

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

MINUTES/AGENDA

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Johnston to approve December 16, 2025, minutes as written and December 23, 2025, agenda as written. All voted aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STATES ATTORNEY

Dylan Kirchmeier-States Attorney met with the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Fritz to convene into executive session at 9:01 am for litigation pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3). All voted aye, motion carried. Chairman Heinecke declared the meeting back into regular session at 9:21 am.

ABATEMENT/REFUND

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Nelson to approve abatement #2141, #2143 & #2144 for 2025 taxes payable 2026 and refund #2142 in the amount of 248.29 for taxes payable 2023 payable 2024 due to settlement agreed upon for the 2025 payable 2026 tax appeals. All voted aye, motion carried.

SHERIFF

Kylee Kranhold-Office Administrator presented a prisoner count of 46. Kranhold presented revenue from the Jail in the amount of \$332,375.17 for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (10/15-12-17). Kranhold explained the revenue and requested the following to be supplemented back into specific budgets: 9,183.47 Care of Prisoner; 96.00 Jail salary; 11,728.95 Sheriff Wages; 2,105.00 Sheriff vehicle; 425.00 Dispatch other and 851.00 PBT Kiosk expenses.

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Nelson to approve automatic supplements to the budgets as requested. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Nelson to sign agreement with Summit Town for Law Enforcement Services for \$10,000 for 15 hours per month effective Jan. 1 through Dec 31, 2026. All voted aye, motion carried.

AUTOMATIC SUPPLEMENT

Auditor Fritz requested automatic supplements to the Sheriff Wage budgets in the amount of \$35,327.21 and Sheriff repair budget for \$3,922.61 due to grant reimbursement and insurance claims. Motion by Dabek, seconded by J. Fritz to approve the automatic supplements. All voted aye, motion carried.

HIGHWAY

Joey Anderson-Highway Supt. met with the Board and presented a bill from the Summit township which qualifies for the RAIF (Rural Access Infrastructure Fund). Motion by Nelson, seconded by Dabek to reimburse Summit Township 80% of the cost for a culvert replacement in the amount of \$25,077.60. All voted aye, motion carried.

Anderson requested closing the Highway dept. all day on Christmas Eve with the employees taking 5 hours of vacation. The Board agreed to this request.

Anderson also discussed purchasing an ice scraper which would mount on front of the blade. The board told Anderson to look into purchasing one.

LANDFILL

Alden Hayes-Landfill Mgr. discussed purchasing a new blade for their pickup and he had received an estimate for \$3,500 from Mike's Alignment which was like earlier estimate Hayes had received. The Board told Hayes to fix the pickup and to price a new blade.

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING

No one appeared for the public hearing. Motion by Dabek, seconded by Nelson to approve additional budget for the following: Rural Access Infrastructure Fund \$135,000 and Opioid Settlement Fund \$10,000. All voted aye, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Johnston to convene into executive session at 10:35 am for contractual pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3). All voted aye, motion carried. Chairman Heinecke declared executive session out of contractual and into personnel pursuant to

SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 11:22 pm. Chairman Heinecke declared the meeting back into regular session at 11:45 pm.

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Fritz to offer Samuel Fredericksen \$19.00/hour as the Zoning Administrator/Deputy Director of Equalization with an additional \$1.00/hour upon completing his certification. All voted aye, motion carried.

OTHER

The Board would like to thank Tim Farnen for his 11 years of service as a Roberts County Dispatcher. Tim officially retired on December 6, 2025.

CLAIMS

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Nelson to pay the following claims: JUDICIAL-Supplies/Reserve Acct 380.00, Jury 2556.20, Total 2936.20; AUDITOR-Supplies/Reserve Acct 420.00. Travel/Card Services 29.34, Total 449.34; TREASURER-Supplies/Reserve Acct 620.00. Total 620.00; STATES ATTY-Supplies/Reserve Acct 20.00, Total 20.00; GOV BLDG-Utilities/CHS 465.31, Repairs/Hamm Plumbing 675.32, Total 1140.63; DIR OF EQUALIZATION-Supplies/Cardmember Serv 460.12, Reserve Acct 120.00, Lisa Skog 15.92, Total 596.04; REG OF DEEDS-Supplies/Reserve Acct 100.00, Total 100.000; VETERAN SERV-Supplies/Cardmember Serv 13.89, Reserve Acct 20.00, Total 33.89; SHERIFF-Repairs/Advanced Graphix 299.00, Travel/AmericInn 228.00, Cardmember Serv 344.00, Supplies/Cardmember Serv 18.90, Galls 115.28, Reserve Acct 280.00, Drug Dog/Cardmember Serv 68.27, Utilities/Intoximeters 449.00, Total 1802.45; JAIL-Supplies/Sisseton Dental 98.00, Vestis 13.97, Utilities/CHS 1617.71, Total 172.68; NURSE-Supplies/Reserve Account 20.00, Total 20.00; POOR-Burial/Wight & Comes 1650.00, Total 1650.00 MENTALLY ILL-Services/Delaney Nielsen & Sannes 300.00, Yankton Co 50.00, Total 350.00; EXTENSION-Postage/Reserve Acct 20.00, Supplies/Cardmember Serv 221.19, Rental/Century Link 133.43, Total 374.62; HWY & BRIDGE-Prof Fee/Avera Occupational 37.70, Supplies/CHS 1131.45, Equipment Blades 10530.95, Goldstar Prod 699.62, Krause Bros Const 1842.18, Sioux Valley Coop 1531.79, Vestis 22.18, Repairs/Steve Finnesand 720.00, Sioux Valley Coop 727.00, Transource Equip 4107.04, Total 21349.91; HWY & BRIDGE RURAL ACCESS-Summit Twp 25077.60, Total 25077.60; LANDFILL-Repair/Butler Machine 313.98, Supplies/Cardmember Serv 14.79, Travel/Alden Hayes 140.70, Total 469.47; TOTAL 58719.83

ADJOURN

Motion by Dabek, seconded by Fritz to adjourn from regular session at 11:49 am until December 30. All voted aye, motion carried.