

**DAY COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA**  
**July 16, 2024**

The Day County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 9:00 AM, Tuesday, July 16, 2024, in the Community Room in the Day County Courthouse. Meeting called to order by Chairman Sinner. Members present: Commissioners McGregor-Okroi, Marx, Walter and Kjos. Others: States Attorney Knight, Auditor Kading, Treasurer Zubke, Register of Deeds Berger, Stephanie Williams, Paul Dulitz, Glen Gebur, Kristen Sheldon, Tim Mammenga, Josh Wagner, Terry Helms, Gregory Althoff, Mary Elizabeth Kirk, Corey Sauerwein, David Olson, Josh Atherton, Reuben Parks, Ben Braaten, Steve Witt, Brent Zimmerman, Jake Zimmerman, Randy Horter, Jerry Mork, Claire Larson, Nina Budde, Chris Eldred, Jennifer Ringkob, Danice Eldred, Michael Harms, Lauren Johnson, Sheriff Schreur, Mandy Bartelt, Dari Schlotte, Rob Grewe Aktham Dabbas & Amanda Dulitz-R&F.

**PLEDGE:** Chairman Sinner led the members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A letter from Governor Kristi Noem dated June 24, 2024, was read regarding the Tribal Public Safety Crisis Summit in Pierre.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Paul Dulitz commented on Sheriff's 2025 Chevy Silverado 1500 request and also suggested reimbursement for vacation time that has reached the maximum limit but was unable to be taken due to personnel shortage. Glenn Gebur commented on 2025 proposed \$1.00 County wage increase and suggested that the Commission should take a closer look before giving raises and thinks emergency responders should get paid more as they put their life on the line every day.

**MINUTES:** Moved by Kjos, seconded by Marx to approve the minutes from July 2, 2024, regular commissioner meeting. Motion carried.

**PAYROLL:** Moved by Walter, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the payroll period ending June 29, 2024. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 5,445.00; Treasurer's Office 6,003.21; Register of Deeds 5,318.40; State's Attorney 2,872.80; Sheriff's Office 10,967.83; Jailors 10,044.80; Assessor's Office 4,001.20; Commissioners 2,706.92; Home Health 624.80; Veteran's Service 1,463.00; Ambulance 6,255.96; Maintenance 2,592.00; Extension 1,274.00; Welfare 435.00; Drainage 320.63; Planning & Zoning 502.63; OEM 819.00; 911 409.50; Weed 833.06; Highway 23,117.78; Social Security 5,252.13; Medicare 1,228.38; Life Insurance 205.89; Dental Insurance 489.42; SD Retirement 4,578.46 for a total of 97,761.80.

**CLAIMS:** Moved by Kjos, seconded by Walter to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the following audited claims. Motion carried.

**SERVICES:** A&B Business Solutions 157.61, A-I Computer Solutions 402.69, City of Watertown 4,761.35, Brookings Health System 400.00, Century Business Products 125.98, Chip Premus 1,000.00, Dacotah Bank 5,088.88, Fiksdal Funeral Service 1,552.02, PCC Ambulance billing service 753.60, Sanford Health 382.99, SD Dept of Health 1,478.70, SD Public Health Laboratory 665.00, Glacial Lakes Technology Services 1,809.80, Ryan's Candy 58.95, SDACO M&P Fund 148.00, Satellite Tracking of People 97.50, Snaza Implement LLC 334.50, Twin Valley Tire 27.23, Transource Trucking Equipment 1,178.13, Microfilm Imaging Systems 65.00, Xerox Corporation 538.00, Xerox Financial Services 211.28, TwoTrees Technologies 1,843.85, Vestis 188.75,

REPAIRS: Auto Value 840.07, First Call Auto Parts .02, Kone Inc 290.43, Power Plan 333.87, Webster Tire & Marine Service 25.00,

DONATIONS: Safe Harbor 265.00,

SUPPLIES: A-OX Welding Supply 1,427.70, ACE Hardware 1,246.54, Bound Tree Medical 356.93, Dakota Electronics 107.50, Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 7,500.00, Dollar General 172.60, Hanlon Bros. 13,618.59, L.G. Everist Inc 34,043.78, Mike's Jack & Jill 471.74, Valley Office Products 488.46, Shauna Miotke 860.41, Kwasniewski Enterprises 337.50, Tri State Water Inc 37.40,

UTILITY: AT&T-Firstnet 248.97, City of Webster 419.98, Midcontinent 380.41, Northwestern Energy 3,420.16, Sioux Valley Cooperative 15,820.70, ITC 1,408.42, RC Technologies 50.00, James Valley Telecommunications 139.40, Ben Braaten 40.00,

PER DIEM: Allison Bisgard 105.06, Karelyn Farrad 132.75, James Walter 21.42, Sandra Namken 21.42, Pam Raeder 45.90,

TAX: SD Treasurer 65.26,

MANUAL CHECKS: Day County Treasurer 659.51, SD State Treasurer 310.96, SD Dept of Revenue 175,639.83,

**REPORTS:** The Board noted the following reports:

In compliance with the law, I, Kelsey Kading hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the Treasurer of this County as of July 1, 2024. Total amount of deposits in bank \$108,546.31. Total amount of actual cash \$2,355.50. Total amount of deposits and drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding three days \$20,832.15. Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts, which have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days: CD'S \$1,850,000.00; IMMA \$8,019,415.86; Postage \$231.30; Register of Deeds petty cash \$200.00; Sheriff \$951.00; Credit cards \$6,113.32 for a total of \$10,008,645.44. Cash Balances: General Fund \$4,615,886.36; Highway \$4,714,119.00; E911 \$14,933.96; OEM \$46,416.38; Domestic Abuse \$334.00; 24/7 Fund \$42,775.61; M & P Fund \$57,902.98; Highway Rural Access \$105,256.81; 700 Accounts \$411,395.34; equals \$10,009,020.44.

In compliance with the law, I, Jodi Berger, hereby report the fees of the Office of Register of Deeds for the month of June 2024. Births (8) \$120.00; Deaths (14) \$210.00; Marriages (1) \$40.00; Transfer fees \$7,579.50; Recordings \$2,315.00; Copies \$651.15; Sales Tax \$0.01 for a total of \$10,915.66.

In compliance with the law, I, Jerred Schreur hereby submit the following report of all fees received by me as Sheriff within and for the County for the month of June 2024: Phone cards \$197.19; Phone Commission \$514.48; Remote Breath Tests \$83.00; Sheriff's Fees \$804.36; Fingerprints \$56.34; Juvenile Care \$1,800.00; Misc. Income \$427.00; PBT's \$368.00; Prisoners-Out of Co. \$7,435.00; UA Fees \$472.00; Work Release \$370.00; Roslyn Contract Hours \$500.00; Pierpont Contract Hours \$500.00; Waubay Contract Hours \$1,000.00; Sales Tax \$16.47 for a total of \$14,543.84.

**CONSERVATION:** County District manager Josh Wagner presented to Commission with the current budget & activities report. Grateful for the County's 2024 contribution, Wagner requested County funds assistance of \$12,500 for proposed 2025 budget.

**EXTENSION:** Jennifer Ringkob presented an update on 4-H summer activities, contests, workshops, clinics, youths in action & Day County Fair (August 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>).

Moved by Walter, seconded by Marx to approve overtime for Laura Kuecker for the Day County Fair and travel request for Jennifer Ringkob to attend the SD State Fair in August, Fall Annual Conference in September & Northeast Region monthly meetings. Motion carried.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** Moved by Kjos, seconded by Marx to recess the regular session at 9:17 AM, to convene as Planning & Zoning and Drainage Board. Motion carried. Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 9:41 AM.

**PLAT:** Upon recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Board, moved by Kjos, seconded by Marx to approve the following plat: 1) Robert & Wanita Bullert First Addn in S ½ NE 25-121-56; 2) Knight First Addn in SWNE in 2-121-56; Motion carried.

**SHERIFF VEHICLE:** Sheriff Schreur held discussion on 2025 Chevy Silverado 1500 replacement. Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Marx to approve Sheriff Schreur to order Deputy pickup replacement through Hahler Automotive for 2025. Motion carried.

**CREDIT CARD:** Moved by Marx, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve credit card authorization for Garret Thompson, Deputy Sheriff. Motion carried.

**RADIO COMMUNICATIONS:** Mandy Bartelt presented update on Day County Radio Towers. Agtegra & State radio tower contracts have been signed. Bartelt is working to have Waubay tower installed before school starts, Bristol in mid-August, Andover is in process of working on necessary hookups to get fiber optic line installed, Webster has some equipment delayed due to shipping.

**HIGHWAY:** Discussion was had on speed limit decrease in Lily. No action was taken. Supt. Braaten gave update on meeting with DOT regarding Day County Road 1. Plans are to redo the 3 worst curves with a recycled asphalt overlay, an estimated \$6,000,000 project. Plans projected to be drawn up by January 2025 with bid letting in 2026. Supt Braaten gave update on 2013 motor grader that will need replacing in the future.

**WAGE INCREASE:** Moved by Marx, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve a wage increase to 16.00/hr for Jesse Spitzer & Mitzi Yanish for EMT certification. Motion carried.

**AMBULANCE:** Director Madsen presented 2025 proposed budget.

**VEHICLE:** Commissioner Walter suggested that Ambulance Director Madsen's first responder truck trial period come to an end & be included in the Ambulances fleet. Moved by Walter, seconded by McGregor-Okroi. (Walter-Aye, Kjos-Aye, McGregor-Okroi-Aye, Sinner-Nay & Marx-Nay) Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Moved by Kjos, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to enter into Executive Session at 10:23 AM for personnel as per SDCL 1-25-2. Motion carried. Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 10:45 AM.

**WIND TOWERS:** Project Manager Aktham Dabbas with Orsted gave a presentation and had discussion on Orsted wind towers and the Horseshoe project. Commissioner Walter requested an email correspondence dated July 15, 2024 be read from Gregg Hubner regarding infrasound from wind turbines.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** Discussion was held on Ordinance 2024-1, no action taken and will continue discussion at August 6<sup>th</sup> Commissioner meeting with possible first reading of the proposed zoning ordinance as that time.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Walter, seconded by Marx to adjourn until 9:00 AM, Tuesday, August 6, 2024, to convene in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Motion carried.

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Derek Sinner,  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Kelsey Kading,  
Day County Auditor

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