DAY COUNTY COMMISSION
WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA
October 27, 2026

The Day County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 9:00 AM, Tuesday, October 27, 2026, in the Commissioners Chambers in the Day County Courthouse. Meeting called to order by Chairman Sinner. Members present: Commissioners McGregor-Okroi, Torrence, Kjos and Aldrich. Others: States Attorney Knight, Auditor Lehman, Treasurer Zubke, R.O.D. Berger, Hwy Supt. Schmieg, Michael Dolney, Glenn Gebur, Paul Dulitz, Shauna Kjos-Miotke, Amanda Dohn, and Timothy Gibson-R&F.

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

CORRESPONDENCE: A thank-you card received from Jen Moos was presented to the Board, acknowledging their Plastic Recycling donation of $1,500.00.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Glenn Gebur spoke regarding the upcoming election on Tuesday, November 3rd, and encouraged public voter turnout. Michael Dolney addressed the Board regarding his concerns about semis driving too fast on gravel roads. Dolney stated that the roads are being torn up and rocks are being thrown, and he suggested that driving 10 to 15 mph slower would save the county roads.

MINUTES: Moved by McGregor-Okroi, seconded by Kjos to approve the minutes from October 13, 2026, regular commissioner meeting. Motion carried.

PAYROLL: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the payroll period ending October 17, 2026. Motion carried.

Auditor's Office 5,747.73; Treasurer's Office 6,483.21; Register of Deeds 7,093.45; State's Attorney 3,174.69; Sheriff's Office 11,923.50; Jailors 10,685.26; Assessor's Office 4,305.20; Commissioners 3,106.92; Veteran's Service 3,167.75; Ambulance 11,235.57; Maintenance 2,269.50; Home Health 889.76; Extension 1,386.01; Welfare 495.00; Planning & Zoning 1,032.75; OEM 1,016.50; 911 454.75; Weed 754.01; Highway 23,254.53; Social Security 5,992.86; Medicare 1,401.55; Health Insurance 24,047.34; Dental Insurance 437.76; SD Retirement 5,055.45 for a total of 135,411.05.

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

SERVICES: Anacon Leasing 157.64, Certified Languages International 219.45, City of Watertown 7,842.53, Clark Family Dental 1,050.00, Kwasniewski Enterprises Inc 162.00, Scott Kuck 1,874.42, SDML Workers Compensation 50,087.00,

REPAIRS: Crawford Trucks & Equip 4,267.32, Dave Hahler Automotive 1,199.51, Kone Inc 399.24,

DEDUCTIBLE: Employee (0196) 784.44, Employee (0061) 2,000.00,

DUES: NSA 125.00, SDACC/NACO 2,472.02, SDACO 993.77,

SUPPLIES: ACE 21.98, Cole Paper's Inc 992.05, Equipment Blades Inc 3,798.00, Johnson Lumber 49.98, McLeod's 98.97, Minn-Kota Communications Inc 24,636.00, Newman Traffic Signs 1,703.97, Stern Oil Company 5,291.74,

UTILITY: Dependable Sanitation 240.75, Northwestern Energy 785.27, NVC 351.70, Otter Tail Power Co 37.67, Venture Communication Inc 197.90, Verizon 80.02,

APARTMENT RENT: Paul E Moriarty Living Trust 725.00,

ELECTION: ES&S 5,493.98,

PER DIEM: Amanda Bartelt 148.96,

MANUAL CHECKS: Midwest Contracting 389,717.50, Day County Treasurer 466.86.

REPORTS: The Board noted the following reports:

In compliance with the law, I, Tonya Lehman 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 October 1, 2026. Total amount of deposits in bank $225,543.77. Total amount of actual cash is $1,348.68. Total amount of deposits and drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding three days $36,839.37. Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts, which have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days: CD'S $2,850,000.00; IMMA $6,432,932.06; Postage $246.27; Register of Deeds petty cash $200.00; Sheriff $23,928.73; Credit cards $355.40 for a total of $9,571,394.28. Cash Balances: General Fund $3,897,706.28; Highway $4,935,963.92; E911 $7,989.59; OEM $15,888.06; Domestic Abuse $524.00; 24/7 Fund $54,614.42; M & P Fund $67,632.08; Highway Rural Access $75,404.92; 700 & 800 Accounts $630,397.33; equals $9,686,120.60.

In compliance with the law, I, Jodi Berger, hereby report the fees of the Office of Register of Deeds for the month of September 2029. Births (6) $90.00; Deaths (7) $105.00; Marriages (2) $80.00; Transfer fees $4,884.00; Recordings $3,925.00; Copies $622.30; Sales Tax $0.76 for a total of $9,707.06.

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 September 2026: Accident Reports $12.00; Phone cards $55.94; Phone Commission $293.76; Remote Breath Tests $161.60; Remote Breath Act/Deact $160.00; Sheriff's Fees $3,118.62; Juvenile Care $8,004.94; PBT Fees $881.00; Prisoners-Out of Co. $4503.00; UA Fees $70.00; Pierpont Contract Hours $500.00; Roslyn Contract Hours $500.00; Waubay Contract Hours $1,000.00; Bristol Contract Hours $1,000.00; Sales Tax $3.66 for a total of $20,264.52.

FOUNDATION: Shauna Kjos-Miotke and Amanda Dohn appeared before the Board to introduce the Glacial Lakes EMS Foundation and discuss its community objectives. Kjos-Miotke stated that the foundation's goal is to support the county and ambulance crew by working collaboratively to serve as an asset. Dohn noted that the foundation meets every two months and is currently conducting a raffle to purchase equipment items from a wish list established by the ambulance crew.

FULL-TIME EMT: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to table hiring a full-time EMT until a job description has been created by the Ambulance Director. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY LIGHTS: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Aldrich to approve the purchase of emergency lights for the ambulance service at the cost of $799.60. Motion carried.

eDISPATCHES: Moved by Torrence, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to table moving from the current phone application Zello to eDispatches until 2027. Motion carried.

AMBULANCE APARTMENT: Moved by Torrence, seconded by Kjos to approve the payment of an invoice from the previous landlord in the amount of $2,000.00, which includes furnishings, last month's rent, and carpet cleaning. Motion carried.

RADIO INVENTORY: Commissioner Torrence requested Ambulance Director Sackreiter and Highway Superintendent Schmieg to submit an inventory of their respective department radios to the Sheriff's Office.

SDPAA INSURANCE: Commissioner Torrence requested Ambulance Director Sackreiter and Highway Superintendent Schmieg to submit an inventory of their respective departments' equipment requiring insurance to the Auditor's Office by the next meeting.

HIGHWAY UPDATES: Superintendent Schmieg reported that the County Road 4 project is underway. He further noted that two plow trucks remain configured for gravel maintenance, while two additional plow trucks have been prepared for winter operations. Superintendent Schmieg is continuing to research CDL training programs and is consulting with neighboring counties regarding their CDL agreements.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to enter Executive Session at 9:52 AM for personnel/legal as per SDCL 1-25-2. Motion carried. Chairman Sinner reconvened the regular session at 11:04 AM.

TYLER TECHNOLOGIES: Moved by Kjos, seconded by Torrence to approve a new contract and migration from Incode 9 to Incode 10 software in 2027 at the cost of $31,800.00 and a recurring annual fee of $47,036 as budgeted (an increase of $9,520.83 annually). Motion carried.

HOLIDAY CLOSURE: Day County Courthouse and Highway Department will be closed on Wednesday November 11, 2026 in observance of Veterans Day.

BUILD SOUTH DAKOTA ROAD SHOW: Discussion was held regarding the upcoming event scheduled for Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at Webster High School. The event serves as an informal session for high school students, parents, and local businesses to address workforce shortages and explore full-ride technical college scholarships. The Board noted that representation from the county ambulance service, highway department, and sheriff's office would be beneficial to demonstrate available career opportunities within the county.

2027 PERSONNEL POLICY: Discussion was held noting that updates to the current personnel policy are underway, and input was requested from the Commission and department heads to assist with the revision process.

BITTER LAKE DRAINAGE: Commissioner Kjos reported on a recent meeting in Sioux Falls attended by himself and Bob Whitmyre to discuss drainage issues at Bitter Lake. Commissioner Kjos noted that three-quarters of our state lawmakers attended the meeting, increasing awareness of the issue and potential opportunities for future resources.

Moved by Aldrich, seconded by Torrence to approve travel reimbursement for Bob Whitmyre for the Sioux Falls meeting. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Aldrich, seconded by McGregor-Okroi to adjourn until 9:00 AM, Thursday, November 5, 2026, 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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Tonya Lehman,
Day County Auditor

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