

DAY COUNTY COMMISSION
WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA
May 6, 2025

The Day County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 9:00 AM, Tuesday, May 6, 2025, in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Meeting called to order by Chairman Sinner. Members present: Commissioners Kjos, McGregor-Okroi, Torrence and Aldrich. Others: Auditor Kading, States Attorney Knight, Treasurer Zubke, Hwy Supt. Larson, District 1 State Representative Logan Manhart, Jim Walter, Glenn Gebur, Katie Rasmus, Andy Dale, Mike Dale, Reuben Parks, Berdette Zastrow, Jerry Mork, Barry Hillestad, OEM-Bryan Anderson, Extension Jennifer Ringkob, VSO-Jeff Nelson, Assessor Block, Brian Holland, Dean Welch and Amanda Dulitz-R&F.

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: District 1 State Representative Logan Manhart introduced himself. Barry Hillestad informed the board that he was sworn into office as Mayor of Waubay on May 5, 2025.

MINUTES: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve the minutes from April 15, 2025, regular commissioner meeting. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Aldrich to approve the minutes from April 15, 2025, Consolidated Board of Equalization. Motioned carried.

PAYROLL: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the payroll period ending April 19, 2025. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 5,803.83; Treasurer's Office 6,243.20; Register of Deeds 5,597.21; State's Attorney 2,952.80; Sheriff's Office 11,924.00; Jailors 11,486.76; Assessor's Office 6,653.21; Commissioners 2,706.92; Home Health 646.00; Veteran's Service Office 2,253.75; Ambulance 8,119.47; Maintenance 2,051.88; Extension 1,330.00; Welfare 475.00; Drainage 376.13; Planning & Zoning 566.13; OEM 901.25; 911 412.00; Weed 766.14; Highway 19,325.21; Social Security 5,535.74; Medicare 1,294.63; Health Insurance 32,375.06; Dental Insurance 460.46; SD Retirement 4,975.67 for a total of 135,232.45.

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

SERVICES:, Century Business Products 110.20, City of Watertown 7,531.71, Dakota Electronics 579.65, Judith Cleveland 75.00, Marshall & Swift/Boeck LLC 1,984.95, Green Roby Oviatt LLP 4,820.00, Delaney, Nielsen & Sannes 7,931.19, Steve Hargis 121.88, Marlin Leasing Corporation 105.73, Microfilm Imaging Systems 65.00, Ramkota Inn 756.00, Sanford Health 4,508.54, SD Dept of Health 2,957.40, SD Dept of Transportation 10,802.85, SD Dept of Public Health Laboratory 505.00, Taliaferro Law Firm P.C. 2,532.90, Team Laboratory Chemical LLC 2,018.00, Timeclock Plus LLC 5,017.05, Twotrees Technologies 1,811.16, Vestis 118.96, Webster Scale Inc 500.00, Wesley D. Williams 36.00.

REPAIRS: Dave Hahler Automotive 7,010.48, Diesel Machinery 149.70, Harlow's Bus Sales Inc 893.46, RDO Equipment 395.43, Twin Valley Tire 508.48, Vander Haag's Inc 1,292.12.

SUPPLIES: A-OX Welding Supply 77.70, ACE 495.45, Auto Value 50.88, Cole Papers Inc 59.48, Day County Treasurer 421.18, Dependable Sanitation 191.75, Dollar General 210.85, Newman Traffic Signs 754.60, Valley Office Products 18.92.

UTILITY: AT&T 297.79, City of Webster 427.10, ITC Telecom 1,460.66, James Valley Telecommunication 341.40, Midcontinent 456.09, Northwestern Energy 406.56, Otter Tail Power Co. 38.28, RC Technologies 50.00, Venture Communications 197.90, Verizon Wireless 200.07,

PUBLISHING: Reporter & Farmer 985.16, Waubay Clipper 462.01.

PER DIEM: Josh Hoven 53.04, Kelsey Kading 263.98, Blake Torrence 263.98, Amanda Bartelt 547.24, Jerred Schreur 62.28.

MANUAL CHECKS: SDRS Special Pay Plan 8,503.18, Day County Treasurer 1,507.26, Dacotah Bank 1,955.53, Julie Utne 58,729.79, Lisa Koller 58,729.78, Paul Utne 58,729.78.

GROW SD: Katie Rasmus presented an update for Commission with the 2025 year of stats within Day County and the opportunities they offer for assistance.

PETITION: Reuben Parks presented the County Initiative Petition for a one-year moratorium on the wind tower setback. He stated that he would file the petition if the commissioners did not take action. No action was taken.

HIGHWAY: Supt. Larson stated County Road 1, south of Waubay, is moving forward on the two mile grade reconstruction. Larson also updated the board that the Webster Scale is working on County Road 2, which is temporarily closed.

R.O.W: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Aldrich to approve application of occupancy on R.O.W. for Lake Region Electric on County Road 18 for boring under road for new underground powerline installation. Motion carried.

R.O.W: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Torrence to approve application of occupancy on R.O.W. off county road 20 towards Holmquist & South on County Road 23 for boring under road for Lake Region Electric for new underground powerline installation. Motion carried.

R.O.W: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Kjos to approve application of occupancy on R.O.W. on County Road 32 for boring under road for Josh Gaikowski for drain tiling. Motion carried.

R.O.W: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Kjos to approve application of occupancy on R.O.W. on Block Legacy Road off Grenville grade, for Adam Moran for boring under road for WEB Water Development. Motion carried.

EMPLOYMEE PAY INCREASE: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to approve wage increase from \$23.25 to \$23.75 for Day County Highway Office Manager, Allison Bisgard for one year of employment, effective 5-18-2025. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEADS: Chairman Sinner called upon each department for their report.

DEPUTY NEW HIRE: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve Kolby Weinberg as part-time deputy at \$25.00/hr with no benefits effective 5-18-2025 & starting as full-time deputy with benefits effective 7-13-2025. Motion carried.

BOILER: Dean Walsh with Climate Systems presented the Commission a report of his inspection of the Courthouse boiler system. Walsh estimated the boiler replacement project to cost between \$1,300,000.00-\$1,400,000.00.

AMULAMCE HIRE: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Kjos to approve Rob Grewe as part-time EMT at \$18.00/hr with no benefits and Gavin Sannes as a part-time driver at 15.00/hr with no benefits effective 5-6-2025. Motion carried.

CASH TRANSFER: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve the cash transfer from general fund (101-4-911) to HWY fund (201-371) as budgeted for \$614,080.00. Motion carried.

MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Kjos to approve renewing and authorizing the chairman to sign the Retail On-Off Malt Beverage Licenses for Bitter Lake Lodge, Buster's, Hilltop Steak House, Dale's Service, L&L Bowling Center, Pickerel Lake Corner & Sandy Beach Resort. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve travel for Commissioner Torrence to attend the NACO Western Interstate Conference in May 2025. Motion carried.

COUNTY LANDFILL BID OPENING: Auditor Kading stated that the current County Landfill lease contract with Dependable Sanitation will be expiring June 30, 2025. Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Kjos to approve putting the county landfill lease contract up for bid and awarding the lease contract on June 17, 2025. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Kjos, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to enter into Executive Session at 10:46 AM for personnel matters as per SDCL 1-25-2. Motion carried. Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 11:29 AM.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to adjourn until 9:00 AM, Tuesday, May 20, 2025, to convene in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Motion carried.

Derek Sinner,
Chairman

ATTEST:

Kelsey Kading,
Day County Auditor

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