

The Roberts County Commissioners met at 9:00 am in regular session with Tom Vergeldt, Brian Heinecke, Faye Johnston, Ken Nelson, Dylan Kirchmeier and Kristi Fritz in attendance. John Dabek 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 Heinecke, seconded by Nelson, to approve September 30, 2025, minutes and October 7, 2025, agenda as written. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier-State Attorney discussed the Memorandum of Understanding with Dakota State Univ. The purpose of the MOU with DSU is to protect and enhance the cybersecurity posture of SD counties and municipalities through the SecureSD Program which by the enacting of SB 187 secured funding to provide assistance in reducing cybersecurity risks etc.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Heinecke to authorize Chairman Vergeldt to sign the MOU between Dakota State Univ. and Roberts County. All voted aye, motion carried.

SHERIFF

Tyler Appel-Sheriff presented a prisoner count of 53. Appel discussed inmate medical care and how to use the Opioid Settlement funds.

HIGHWAY

Joey Anderson-Highway Supt. presented Resolution 2025-43 - 5 Year Bridge Plan. Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Johnston to approve Resolution 2025-43 and authorize Chairman Vergeldt to sign certification form for the 5 yr Bridge plan. All voted aye, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2025-43A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ROBERTS COUNTY FIVE-YEAR HIGHWAY AND
BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Department of Transportation Local Bridge and Improvement Grant Fund requires that in order to be eligible to apply for Bridge Improvement Grant funds, Counties are required to develop a five-year Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan, hereinafter referred to as Plan;
and

WHEREAS, Roberts County has utilized the South Dakota Department of Transportation, County Staff, the First District Association of Local Governments, Townships, and the general public in developing the various components of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan includes maps and lists identifying an inventory of highways and bridges, project needs, and revenue sources; and

WHEREAS, Roberts County held a public meeting on September 2, 2025 to solicit input into the Plan, and the citizens who attended expressed an interest in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County will be able to use the Plan as a tool to budget for transportation enhancements and better coordinate transportation issues with other entities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ROBERTS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT THE ROBERTS COUNTY FIVE-YEAR HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PLAN IS HEREBY ADOPTED AND IS RECOGNIZED AS THE HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR ROBERTSCOUNTY.

Dated at Roberts, South Dakota this 7th Day of October, 2025.

Tom Vergeldt, County Commissioner Chair

ATTEST: Kristi Fritz, County Auditor

LANDFILL

Alden Hayes-Landfill Mgr and Leif Redinger-Helms and Assoc. discussed the Grant/Loan approval from the state Solid Waste Management Program and how to proceed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Heinecke to convene into executive session at 10:33 am for contractual pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3). All voted aye, motion carried. Chairman Vergeldt declared meeting back into regular session at 11:29 am.

OTHER

The Register of Deeds fees of \$9,099.00 for the month of September 2025 were presented.

CLAIMS

Motion by Heinecke, seconded by Nelson to pay the following claims: COMMISSIONER-Unemployment/SD Unemployment 9.57, Publishing/Sisseton Courier 455.84, Total 465.41; JUDICIAL-Materials/Rosalies 27.00, Teal's 22.14, Twotrees Tech 316.06, Total 365.20; AUDITOR-Supplies/Twotrees Tech 1707.57, Total 1707.57; TREASURER-Publishing/Sisseton Courier 127.50, Supplies/Twotrees Tech 212.15, Total 339.65; STATES ATTY-Unemployment/SD Unemployment 16.50, Supplies/Thomson Reuters 289.32, Twotrees Tech 353.56, Total 659.38; PUBLIC DEFENDER-Cameron Law 13333.34, Doody Law 13333.34, Total 26666.68; COURT APP ATTY-Prof Services/Green Roby Oviatt Cummings Law 3588.00, Taliaferro Law 4834.00, Mitch Vilhauer 5125.95, Total 13547.95; GOV BLDG-Supplies/ACE 29.95, Cole Papers 1185.07, Repairs/R&M Heating 85.00, Utilities/City of Sisseton 266.36, Rental/Vestis 83.23, Total 1649.61; DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION-Supplies/Twotrees Tech 697.36, Unemployment/SD Unemployment 5.19, Furn/Lisa Skog 90.27, Total 792.82; REG OF DEEDS-Supplies/Sisseton Courier 305.62, Twotrees Tech 268.10, Total 573.72; VETERAN SERV-Unemployment/SD Unemployment 9.85, Supplies/Twotrees Tech 328.06, Total 337.91; SHERIFF-Repairs/Advanced Graphix 326.00, Quick Pro Lube 91.49, Sisseton Automotive 301.54, Twin Valley Tire 881.20, Supplies/Artistic Custom Badges 316.50, Eppico 552.12, Twotrees Tech 42.00, Unemployment/SD Unemployment 97.59, Total 2608.44; JAIL-Supplies/ACE 76.93, Cole Paper 3278.19, CWA 15995.91, Dept of Health 2140.00, Grant Roberts Ambulance 489.00, Sioux Vllly Coop 3459.00, Tri State Bldg 117.09, Twotrees Tech 3316.00, Valley Soft Water 272.00, Repairs/Doug Hamm Plumbing 158.12, Health Ins Reimb-416.67, Total 416.67; Unemployment/SD Unemployment Ins 131.00, Utilities/City of Sisseton 477.73, Rental/Valley Soft Water 100.00, Total 30427.64; DISPATCH-Other/Powell Kouba & Torness 80.00, Twotrees Tech 60.28, Unemployment/SD Unemployment 79.37, Total 219.65; NURSE-Unemployment/SD Unemployment .71, Total .71; MENTALLY ILL-Services/Lincoln Co Treasurer 394.67, Total 394.67; MENTAL HEALTH-Center/Human Serv Agency 3886.75, Total 3886.75; EXTENSION-Utilities/City of Sisseton 148.72, Total 148.72; WEED-Supplies/Twotrees Tech 6.00, Total 6.00; HWY & BRIDGE-Rental/A-OX 120.02, Repairs/ACE 2.54, First Call Auto 426.79, Titan 670.75, Twin Valley Tire 5100.42, Wallwork Truck Center 198.16, Supplies/ACE 155.87, First Call Auto 18.68, Hardware Hank 11.47, K&K 72.85, SD DOT 85.53, Sioux Valley Coop 18919.81, Teals Market 19.25, Twotrees Tech 328.04, Travel & Conf/Country Inn 1152.46, Health Ins Reimb 125.60, Unemployment/SD Unemployment 55.09, Utilities/City of Sisseton 218.88, Publishing/Sisseton Courier 67.50, Health Ins/Reimburse 177.26; Total 27926.97; 911 TELE-Utilities/RC Tech 583.30, Total 583.30; EMERGENCY MGMT-Utilities/RC Tech 42.48, Total 42.48; 24/7-Supplies/Pharmchem 1566.12, Sisseton Courier 298.50, Total 1864.62; HWY & BRIDGE RURA ACCESS-Other/Alto Twp 13138.51, Sisseton Twp 28238.72, Total 41377.23; LANDFILL-Repairs/Auto Value 434.48, Hortness Imp 141.00, Supplies/Auto Value 63.45, Stillson Service 149.18, Twotrees Tech 238.54, Prof Fee/Avera 37.70, Helms & Assoc 4680.00, Trash Flow 40.00, Utilities/BDM 46.00, Whetstone Elect 279.12, Total 6109.47; LAW LIBRARY-Supplies/Thomson Reuters 704.27, Total 704.27; DEL TAX PMT-Total 506.60.
TOTAL 163913.42

ADJOURN

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Nelson to adjourn from regular session at 11:36 am until October 14. All voted aye, motion carried.