

DAY COUNTY COMMISSION
WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA
April 14, 2026

The Day County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 9:00 AM, Tuesday, April 14, 2026, in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Meeting called to order by Chairman Sinner. Members present: Commissioners McGregor-Okroi, Torrence, Aldrich and Kjos. Others: States Attorney Knight, Auditor Lehman, Treasurer Zubke, Hwy. Supt. Schmieg, Kent Austin, Kathy Johnson, Lauren Johnson, Pam Dylla, William Dylla, Kent Anderson, Glenn Gebur, Tim Gaikowski, Vicki Duerre, Thad Duerre, Jim Grimes, Kelly Brandlee, Connie Jensen, Jeanette Jensen, Michael Herr, Paul Dulitz, Reuben Parks, Andy Dale, Mike Dale, Berdette Zastrow, Jim Walter, Jon Raap, Charlotte Andres, Randy Horter, Dennis Peckham, Amy Peckham, Randy Schuring, Connor Handrahan-R&F.

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

AGENDA AMMENDMENT: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Kjos to approve adding VSO travel request to the agenda. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Received a letter from Governor Rhoden regarding the two bills he signed into law for property tax relief.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Tim Gaikowski addressed the commission as a Day County resident, business owner and parent, and said that he is disappointed that the Day County Fair Board denied access for the SD Hwy 12 Prospect show. Gaikowski stated that the economic impact denying an event that will bring in a few hundred people on a weekend leads to the county, city and business revenue. The show was told they must find other accommodations, and the fair board will revisit it again next year. With the fear of losing their place in the show, they have had to move their show to a different county. Most importantly, Gaikowski feels we should not hinder our youth and work together to improve our community and give opportunities to our youth.

MINUTES: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Aldrich to approve the minutes from March 24th, 2026, 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 March 21, 2026. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 5,747.33; Treasurer's Office 6,483.20; Register of Deeds 5,864.46; State's Attorney 3,174.69; Sheriff's Office 11,878.25; Jailors 11,580.50; Assessor's Office 4,305.20; Commissioners 3,106.92; Veteran's Service 722.25; Ambulance 12,142.00; Maintenance 2,040.00; Home Health 618.75; Extension 1,386.00; Welfare 495.00; Planning & Zoning 926.75; OEM 1,070.00; 911 535.00; Weed 754.00; Highway 23,129.20; Social Security 5,853.46; Medicare 1,368.97; Health Insurance 24,697.27; Dental Insurance 495.52; SD Retirement 4,909.31 for a total of 133,284.03.

PAYROLL: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the payroll period ending April 4, 2026. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 5,781.98; Treasurer's Office 6,483.20; Register of Deeds 5,624.39; State's Attorney 3,174.69; Sheriff's Office 11,996.01; Jailors 12,756.60; Assessor's Office 4,305.20; Commissioners 3,106.92; Veteran's Service 1605.00; Ambulance 11,901.14; Maintenance 2,499.00; Home Health 858.83; Extension 1,386.00; Welfare 495.00; Planning & Zoning 953.25; OEM 1,070.00; 911 535.00; Weed 754.00; Highway 24,300.21; Social Security

6,078.00; Medicare 1,421.49; Life Insurance 241.76; Dental Insurance 465.12; SD Retirement 5,139.63 for a total of 112,932.42.

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

SERVICES: A&B Business Inc 184.27, Century Business Products 267.81, Deadwood Lodge 315.00, Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 8,202.02, Green Roby Oviatt LLP 4,964.00, RC Technologies 50.00, Richardson Wyly Wise Sauck 256.20, Ross Grupe 250.00, Safe Harbor 205.00, Sanford Health 640.00, SD DOH 12.00, SD Public Health Laboratory 200.00, Steinely Real Estate Appraisal 200.00, Steve Hargis 172.40, Taliaferro Law Firm 1,644.80, TwoTrees Technologies 2,829.70, Vestis 343.87, Wex 70.00, Xerox Corporation 356.08,

REPAIRS: Aaron Anderson 200.00, Butler Machinery 11,690.10, Dave Hahler Auto 7,977.99, First Call Auto Parts 994.44, Northstar Mechanical Inc 447.55, SD Lumber & Design LLC 10,762.72, Snaza Implement LLC 727.81, Transource Trucking Equipment 456.28, Twin Valley Tire 1,072.95, Webster Auto Care Inc 167.20, Webster Tire and Marine Service 3,583.73,

SUPPLIES: A-OX Welding Supply 385.03, Ace 312.47, Auto Value Webster 31.92, Bound Tree Medical LLC 342.53, Cash-Way 1,786.13, Dacotah Bank 8,639.98, Dollar General 323.50, Farm Power MSG Inc 13.41, Kwasniewski Enterprises Inc 85.00, McLeod's 949.25, Mike's Jack & Jill 206.47, Newman Traffic Signs 570.01, Phoenix Supply 276.48, Sioux Valley Cooperative 12,677.23, Supercom Inc 97.50, Tri State Water Inc 63.95, Valley Office Products 804.55,

UTILITY: AT&T Firstnet 299.80, City of Webster 373.18, ITC Telecom 1,705.66, Midcontinent Communications 472.41, Northwestern Energy 4,524.69,

PUBLISHING: Reporter & Farmer 1,598.62, Waubay Clipper 1,250.92,

UNEMPLOYMENT: SD Department of Labor 1,014.00,

BUILDING MAINTENANCE: Climate Systems Inc 132,653.30,

MANUAL CHECKS: Grant County Auditor 75.00, Day County Treasurer 142.53.

RESIGNATION: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to accept Deputy Sheriff Kolby Weinberg's resignation effective 4/29/26 from 4/17/26 that was approved in the March 24, 2026, meeting. Motion carried.

RADIOS: Sheriff Schreur via phone addressed the Commission regarding an article that was published March 12, 2026, in the Aberdeen Insider by Shannon Marvel titled "Rural ambulance, emergency challenges come to the forefront during last legislative coffee session". Schreur stated he had been questioned on the truth of the statement and how he planned to fix it, referring to the quote in the paper by a Day County resident "...the radios used by the Day County ambulance service were purchased by the Day County Sheriff's Office and are troublesome and unreliable. That's led to communication breakdown and delayed response to emergency calls, she said". Schreur made it very clear this statement is unequivocally false and that the radios in question were not purchased by the Day County Sheriff's Office nor the current Ambulance Director. Schreur clarified that the efforts to fix the radio(s) issue have been addressed and the Day County Sheriff's Office has and will continue to assist the Day County Ambulance in any way possible. Schreur stated the safety of our County residents and our First Responders is of utmost importance and any narrative against that does not reflect our unwavering commitment to our community.

ABATEMENT: Auditor Lehman presented an abatement for Commission approval.

ABATEMENT #2026-11 abate \$1079.74 on parcel #78.18.0310 for Next Town Ministries due to the property being tax exempt. Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve. Motion carried.

2026 BUDGET: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Kjos to approve an amendment to the 2026 budget as intended, which was to have \$80,000.00 as cash and not revenue on the Rural Access Highway Fund. Motion carried.

FUND TRANSFER: Moved by McGregor-Okroi seconded by Aldrich to approve fund transfer from assigned jail capital outlay (101-276.02) to unassigned fund balance (101-277.0) for capital outlay jail repairs for \$11,027.77. Motion carried.

CASH TRANSFER: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Kjos to approve the cash transfer from general fund (101-4-911-911) to E911 (207-371) as budgeted for \$17,005.00. Motion carried.

CASH TRANSFER: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to approve the cash transfer from general fund (101-4-911-911) to E911 (201-371) as budgeted for \$631,888.00. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve travel request for VSO Jeff Nelson to attend the SD Dept of Veterans Affairs mini conference in Sioux Falls. Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Aldrich to approve estimate from South Dakota Lumber & Design LLC of \$2,327.60 to put in new flooring in the vault of Register of Deed's office. Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to approve estimate from South Dakota Lumber & Design LLC of \$4,116.64 to put in new flooring in the Commissioner's room. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE-SECOND READING: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to approve the second reading and adopt Ordinance #2026-1. An ordinance amending Day County ordinance #98-10-1, an ordinance establishing zoning regulations for Day County, SD, and providing for the administration, enforcement, and amendment thereof, in accordance with the provisions of chapters 11-2, 1967 SDCL, and amendments thereof, and for the repeal of all resolutions and ordinances in conflict therewith as specified in the Ordinance to become effective 20 days after publication of second notice of adoption. Roll call passed 4-1: Kjos-Aye, Aldrich-Aye, Torrence-Aye, McGregor-Okroi-No, Sinner-Aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2026-01

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING DAY COUNTY ORDINANCE #98-10-1, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS FOR DAY COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, ENFORCEMENT, AND AMENDMENT THEREOF, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTERS 11-2, 1967 SDCL, AND AMENDMENTS THEREOF, AND FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH

Notice is hereby given that Ordinance number 2026-1 establishing permanent zoning regulations for Day County South Dakota, with such regulations being set forth in the document, entitled Zoning Regulations; providing for restrictions, district boundaries, and providing for repeal of all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict therewith. Day County is adopting this ordinance in order to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of its residents and the public. This ordinance was duly adopted by the County Commission on the 14th day of April 2026 and will become effective twenty days from the date of its last publication.

First reading: March 24, 2026
Second reading: April 14, 2026.
First publication date: April 20, 2026 and April 27, 2026.
Second publication date: April 27, 2026 and May 2, 2026.
Effective date: Twenty days after publication of second notice of adoption.
Dated this 14th day of April 2026

Derek Sinner, Chairman Board of County Commissioners
ATTEST: Tonya Lehman, Auditor

TRAVEL REQUEST: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve travel request for 3 employees of the Highway Dept. to attend MSHA training in Watertown. Motion carried.

SURPLUS: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Kjos to approve Highway Supt. Schmieg to surplus a power washer that was bought in 2017. Motion carried.

CULVERT BID: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve Highway Supt. Schmieg to use TrueNorth Steel's bid from Beadle County. Motion carried.

BASE STABILIZATION: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to approve Highway Supt. Schmieg to use Loiseau Construction Inc's bid from Harding County for \$340,073.07 for 6.5 miles on County Rd 4 before doing the overlay. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Kjos, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to enter Executive Session at 9:35 AM for personnel as per SDCL 1-25-2. Motion carried. Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 9:57 AM.

EQUALIZATION: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Kjos to recess the regular session at 10:00 AM, to convene as the County Equalization Board. Motion carried.

Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 10:47 AM.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to adjourn until 9:00 AM, Tuesday, April 21, 2026, to convene in the Commissioners' Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Motion carried.

Derek Sinner,
Chairman

ATTEST:

Tonya Lehman,
Day County Auditor

Day County does not discriminate on the basis of color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in employment or the provision of service.