

The Roberts County Commissioners met at 9:00 am in regular session with Tom Vergeldt, Don Carlson, Faye Johnston, Brian Heinecke, Tim Zempel and Kristi Fritz present. Jason Deutsch-Sisseton Courier livestream. Chairman Vergeldt presiding. Vergeldt called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

MINUTES/AGENDA

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Carlson to approve the November 26, 2024, agenda and minutes for the November 19 and 20, 2024, meetings as written. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Don Carlson discussed the Roberts County Courthouse Security Committee meeting where it was decided that the only one allowed to view courthouse security cameras besides the courthouse will be the Roberts County Sheriffs Dept.

Robert Vassalo, Robert Horton, Shirley Horton and Gary Sheldon met with the Commissioners and questioned the process for replacing the soon-to-be vacated seat of Commissioner Dist. 3 effective December 31, 2024. States Attorney Kirchmeier explained the process according to SD codified laws.

Darin Fonder discussed the open Veterans Service Officer position.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier-States Attorney discussed the previous weeks' jury trial and asked the board to table signing contract with the Dept of Health.

SHERIFF

Tyler Appel-Sheriff presented a prisoner count of 54. Kylee Kranhold and Sam Enwiller also in attendance. Appel presented paperwork pertaining to unanticipated revenue to be supplemented into the sheriff and jail budgets: Cops Grants \$60966.29; School Resource Officer reimbursement \$6,667.67; Prisoner transport \$671.21; Prisoner care \$4,443.62 and Jail repairs 1095.92.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Heinecke to supplement the sheriff budget 67,632.96; and Jail budget 6,210.75. All voted aye, motion carried.

Appel would like to form a committee to research old jail room & board liens consisting of county employees from the jail and auditor's office. Commissioners gave approval.

Sam Enwiller gave an update on the 911 system and dispatchers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Heinecke to convene into executive session at 10:14 am to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Chairman Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 10:24 am.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Zempel to pay Deputy Schmidt a stipend of \$47.50/week for drug dog care. All voted aye, motion carried.

HIGHWAY

Joey Anderson-Highway Supt. discussed new hires and the possibility of a contract for all new employees to sign if the county pays to obtain a CDL.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Carlson to convene into executive session at 10:32 am to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Chairman Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 10:36 am.

LANDFILL

Jamie Dahl-Landfill Mgr. discussed landfill cell expansion. Dahl would also like to attend the conference on May 12-14, 2025.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Carlson to convene into executive session at 10:47 am to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Chairman Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 11:00 am.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Randy Maddox - Regional Em Mgmt Mgr. explained the LEMPG (Local Emergency Management Performance Grant) and why Roberts County is on probation as far as the grant funding. Roberts County did not meet all the criteria necessary in 2024. Maddox will look into partial funding and will be more diligent with our new Emergency Manager-Paige Schaunaman.

OTHER

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Johnston to table signing the 2025 contract with the Department of Health-Public Health. All voted aye, motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion by Zempel, seconded by Heinecke to pay the following claims: COMMISSIONER-Utilities/Venture Comm 91.08, Total 91.08; JUDICIAL-Jury 1646.32, Transcripts/Kelli Lardy 225.40, Total 1871.72; AUDITOR-Utilities/Venture Comm 97.00 Total 97.00; TREASURER-Utilities/Venture Comm 96.45, Total 96.45; STATES ATTY-Utilities/Venture Comm 168.22, Total 168.22; COURT APP ATTY - Services/Doody 1368.50, Delaney 8635.62, Total 10004.12 GOV BLDG-Rentals/Venture Comm 274.92, Total 274.92; DIR OF EQUAL-Rental/Great Am Fin Serv 106.17, Supplies/Office Peeps 27.06, Utilities/Venture Comm 96.15, Total 229.38; REG OF DEEDS - Utilities/Venture Comm 98.29, Total 98.29; VETERAN SERV-Utilities/Venture Comm 122.35, Total 122.35; SHERIFF-Supplies/Amazon 104.99, Galls 12.56, Sioux Valley Coop 2237.42, Utilities/AT&T 570.37, Total 3105.34; JAIL-Care of Prisoner/Amazon 224.38, Marlon Bautista 20.17, CDP 4178.30, Summit Foods 4780.27, Harloff Co 24.50, Utilities/Venture Comm 1265.00, Total 10492.62; DISPATCH-Other/Amazon 66.47, Total 66.47; EXTENSION-Utilities/Venture Comm 163.06, Total 163.06; PLANNING & ZONING-Utilities/Venture Comm 91.08, Total 91.08; HWY & BRIDGE-Utilities/Venture Comm 166.26, Total 166.26; EM MGMT-Utilities/Venture Comm 141.75, Total 141.75; JAIL-Supplies/Amazon 19.48, Total 19.48; LANDFILL-Supplies/Sioux Valley 1996.10, Utilities/Venture Comm 162.07, Total 2158.17; DEL TAX PMT-1221.59, Total 1221.59. TOTAL 30679.35

ADJOURN

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Heinecke to adjourn at 11:32 am until December 2, 2024. All voted aye, motion carried.