

THE MINNEHAHA COUNTY COMMISSION CONVENED AT 9:00 AM on January 28, 2025, pursuant to adjournment on January 21, 2025. COMMISSIONERS PRESENT WERE: Beninga, Bleyenbergh, Heisey, Karsky, and Kippley. Also present were Kym Christiansen, Commission Recorder, and Eric Bogue, Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney.

Chair Karsky called the meeting to order.

MOTION to Bleyenbergh, seconded by Heisey, to Amend the Proposed Agenda by Adding an Item to "Regular Business", immediately before Item 9, to be Titled "Motion to Authorize the Chair to Sign an Application for Party Status, HP24-001, in the Matter of the Application by SCS Carbon Transport, LLC for a Permit to Construct a Carbon Dioxide Transmission Pipeline. 5 ayes.

MOTION by Beninga, seconded by Kippley, to Approve the Agenda as Amended. 5 ayes.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Kippley, seconded by Heisey, to Approve the Consent Agenda. By roll call vote: 5 ayes. The consent agenda includes the following items:

Commission Meeting Minutes for January 21, 2025

Bills to be Paid \$963,179.98

A&B BUSINESS SOLUT Lease-Rental Agreement \$253.02, A&B BUSINESS SOLUT Maintenance Contracts \$258.16, A&B BUSINESS SOLUT Office Supplies \$13.03, AARON GEORGE PROPERT Welfare Rent \$1535, ACCREDITATION AUDIT Subscriptions \$150, ALL NATIONS INTERPRE Interpreters \$3501.3, AMAZON CAPITAL SERVI Jury Fees \$49.9, ASH LAW OFFICE PLLC Child Defense Attorney \$1224.48, AVERA HEART HOSPITAL Hospitals \$4290.99, AVERA MCKENNAN Hospitals \$35000, BALOUN LAW PC Child Defense Attorney \$5.4, BANGS, MCCULLEN, BUTLE Attorney Fees \$1713.5, C & B OPERATIONS LLC Bridge Repair & Maintenance \$1929.96, C & B OPERATIONS LLC Small Tools & Shop Supplies \$154.04, CENTURY BUSINESS PRO Maintenance Contracts \$68.99, CENTURYLINK LONG DIS Telephone \$8.68, CHAGOLLA, ALBERT Interpreters \$115, CHASING WILLOWS LTD Welfare Rent \$949, CHUUKSE NATIVE LANG Interpreters \$160, CINTAS CORPORATION Janitorial Chemical Supplies \$175.8, CINTAS CORPORATION Uniform Allowance \$47.59, CMS COMMUNICATIONS I Data Processing Equipment \$537, COMPUTER FORENSIC RE Professional Services \$750, DAKOTA EMBALMING & T Transportation \$6950, DECASTRO LAW OFFICE Child Defense Attorney \$5509.5, DELL RAPIDS TOWNSHIP Miscellaneous Expense \$16536.77, EH HOSPITALITY LLC Welfare Rent \$500, EICH LAW OFFICE LLC Attorney Fees \$1092.5, ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO I Miscellaneous Expense \$248.94, ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIPM Heavy Equipment \$226845, FARNSWORTH, MICHAEL Professional Services \$13975, GBR INC Interpreters \$120, GLOBAL TEL LINK (GT Miscellaneous Expense \$1.86, GLOBAL TEL LINK (GT Telephone \$35.13, GLORY HOUSE Miscellaneous Expense \$5100, GOEBEL PRINTING INC Printing/Forms \$3617.9, GRIESE LAW FIRM Attorney Fees \$9824.64, GRIESE LAW FIRM Child Defense Attorney \$402.5, GROVE AT ELLIS Welfare Rent \$500, GUARDRAIL ENTERPRISE Road Maint & Material \$1476.99, GUNDERSEN CLINIC Other Medical Services \$323.26, GUNDERSEN LUTHERAN Other Medical Services \$2503.25, GUNNER, ANDREA Court Reporters \$117, GUZMAN, SANDRA V Interpreters \$420, HANSON, MICHAEL W Attorney Fees \$1368.5, HARTFORD TOWNSHIP Miscellaneous Expense \$8289.92, HEIDPRIEM PURTELL Child Defense Attorney \$3153.43, HEWLETT PACKARD Data Processing Equipment \$643.08, HIGH POINT NETWORKS Subscriptions \$6286, I STATE TRUCK INC Truck Repairs & Maintenance \$451.29, INTERSTATE OFFICE PR Office Supplies \$451.66, JCL SOLUTIONS Inmate Supplies \$1697.5, JCL SOLUTIONS Kitchen/Cleaning Supplies \$1671.61, JEFFERSON PARTNERS L Transportation \$762.99, KNECHT, ANDREW J Child Defense Attorney \$5313.5, KRUSE LAW OFFICE Attorney Fees \$3397, LAUGHLIN LAW LLC Child Defense Attorney \$3048.8, LIFESCAPE Miscellaneous Expense \$5000, LOGAN DOYLE Sign Deposits \$50, LOPEZ, REBECA Interpreters \$505, LOVING, PHILIP Bd Evaluations (Minnehaha) \$1595.01, LUTHER, JEFF Medical Director \$2750, MARSH & MCLENNAN LLC Notary Exp \$228.75, MIDCONTINENT COMMUNI Amounts Held For Others \$261.95, MIDSTATES UNIFORM & Miscellaneous Expense \$37.6, MINNEHAHA CONSERVATI Miscellaneous Expense \$2040, NICHOLSON LAW Child Defense Attorney \$966, NORTH RIDGE APARTMEN Welfare Rent \$900, NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIP Truck Repairs & Maintenance \$314.9, NOVAK Lease-Rental Agreement \$79.8, NOVAK Office Supplies \$56.44, NOVAK Trash Removal

\$284, NYBERGS ACE HARDWARE Bridge Repair & Maintenance \$62.67, OFFICE DEPOT INC Data Processing Supplies \$81.34, OLSON, ROBERT Taxable Meal Allowances \$18, OTTERPOHL, EMMA Business Travel \$56.28, OVERHEAD DOOR COMPAN Building Repairs & Maintenance \$178.57, PAYTON, ARISTARCHUS Business Travel \$231.82, PHOENIX SUPPLY LLC Child Care Uniforms \$62.7, PRAIRIE WYNN PROPERT Welfare Rent \$700, PRICE, THOMAS L Psych Evals \$6000, RAC RENTALS, LLC Welfare Rent \$1200, RENTOKIL NORTH AMERI Professional Services \$81.88, RICE STREET Welfare Rent \$1267.02, RILEY COWLES Taxable Meal Allowances \$18, RISTY, MAXINE J Court Reporters \$141.65, ROOSEVELT ESTATES OF Welfare Rent \$795, ROSECREST LIMITED PA Welfare Rent \$921, SANFORD CLINIC Contract Services \$30101.46, SANFORD CLINIC Lab Costs \$873, SD HUMAN SERVICES CE Clinics - Auxiliary Services \$32.6, SD PUBLIC ASSURANCE Vehicle Insurance \$1444.61, SENTRY SECURITY FAST Safety & Rescue Equipment \$1450, SIOUX EMPIRE FAIR AS Miscellaneous Expense \$12500, SIOUX FALLS CITY Clinics - Auxiliary Services \$2751.2, SIOUX FALLS CITY Electricity \$8883.77, SIOUX FALLS CITY Miscellaneous Expense \$335396.58, SIOUX FALLS CITY Road Maint & Material \$12.48, SIOUX FALLS CITY Water - Sewer \$15135.01, SIOUX FALLS CITY Welfare Utilities \$445.88, SIOUX FALLS RUBBER S Notary Exp \$24.45, SIOUX FALLS RUBBER S Office Supplies \$66.95, SIOUX FALLS RUBBER S Other Supplies \$36.45, SOUTHEASTERN BEHAVIO Miscellaneous Expense \$49921.25, STATE OF SOUTH DAKOT Amts Held-Daily Scram \$3670, STATE OF SOUTH DAKOT Amts Held-Remote Breath \$832, STATE OF SOUTH DAKOT Notary Exp \$30, STATE OF SOUTH DAKOT Other Supplies \$12.04, STATE OF SOUTH DAKOT Telephone \$65, STREICHERS INC Safety & Rescue Equipment \$329.99, SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE Board Of Prisoners-Meals \$33168.96, SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE Child Care Food \$706.69, SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE Inmate Supplies \$197.2, SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE School Lunch Program \$1603.53, TETONKA LLP Architects & Engineers \$10000, THOMSON REUTERS - WE Legal Research \$1122.76, TRANSOURCE TRUCK & E Truck Repairs & Maintenance \$84.21, TRI-STATE NURSING Professional Services \$3580, TWO WAY SOLUTIONS IN Communication Equipment Repair \$24.75, UNIVERSITY PARK LEGA Professional Services \$3231.25, US FOODS INC Professional Services \$902.27, VANDERHAAGS INC Truck Repairs & Maintenance \$1650, VB FALLS TERRACE Welfare Rent \$1200, XCEL ENERGY Electricity \$28411.39, XCEL ENERGY INC Welfare Utilities \$870.51.

#### January 2025 Commission Salaries

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|---------------------------|----------|----------------|
| COMMISSION                | Salaries | \$42,381.46    |
| AUDITOR                   | Salaries | \$65,068.14    |
| TREASURER                 | Salaries | \$137,802.77   |
| INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY    | Salaries | \$100,932.57   |
| STATES ATTORNEY           | Salaries | \$490,016.92   |
| PUBLIC DEFENDER           | Salaries | \$316,546.75   |
| PUBLIC ADVOCATE           | Salaries | \$91,933.72    |
| FACILITIES                | Salaries | \$67,457.11    |
| EQUALIZATION              | Salaries | \$124,318.22   |
| REGISTER OF DEEDS         | Salaries | \$53,893.77    |
| HUMAN RESOURCES           | Salaries | \$41,438.38    |
| SHERIFF                   | Salaries | \$1,756,288.36 |
| JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER | Salaries | \$249,515.21   |
| HIGHWAY                   | Salaries | \$164,384.40   |
| HUMAN SERVICES            | Salaries | \$176,620.36   |
| MUSEUM                    | Salaries | \$98,524.88    |
| PLANNING                  | Salaries | \$47,656.76    |
| EXTENSION                 | Salaries | \$3,880.00     |

#### Routine Personnel Actions

#### New Hires

1. Sebastian Bastida, Variable Hour Correctional Officer for the 24/7 Program, at \$22.55/hour effective 01/18/2025.

2. Danielle Claypool, Jordan Jakmejian, & Tyler VanMeter, Correctional Officers for the Jail, at \$26.13/hour effective 01/27/2025.

#### Promotions

1. McKenzie Ide, Correctional Officer to Corporal for the Jail, at \$30.26/hour (17/1) effective 02/01/2025.

#### Step Increases

1. Matthew Nunes, Correctional Officer for the Jail, at \$28.82/hour (14/3) effective 01/04/2025.

2. Julie Hofer, Public Advocate for the Public Advocate's Office, at \$6,008.00/biweekly (25/11) effective 12/17/2024.

3. Bert Bucher, Deputy Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, at \$3,777.60/biweekly (22/3) effective 01/08/2025.

4. Bethany Jost, Paralegal for the Public Defender's Office, at \$37.80/hour (16/10) effective 12/30/2024.

5. Leah Bouw, Administrative Secretary for the Sheriff's Office, at \$28.12/hour (10/10) effective 02/10/2025.

6. Kiel Ricci, Sergeant for the Sheriff's Office, at \$42.80/hour (20/7) effective 01/09/2025.

#### Special Personnel Actions

1. To approve a temporary pay adjustment to \$26.13/hour for Holly Even, Senior Accounting Technician for the Treasurer's Office effective 01/18/2025.

#### Abatements Recommended for Approval by the Director of Equalization

Parcel-76743, Haneke Ranch, 2024 Property Taxes, \$2,135.77

Parcel-94669, Ronning Enterprises, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,364.62

Parcel-93231, Ronning Enterprises, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,162.49

Parcel-94657, Ronning Enterprises, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,327.81

Parcel-94659, Ronning Enterprises, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,299.49

Parcel-44091, Megan Farmer-Clark, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,890.85

Parcel-87998, Veteran Exempt PT10-4-40, 2024 Property Taxes, \$326.07

Parcel-23338, Owen & Lois Wiese, 2024 Property Taxes, \$62.17

Parcel-88849, Signature Companies, LLC, 2024 Property Taxes, \$444.62

Parcel-37381, Marty & Jaime Franken, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,005.50

Parcel-60093, Assessment Freeze, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,263.76

Parcel-52491, Assessment Freeze, 2024 Property Taxes, \$1,699.48

#### LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER

Kym Christiansen, Commission Recorder, was present for a public hearing to consider a transfer of Retail (On-Sale) Liquor License. The application is for the transfer of Retail (On-Sale) Liquor License currently held by the Garretson Sportsman's Club. The property is legally described as S1/2 SE1/4 (Ex Tr 1 Laurel Ridge Addn & H-1 & H-2) 23-102-49 Mapleton Township; N1/2 NE1/4 26-102-49 Mapleton Township; SE1/4 NE1/4 26-102-49 Mapleton Township; SW1/4 NE1/4 25-102-49 Mapleton Township and is located at 47991 Slip Up Creek Rd in Sioux Falls. The license will be transferred to Nineteen Flags, LLC. d/b/a Mapleton Golf Club. The license would allow for the sale of liquor to be consumed at their establishment located in Minnehaha County. The application was reviewed by the Sheriff's Office, State's Attorney's Office, and Planning and Zoning and there were no

objections or concerns reported.

Chair Karsky asked for proponents and opponents to speak on the topic. Danny Amundson, proponent, spoke for the timeline for the use of the license if approved as well as the need for the license. There were no opponents to speak on the topic.

MOTION by Beninga, seconded by Kippley, to Approve a Transfer Retail (On-Sale) Liquor License for Nineteen Flags, LLC. By roll call vote: 5 ayes.

## PRESENTATIONS

Staci Jonson, Rachel Shepherd, and Alison Pratt, Lutheran Social Services Family Violence Project, provided an update regarding the Family Violence Project through Lutheran Social Services. The funding received from Minnehaha County provides for individualized assessments, abusive partner intervention groups and case management for individuals that have abuse in their relationships. Our services fall under the pillars of what Lutheran Social Services consider to an effective abusive intervention program: Accountability and Accessibility. The presentation also presented several statistics related to the project for both fiscal year 2024 and the first two quarters of fiscal year 2025.

Lynne Keller Forbes, Southeastern Council of Governments Executive Director, gave a presentation on the Southeastern Council of Governments (SECOG) highlighting the following areas: structure of SECOG, 2024 revenues and dues, project development and funding applications, 2024 funding secured with the assistance of SECOG and return on investment, 2024 funding secured by county and infrastructure return on investment for each county, land use regulations. Finally, the presentation highlighted the coordination of the Metro Planning Organization, Southeastern Development Foundation, and Dakota Business Finance.

## PARTY STATUS APPLICATION

Upon the request of Eric Bogue, Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney, MOTION by Heisey, seconded by Beninga, to Authorize the Chair to Sign an Application for Party Status, HP-24-001, in the Matter of the Application by SCS Carbon Transport LLC for a Permit to Construct a Carbon Dioxide Transmission Pipeline. By roll call vote: 5 ayes.

## AGREEMENT

Jamie Gravett, Juvenile Detention Center Director, requested authorization for the Chair to sign a contract with Guardian RFID for an Inmate Tracking System. The system will track all movements of the youth throughout the facility as well as documenting all safety checks and different activities that the youth are involved in. Guardian RFID is currently being used in the jail. This system will be installed in the facility and will be ready to use when the youth are moved into the new facility. The total cost will be \$33,146.25 and has been placed as an owner cost for the project. MOTION by Kippley, seconded by Bleyenbergh, to Authorize the Chair to Sign a Contract with Guardian RFID for an Inmate Tracking System. 5 ayes.

## JAIL PER DIEM AGREEMENTS

Upon the request of Mike Mattson, Warden, MOTION by Beninga, seconded by Bleyenbergh, to Authorize the Chair to Sign the 2025 Jail Housing Per Diem Contracts with Clay County, Hutchinson County, Jerauld County, Lake County, McCook County, Moody County, and Turner County, which Reflects the 2025 Per Diem Housing Rate of \$112.00 per day. By roll call vote: 5 ayes.

## VEHICLE PURCHASE

Upon the request of Josh Phillips, Captain, MOTION by Beninga, seconded by Heisey, to Authorize the Sheriff's Office to Purchase Three (3) 2024 Ford Escape Vehicles from Sioux Falls Ford with a Price of \$26,694 for One Vehicle, \$24,064 for Another Vehicle, and \$25,099 for an Additional Vehicle for a Total Purchase Price of \$75,857.00. 5 ayes.

## ABATEMENT

Upon the request of Chris Lilla, Director of Equalization, MOTION by Bleyenbergs, seconded by Heisey, to Approve an Abatement Recommended for Denial Parcel 52870 for 2024 Property Taxes \$1,370.82 as the Property was Exempt for 2024 Pay 2025. By roll call vote: 5 ayes.

## POWER OUTAGE RESPONSE PROTOCOL

Upon the request of Meredith Jarchow, Assistant Commission Administrative Officer, MOTION by Kippley, seconded by Heisey, to Adopt Proposed Changes to the Power Outage Response Protocol. By roll call vote: 5 ayes.

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Meredith Jarchow, Assistant Commission Administrative Officer, provided an update for the 2025 Legislative session. Some important dates to note regarding the Legislative session are January 30 which is the last day for unlimited bill and resolution introduction; February 5 which is the last day for introduction of individual bills and resolutions; and February 6 which is the last day for introduction day of committee bills and resolutions. The briefing went on to summarize the legislation that the Commission Office is following. The briefing included information on the following House Bills (HB) 1050, 1073, 1083, 1085, and 1087. HB 1050 would authorize municipalities to impose a new tax to fund capital improvement projects. HB 1073 is an act to allow an individual registering as a voter to designate optional contact information as not for public inspection. HB 1083 would modify the requirements for obtaining an agricultural processor's lien. HB 1085 would establish a moratorium on the construction of carbon dioxide pipelines in this state and to declare an emergency. HB 1087 would authorize the recall of county commissioners. The briefing went on to highlight the following Senate Bills (SB) 75, 84, 85, 89, and 90. SB 75 would require an indication of United States citizenship status on a motor vehicle operator's license or permit. SB 84 would be to extend the timeframe for filing a vacancy on the board of county commissioners. SB 85 would provide property tax relief to certain senior owners of owner-occupied single-family dwellings. SB 89 is an act to repeal the requirement that judicial officers be listed on a separate nonpolitical ballot. SB 90 is an act to clarify provisions regarding tax deeds.

## COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

Commissioner Beninga reported on a recent meeting of the Sioux Empire Fair Board and monthly Elected Official meeting.

Commissioner Kippley reported on the recent meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Commissioner Heisey reported on recent meetings with the County Treasurer and of the Urbanized Development Committee.

Commissioner Bleyenbergs reported on an upcoming Museum Mystery Theater event and Juvenile Justice Center Project meeting.

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Commissioner Karsky reported on the recent Homeless forum as well as a recent Greater Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce board meeting.

MOTION by Kippley, seconded by Bleyenbergh, to Adjourn at 10:10 a.m. 5 ayes.

The Commission adjourned until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 4th, 2025.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

Dean Karsky  
Chair

ATTEST:

Kym Christiansen  
Commission Recorder