

The Roberts County Commissioners met at 9:00 am in regular session with Tom Vergeldt, Brian Heinecke, Faye Johnston, John Dabek Jr., Ken Nelson and Kristi Fritz in attendance. Kevin 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 Johnston, to approve August 26, 2025, agenda as written and August 19, 2025, minutes as amended. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gary Sheldon met with the Board to discuss the bridge work needed on County Rd 7 and resolution regarding eminent domain. The Board informed Sheldon that they adopted Resolution 2025-37 which addresses this issue.

Faye Johnston had received a complaint from a county resident regarding road blading on County Rd 15 which she passed onto Joey Anderson-Highway Supt.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier-States Attorney met with the Commissioners and discussed Public Defender contract and proposed Solid Waste Ordinance.

SHERIFF

Tyler Appel-Sheriff presented a prisoner count of 44. Appel had been approached by the Town of Wilmot regarding a memorial for Tom Nordquist - former deputy/correctional officer for Roberts County. Appel would like to do something similar for Neil Long-former Sheriff. Commissioners gave their ok.

HIGHWAY

Joey Anderson, Highway Supt. discussed the county road issues and CDL training for highway dept workers. Anderson also presented a right of way certificate and utility certificate easements for project BRO 8055(00)23-1 located 1.5 miles S & 1 mile E of Claire City on 107<sup>th</sup> St.

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Nelson to authorize Chairman Vergeldt to sign easements. All voted aye, motion carried.

LANDFILL

Alden Hayes updated the Board on landfill concerns and possible options for sorting of combined loads.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Johnston to convene into executive session at 10:26 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 10:54 am.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Heinecke to sign the 2026 Local Emergency Management Performance Grant effective 10/1/2025 through 9/30/26. All voted aye, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Dabek to convene into executive session at 11:30 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 12:00 pm.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Johnston, to offer Landfill Manager position to Alden Hayes effective August 26, 2025, at the rate of \$23.00/hour and to pay retroactive wages to July 20, 2025. All voted aye, motion carried.

OTHER

There has been an inquiry from Marvin & Connie Piotter regarding a print by Larry Green displayed in the courthouse. Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Johnston to loan the print to Marvin & Connie Piotter with the condition to be returned to the Courthouse upon requested. All voted aye, motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Dabek to pay the following claims: COMMISSIONER-Utilities/Venture Comm 35.17, Total 35.17; JUDICIAL-Transcripts/Kelli Lardy 38.25, Witness 20.00, Jury 551.42 Total 609.67; AUDITOR-Supplies/Mcleods Printing 252.50, Utilities/Venture Comm 103.43, Total 355.93; TREASURER-Utilities/Venture Comm 115.14, Total 115.14; STATES ATTY-Utilities/Venture Comm 161.91, Total 161.91; COURT APP ATTY-Prof Services/Hallman Engineering 2437.50, Total 2437.50; GOV BLG-Supplies/Amazon 30.94, Repairs/Safe N Secure 315.95, Rental/Venture Comm 261.04, Total 607.93; DIR OF EQUAL-

Travel/Cedar Stone Resort 306.18, Rental/Great Am Fin Serv 106.17, Supplies/Office Peeps 18.45, Utilities/Venture Comm 106.15, Total 539.95; REG OF DEEDS-Supplies/Amazon 155.36, Utilities/Venture Comm 108.89, Total 264.25; VETERAN SERV-Utilities/Venture Comm 117.41, Total 117.41; SHERIFF-Supplies/Amazon 1019.29, Total 1019.29; JAIL-Supplies/Amazon 1922.16, Bernard Food 250.00, Cash-wa 13192.23, Pennington Co Jail 732.19, Sanford Health 1649.96, Xerox 328.50, Uniforms/Amazon 77.95, Utilities/Venture Comm 1360.67, Total 19513.66; MENTALLY ILL-Services/Grant Co Auditor 414.33, Minnehaha Co Auditor 439.50, Total 853.83; EXTENSION-Utilities/Venture Comm 162.12, Total 162.12; WEED-Supplies/Trophy Land Control 1360.00, Total 1360.00; PLANNING & ZONING-Utilities/Venture Comm 103.43, Total 103.43 HWY & BRIDGE-Supplies/Serocki Exc 7975.44, Utilities/Venture Comm 162.45, Total 8137.89, EMERGENCY MGMT-Supplies/Kraus Bros Const 253.71, Utilities/Venture Comm 50.59, Total 304.30; 24/7 JAIL-Supplies/Amazon 59.64, Total 59.64; LANDFILL-Utilities/Venture Comm 159.77, Total 159.77; STATE MOTOR VEH-Fund/David Street 58.00, Total 58.00; PAYROLL-Commissioner 6452.98, Auditor 5382.53, Treasurer 8237.02, States Atty 13982.06, Gov Bldg 2211.64, Dir of Equal 5637.08, Reg of Deeds 5229.89, Veteran Serv 1307.34, Sheriff 23829.89, Jail 30523.46, Dispatch 21070.62, Juv Det 5605.67, Nurse 2119.83, Extension 2222.69, Planning & Zoning 2517.74, Road & Bridge 30859.56, 911 Tele 4855.17, Emergency Mgmt 2160.91, 24/7 2830.38, Landfill 10129.12. New Hire-Jordan Peterson-Deputy 24.19, Amanda Campbell-Jailer 20.00. TOTAL 224139.37

ADJOURN

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Heinecke to adjourn from regular session at 12:02 pm until September 2. All voted aye, motion carried.