

The Roberts County Commissioners met at 9:00 am in regular session with Tom Vergeldt, Brian Heinecke, Faye Johnston, John Dabek Jr. and Kristi Fritz in attendance. Ken Nelson absent. Jason Deutsch-Sisseton Courier livestream. Chairman Vergeldt presiding. Vergeldt called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

MINUTES/AGENDA

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Dabek, to approve August 19, 2025, agenda and the August 12, 2025, minutes as written. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier-States Attorney met with the Commissioners to discuss Resolution 2025-37, upcoming jury trials and farming in the right of way along county roads.

RESOLUTION 2025-37

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Dabek to approve Resolution 2025-37 as written:

**RESOLUTION 2025-37
RESOLUTION FOR RECOGNITION OF REVERSION
OF PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, Roberts County has purchased or been given property over the years for the purpose of building and maintaining a road;

WHEREAS, the instrument transferring ownership of the property to Roberts County contained specific reversionary language if the property was no longer used for road purposes;

WHEREAS, Roberts County recognizes that certain parcels of land are no longer being used for road purposes;

WHEREAS, the Roberts County Board of County Commissioners would like to formally recognize the reversion of the property to the previous owners or their successors in interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota that all parcels of land that were purchased by or given to Roberts County for road purposes, in which the deed to Roberts County contained reversionary language such as "for road purposes only," "for the purpose of a road," or similar language, that are no longer being used for a road as of August 19, 2025 have now been or can now be reverted to the previous owners or their successors in interest.

Dated at Sisseton, South Dakota this 19th day of August, 2025.

Roberts County Board of Commissioners Tom Vergeldt, Chairman

ATTEST: Kristi Fritz, Roberts County Auditor

PUBLIC DEFENDER BID OPENING

The County received one bid for the Public Defender contract which was a joint bid from Cameron Law and Doody Law Offices for \$350,000 per year for a two-year period. The contractual amount would be split equally (\$175,000) each year between each law office with the case load being split 50/50.

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Dabek to accept the joint bid from Cameron Law and Doody Law for \$350,000 per year for a two-year period (Jan. 1, 2026, through Dec. 31, 2027). All voted aye, motion carried.

SHERIFF

Tyler Appel-Sheriff presented a prisoner count of 48.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Dabek to convene into executive session at 9:33 am to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). All voted aye, motion carried. Chairman Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 9:43 am.

HIGHWAY

Joey Anderson, Highway Supt. discussed the new groomer and complaints about the blading on County Rd #10.

ROBERT HORTON

Robert Horton discussed abandoned right of ways and Resolution 2025-37.

PLATS/RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Heinecke to adopt the following resolutions. All voted aye, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2025-38

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular session that the plat of Lundstrom Outlot 1 located in the NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 12, T124N, R51W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 19th day of August 2025 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-2-2 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Tom Vergeldt-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2025-39

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular session that the plat of Julius Subdivision located in the S1/2 of SE1/4, of Section 14, T126N, R52W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 19th day of August 2025 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-2-2 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Tom Vergeldt-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2025-40

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular session that the plat of Pond Hollow Addition located in the N1/2NW1/4, of Section 10, T123N, R51W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 19th day of August 2025 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-2-2 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Tom Vergeldt-Commissioner Chairman

RESOLUTION 2025-41

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Roberts County, South Dakota, in regular session that the plat of Robel Addition located in Government Lot 2, of Section 2, T122N, R48W of the 5th P.M. Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 19th day of August 2025 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-2-2 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Kristi Fritz-Roberts County Auditor

Tom Vergeldt-Commissioner Chairman

AUTOMATIC SUPPLEMENT

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Johnston to approve the automatic supplement due to Grant reimbursement the following budgets: 2,660.00 Sheriff Equipment; 47,960.52 Sheriff Wages; 4,349.71 Sheriff SS/Med and 4,548.71 Sheriff retirement totally 59,518.94. All voted aye, motion carried.

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH TREASURER

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Dabek to approve the Auditor's Account with the Treasurer for July 2025. All voted aye, motion carried.

I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of this County as of July 31, 2025.

Total amount of deposits	2,689,420.78	Money Market Savings	3,839,254.16
Total amount of cash	1,550.67	Certificates of Deposit	3,428,354.13
Itemized list		Reg Deeds/Landfill	381,743.17
		TOTAL CASH	10,340,322.91

General Ledger Cash Balance by Funds

General Fund	5,275,912.39
Special Revenue/Rd & Bridge	1,041,876.39
Rr & Br Restricted	118,568.72
911 Telephone	25,935.85
Emergency Mgmt	(27,585.63)
Domestic Abuse	230.01
24/7 Sobriety	(24,240.22)
Modernization/Preservation	36,029.45
Rural Access Infrastructure	520,356.73
Opioid Settlement Fund	79,223.34
Debt Service/Jail Bond	384,035.15
Enterprise Fund/Landfill	1,232,719.92
Restricted	1,219,421.00
Trust & Agency	457,839.81

(Schools 64,228.55/Twps 70,534.12/Towns 24,616.48)

TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH **10,340,322.91**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Dabek to convene into executive session at 10:12 am to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). All voted aye, motion carried.

Chairman Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 10:44 am.

CLAIMS

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Dabek to pay the following claims: JUDICIAL-Transcripts/Kelli Lardy 140.25, Total 140.25; TREASURER-Supplies/Cardmember 254.75, Total 254.75; STATES ATTY-Rentals/Marlin Leasing 68.39, Supplies/Marlin Leasing 67.24, Total 135.63; GOV BLG-Supplies/Cardmember 34.64, Total 34.64; SHERIFF-Supplies/Cardmember 352.80, Kylee Kranhold 17.20, WEX 651.21, Travel/Cardmember 95.00, Drug Dog/Cardmember 41.36, Total 1157.57; JAIL-Supplies/Vanessa Batie 1250.00, Cardmember 416.00, Sioux Vly Coop 1903.52, Tri State Water 67.80, Valley Soft Water 255.00, Uniforms/Pheasantland Industries 932.40, Repair/Pye Barker Fire & Safety 514.00, Rental/Valley Soft Water 100.00, Total 5438.72; CORONER-Prof Fee/Terry Sorensen 1500.00, Travel/Terry Sorensen 79.33, Total 1579.33; DISPATCH-Other/MinnKota Comm 1926.25, Total 1926.25; MENTALLY ILL-Services/Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 150.00, Total 150.00; COUNTY FAIR-Supplies/Sisseton Courier 239.75, Total 239.75; EXTENSION-Supplies/Cardmember 150.57, Rental/Century Bus Prod 159.23, Travel/K&K 38.59, Total 348.39; HWY & BRIDGE-Prof Fee/TwoTrees Tech 149.95, Repairs/Butler Machine Co 130.38, CNH Industrial 924.45, Wallwork Truck Ctr 318.97, Supplies/Bituminous Paving 18642.57, CT Sibson 6965.95, Utilities/Sioux Valley coop 3124.01, Utilities/Otter Tail Pwr 338.17, Total 30594.45; 24/7-Supplies/Pharmchem 1757.82, Total 1757.82; SHERIFF OPIOD-Supplies/Cardmember Serv 75.00, Total 75.00; LANDFILL-Repairs/Cardmember 2370.03, Supplies/Cardmember 161.61, Stillson Serv 2351.20, Valley Office Prod 577.68, Total 5460.52. TOTAL 49293.07

ADJOURN

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Heinecke to adjourn from regular session at 10:48 am until August 26. All voted aye, motion carried.