County Ordinance No. 2026-8-1, An ordinance amending article II, IV, V & VI of the Edmunds County Zoning Regulations. Roll call vote: Mehlhaff – yes, Tweedy – yes, Geditz – yes, Preszler – yes, Thomas – yes. Motion carried. The second reading, for the ordinance will be on September 3, 2026.

PLATS APPROVED: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Tweedy 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 Lagoon Third Addition in the SE¼ of Section 30, Township 123-70; plat of Smalley First Addition to Mina Lake in the SE¼ SW¼ of Section 23, Township 123-66; plat of Fuhrmann First Addition in the NE¼ of Section 33, Township 124-71, all in Edmunds County, South Dakota. Motion carried.

PROVISIONAL BUDGET: Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Tweedy to adopt the 2027 Provisional Budget in the following amounts: General Fund - $6,881,520.00, County Road & Bridge Fund - $3,948,607, Civil Defense Fund - $100,525.00, RCW Fund -

$1,400.00, 911 Service Fund - $70,000.00, 24-7 Sobriety Fund – $5,551.00, M & P Relief Fund – $38,000.00, Rural Access Infrastructure Fund - $100,000.00, Debt Service Fund - $490,000.00 and to set September 3, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. as the date and time for the first public hearing on adoption of the Provisional Budget as the 2027 Annual Budget. Motion carried.

Motioned by Preszler, Seconded by Tweedy to approve a $1.00 per hour raise for all full-time employees and a 3% raise for all part-time employees beginning January 1, 2027. Motion carried.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: Motioned by Preszler, seconded by Mehlhaff to accept the Register of Deeds Statement of Fees for the month of July 2026 in the amount of $10,894.60. Motion carried.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS: Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to allow Gwen Geditz, Micheal J. Geditz, Patricia Nigg, Dionne Olson, Chad Preszler, and Dale Preszler to attend the SD County Convention in Sioux Falls on September 14th – 16th. Motion Carried.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED: The next regular Edmunds County Commissioner Meetings will be held at 9:00 a.m. on September 3rd and September 29th.

ADJOURN: Motioned by Tweedy, seconded by Geditz to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Motion carried.

Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: Dionne Olson
Dionne Olson
Edmunds County Auditor

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