

DAY COUNTY COMMISSION
WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA
December 2, 2025

The Day County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 9:00 AM, Tuesday, December 2, 2025, in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Meeting called to order by Chairman Sinner. Members present: Commissioners Torrence, Aldrich, McGregor-Okroi and Kjos. Others: States Attorney Knight, Auditor Kading, Treasurer Zubke, Hwy Supt. Schmieg, Al Block, Brian Holland, Paul Dulitz, and Conner Handrahan-R&F.

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

AMEND AGENDA: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Aldrich to amend the agenda for Highway resignation and approval to advertise. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Prairie Lakes Dialysis sent a letter as a yearly reminder that the County may be requested to dispatch an emergency personnel, snowplow and/or ambulance to help transport a dialysis patient to the Prairie Lakes Hospital in Watertown to receive treatment in extreme weather conditions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Paul Dulitz announced his intent to quiz the commission on the County's accomplishments in 2025 and goals for 2026.

MINUTES: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Kjos to approve the minutes from November 18, 2025, regular commissioner meeting. Motion carried.

PAYROLL: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Torrence to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the payroll period ending November 15, 2025. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 6,115.08; Treasurer's Office 6,261.02; Register of Deeds 5,389.40; State's Attorney 2,952.80; Sheriff's Office 12,008.00; Jailors 11,203.20; Assessor's Office 4,153.20; Commissioners 2,706.92; Home Health 853.82; Veteran's Service 2,978.75; Ambulance 8,361.83; Maintenance 2,051.88; Extension 1,330.00; Welfare 475.00; Drainage 318.75; Planning & Zoning 508.75; OEM 927.00; 911 463.50; Weed 730.00; Highway 22,966.56; Social Security 5,674.65; Medicare 1,327.14; Health Insurance 32,375.06; Dental Insurance 460.46; SD Retirement 4,878.09 for a total of 137,470.86.

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

SERVICES: Assure Operations LLC 708.00, Carlson Crushing & Excavating 9,863.47, Dakota Grade Excavation & Control 33,150.00, Delaney Neilsen & Sannes 7,750.00, Christopher D. Dohrer 892.00, Dependable Sanitation 191.75, IMEG Corp 12,795.75, Kerry Holscher 1,968.05, Jensen Feed & Grain 2,465.30, Medtox Laboratories Inc 38.90, Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc 175.00, Northstar Mechanical Inc 80.00, Opitz Gravel 9,389.52, PEAC Solutions 83.63, Roberts County Auditor 2,542.10, SDAE4-HP 200.00, Taliaferro Law Firm 1,063.00, TwoTrees Technologies 952.40.

DUES: SD State's Attorneys Association 861.61.

DEDUCTABLE: Jeffrey Kwasniewski 2,000.00, Tanya Nilson 2,000.00.

PUBLISHING: R&F 338.00.

SUPPLIES: Bound Tree Medical 642.57, Day County Treasurer 206.79, Rob Grewe 105.46, Mcleod's 187.86, Prairie Stich & Print 874.00, Ryan's Candy 58.95, Valley Office Products 13.61.

UTILITY: AT&T 200.88, Venture Communication Inc 197.90, Northwestern Energy 133.23, Verizon Wireless 160.04.

PER DIEM: Sarah Bremmon 38.41, Nicole Kwasniewski 47.61, Ethan Lemmon 109.91, Jennifer Ringkob 322.94, Jerred Schreur 69.99.

APPROVE R.O.W.: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve occupancy of R.O.W. for Lake Region Electric for new underground powerline installation on Highway 20 in Section 11, Township 121N, Range 56W of Day County. Motion carried.

RAISE: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Kjos to approve Highway department employee, Richard Roskos for a one-year wage increase from \$23.73 to \$24.23 effective 12-14-2025. Motion carried.

RAISE: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve Highway department employee, Ethan Lemmon for a one-year wage increase from \$23.73 to \$24.23 effective 12-14-2025. Motion carried.

MOU BETWEEN SDSU EXTENSION AND DAY COUNTY: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve the chairman to sign the MOU between SDSU Extension and Day County for the 2026 year. Motion carried.

JAKE BRAKING: Al Block had a discussion with commission on dynamic engine braking signs on Hwy 12, 6 ¾ miles east of the intersection of Hwy 25. Noise ordinance, enforcement challenges and alternative options were discussed. Discussion tabled.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Kjos, seconded by McGregor-Okroi, to enter into Executive Session at 9:15 AM for legal & personnel as per SDCL 1-25-2. Motion carried. Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 10:32 AM.

BID LETTING: HVAC equipment and temperature control bids for the courthouse and sheriff's department were accepted on November 18, 2025 with G&R Controls at \$1,398,758.00 and Climate Systems at \$1,363,800.00 which included asbestos removal allowance of \$25,000.00. Moved by Torrence, seconded by Kjos to accept bid from Climate Systems. Roll call, McGregor-Okroi-Yes, Torrence-Yes, Kjos-Yes, Aldrich-Yes & Sinner-Yes. 5-0 to accept bid from Climate Systems for the HVAC equipment and temperature control replacement in the courthouse and Sheriff's department. Motion carried.

PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to authorize the chairman to sign the 2026 Public Defender Contract for \$96,250 with Delaney, Nielsen & Sannes. Motion carried.

NECOG JOINT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT: Moved by Kjos, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the Joint Cooperative Agreement with NECOG for 2026 for \$10,525.04. Motion carried.

AMEND RESOLUTION #2025-03: Amendment tabled.

2026 SALARY: Discussion tabled.

80% EMPLOYEE REQUEST: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to grant Deputy Auditor Sarah Bremmon the request of 80% employment status, effective 12-28-2025. Motion carried.

COURTHOUSE & HIGHWAY CLOSURES: Courthouse and Highway Dept will be closed December 24-26, 2025, for the Christmas holiday and January 1, 2025, for New Year's Day.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to adjourn until 9:00 AM, Tuesday, December 16, 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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