

**JANUARY 3, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Auditor Kiepke called the first meeting of 2024 of the Davison County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Members of the Board present were Claggett, Kiner, Reider, Blaalid, Nebelsick. Also present was Auditor Kiepke.

**PLEDGE**

Auditor Kiepke opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ADMINISTER OATHS**

Auditor Kiepke Administered the Oaths of office to Commissioners Claggett, Kiner, Reider, Blaalid and Nebelsick.

**ELECT 2024 CHAIRPERSON**

Auditor Kiepke called for nominations for the 2024 Chairperson of the Davison County Board of Commissioners. Motion by Nebelsick, second by Claggett to nominate Commissioner Reider Chairperson.

Auditor Kiepke called for any additional nominations. There being no further nominations, motion by Nebelsick, second by Blaalid for nominations to cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Commissioner Reider as 2024 Chairperson of the Davison County Board of Commissioners. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**ELECT 2024 VICE-CHAIRPERSON**

Auditor Kiepke called for nominations for the 2024 Vice-Chairperson of the Davison County Board of Commissioners. Motion by Kiner, second by Reider to nominate Commissioner Claggett as Vice-Chairperson.

Auditor Kiepke called for any additional nominations. There being no further nominations, motion by Blaalid, second by Nebelsick for nominations to cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Commissioner Claggett as 2024 Vice-Chairperson of the Davison County Board of Commissioners. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**CHAIRPERSON TAKES OVER MEETING**

Commissioner Reider took over the meeting as Chairperson and continued with the remainder of the day's business.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Claggett, second by Kiner to approve the agenda for the January 3, 2024, meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion by Blaalid, second by Nebelsick to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2023, meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**ADOPT DAVISON COUNTY EMPLOYEE WAGES FOR 2024**

As per SDCL 6-1-10, motion by Kiner, second by Nebelsick to adopt and publish the following wages for fiscal year 2024, which include a 5% increase. A roll call vote was taken as follows. Claggett – aye, Kiner – aye, Nebelsick – aye, Blaalid – aye, Reider - aye. Motion carried.

**Note**

The salary figures do not include longevity that may be due some employees. The salaries of Department Supervisors, Assistant State's Attorney and Corrections Administrator are prorated per the period worked throughout the fiscal year.

**Department Supervisors-Director of Physical Plant** Joel Rang-\$71,422.04; **Director of Equalization** Rachel Weber-\$64,260.00; **Highway Superintendent** Russel Weinberg-\$85,480.02; **Planning & Zoning/Emergency Management Director** Jeff Bathke-\$84,657.03

## **Employees**

**Auditor's Office** – Courtney Bartscher-\$24.15; James Matthews-\$23.03; Karen Knadle-\$32.15

**Treasurer's Office** – Tonya Ford-\$24.41; Kimberly Beltran-\$21.40; Kristine Norwick-\$21.40

**States Attorney** – Robert O'Keefe-\$92,379.27; Alicia Odland-\$78,663.31; Katie Buschbach-\$29.57; Jill Lux-\$26.28; Angie Larson-\$22.31

**Maintenance Department** – Jason Kulm-\$20.99; George Stahl-\$20.48; Warren Clark-\$20.48; Robert Faas-\$23.03; Leonda Doering-\$20.97

**Director of Equalization** – Crystal Longhenry-\$23.55; Jared Olsen-\$23.55; Jason Raymond-\$20.48; Shawna Tsinnie-\$20.48; April Vennard-\$22.07; Carla Wittstruck-\$23.10

**Register of Deeds** – Danna Kolbeck-\$24.41; Bridgette Nelson-\$22.64; Jennifer Froning-\$19.33; Darlene Bailey-\$26.23

**Veteran's Service Officer** – T.J. Thomas-\$26.25; Courtney Ditter-\$24.68; Timothy Storly-\$23.10

**Human Resources** – Tonya Meaney-\$30.16

**Highway Department** – Andrea Horton-\$23.19; Tyler Decker-\$23.03; Kevin Geidel-\$28.63; Steven Groseth-\$29.94; Chad Holmberg-\$21.00; Tyler Page-\$23.03; Rueben Sonne-\$26.70; Jack Sorenson-\$23.03; Randy Strong-\$29.32; Clayton Wells-\$26.37; Scott Wengler-\$23.03; Gerald Koch-\$19.33

**County Health Nurse** – Angela Seitz-\$21.54

**WIC** – Kristi Juracek-\$20.83

**4-H Youth Advisor Assistant** – Hanna Peterson-\$19.33

**Planning & Zoning/Emergency Management** – Karen Wegleitner-\$26.70

**Sheriff's Office** – Tim Reitzel-\$75,075.00; Tyler Bier-\$26.32; Kyle Bice-\$26.37; Dawn Grissom-\$26.03; Trestin Jerke-\$26.37; Kohl Oster-\$25.08; Grace Murphy-\$26.19; Jacob Verry-\$27.22 **Part Time** – Linda Aldrich-\$23.47; Steve Brink-\$27.27; Greg Nelson-\$22.22; Darrell O'Conner-\$25.61

**24/7** – Trina Frey-\$22.98

**Jail** – Grant Lanning-\$71,662.50; Debbie Vaughn-\$63,000.00; Jane Kingsbury-\$30.84; Ginger Faas-\$29.38; Amber Baysinger-\$21.33; Marcus Bruce-\$23.03; Lance Bryant-\$23.03; Timothy Carson-\$25.71; Brett Costello-\$23.03; Tucker Crain-\$21.33; Christine Diede-\$23.03; Jenna Drott-\$21.33; Bronc Dykstra-\$22.98; Carson Gohl-\$21.33; Jessica King-\$24.41; Clay Loneman-\$21.85; Desirae Martindale-\$21.33; Brad Pfeifle-\$21.85; Janelle Phillips-\$27.59; Keagen Schoenfelder-\$21.85; Ashley Schulz-\$24.41; Sarette Smit-\$21.33; Samantha Stiles-\$21.85; Curtis Talley-\$21.85; Marlyn Tollefson-\$24.41 **Part Time** – Allyson Feterl-\$21.33; Christian Hanna-\$21.33; Matthew Huber-\$23.03; Nathan Newton-\$23.03; Todd Obele-\$21.33; Darrell O'Connor-\$21.85; Abby Perez-\$23.03; Carver Steffes-\$21.33; Tyler Torres-\$23.03; Cristal Villalvazo-\$23.03; Mark Zard-\$23.03

## **ADOPT RESOLUTION TO SET ELECTED OFFICIALS WAGES FOR 2024**

Motion by Blaalid, second by Claggett to adopt the following resolution, which approves a 5% increase for elected official's wages for 2024. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Kiner – aye, Claggett – aye, Blaalid – aye, Nebelsick – aye, Reider – aye. Motion carried.

### **Resolution #010324-01 Set Elected Officials Wages**

**WHEREAS**, SDCL 7-7-9.1 states that the board of county commissioners shall establish, by resolution, the salary payable to the county treasurer, county auditor, and county register of deeds. The salary payable may not be less than \$35,952 based upon the salary schedule which is based upon the most recent decennial federal census of population for counties; and

**WHEREAS**, SDCL 7-7-12 states that the board of county commissioners shall establish, by resolution, the salary payable to the state’s attorney. The salary payable may not be less than \$71,534 based upon the fact that the commissioners have designated the position of state’s attorney as full time; and

**WHEREAS**, SDCL 7-12-15 states that the board of county commissioners shall establish, by resolution, the salary of the sheriff. The salary payable may not be less than \$46,110 based upon the salary schedule which is based upon the most recent decennial federal census of population for counties. The sheriff will also receive an additional 10% added to the \$46,110 for managing a full-time jail; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of county commissioners may not decrease the salary of the county treasurer, county auditor, county register of deeds, county state’s attorney or county sheriff during consecutive terms of office of the county treasurer, county auditor, county register of deeds, county state’s attorney or county sheriff.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that elected official’s salaries for 2024 shall be set as follows; auditor - \$77,459.04, treasurer - \$65,902.64, register of deeds – \$76,481.79, state’s attorney - \$112,237.34 and sheriff - \$88,355.61. These salaries are not inclusive of longevity pay that may be due some of these officials.

Dated at Mitchell, South Dakota, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2024.

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Randy Reider, Chairperson  
Davison County Commission

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Susan Kiepke, Auditor

**APPROVE CONTRACT INCREASE**

At the request of States Attorney Miskimins, motion by Claggett, second by Nebelsick to increase the contract for James Taylor P.C. firm, which is equivalent to one part-time Deputy States Attorney, at the same rate as County employees, which is 5%, making the contract amount for 2024, \$58,552.08. A roll call vote was taken as follows. Nebelsick – aye, Claggett – aye, Kiner – aye, Balaalid – aye, Reider - aye. Motion carried.

**ADOPT RESOLUTION TO SET COUNTY COMMISSIONER WAGES FOR 2024**

Motion by Balaalid second by Kiner to adopt the following resolution which approves a 5% wage increase for the Davison County Commissioners for 2024, with an extra \$2,900.00 paid to the chairperson. A roll call vote was taken as follows. Balaalid - nay, Kiner – aye, Nebelsick - aye, Claggett – nay, Reider - aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution #010324-02  
Set Commissioner Wages**

**WHEREAS**, SDCL 7-7-3 states that the method of payment, whether per diem or salary, and the amount of per diem or salary shall be determined by the board of county commissioners in each county. If the per diem method is used, the county commissioners shall be allowed the per diem amount for each day they are actually and necessarily employed in the duties and business relating to county affairs and the duties of their office and in attending and returning from sessions of the board. The county commissioners shall be allowed mileage for the distance actually traveled in attending the meetings of the board, or when engaged in other official duties. The per diem shall be paid out of the general county fund. The per diem shall be set by the commission on the first regular meeting date in January of each year; and

**WHEREAS**, SDCL 7-7-5 states that the board of county commissioners may determine the salary of the commissioners. Such salary may be set by the board of county commissioners at its first regular meeting of each year. If the board of county commissioners fails to determine a salary, then the salary of a county commissioner in any one year is six thousand five hundred sixty-six dollars as per diem or salary in counties of fifteen thousand population and over and not more than thirty thousand population.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Davison County Commissioners salaries will be set at \$19,975.14 for the year 2024, with the chairperson receiving \$2,900 more than the other four commissioners.

Dated at Mitchell, South Dakota, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

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Susan Kiepke, Auditor

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Randy Reider, Chairperson

**SET RATES FOR 2024**

Motion by Bhaalid, second by Claggett to approve the following rates for 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Meal Rates

Effective July 29, 2003: Due to an IRS compliance check, meal expenses are not an allowable business expense unless the business trip is over-night or long enough that the employee would need to stop for sleep or rest to properly perform his/her duties.

Allowable meal expenses will be paid at the following rate, with the exception of those set by resolution, which is the same as the state rate:

	In state rate:	Out of state rate:
Breakfast	\$6.00	\$10.00
Lunch	\$14.00	\$18.00
Supper	\$20.00	\$28.00

See Davison County Employee Resource Manual Section 5.2, for full travel policy.

Travel Rates:

Mileage: .51 cents per mile for county employees and elected officials  
.56 cents per mile for Sheriff's Civil mileage

Lodging: Single rate shall be at the going market rate for reasonable accommodations, not to exceed the lowest rate available for that lodging facility. County employees shall ask for "State Discount and Rates" when registering. County employees are asked to use the County vehicle when available.

Mental Illness Board

Mental Illness Board \$40.00 per meeting  
Mental Illness Chairperson \$115.00 per hour (2024 rate)

Election Lists

The counties will no longer receive the money for these printouts. It will go to the state to maintain the Total Vote system.

Director of Equalization, Auditor, Sheriff & Register of Deeds unrecorded copy rates

Copier Studio 25

8 1/2 x 11	.50 cents per copy per side
8 1/2 x 14	.50 cents per copy per side
11 x 17	1.00 cents per copy per side

\$3.00 per page for a page larger than 11" by 17", or the actual cost of reproduction, whichever is larger.

For the reproduction of records not stored in either an electronic or a paper format, such as micro-film, the custodian may charge an additional fee not greater than the actual cost of retrieval from that format.

GIS or Pictometry

8 1/2 x 11 and x 14 Black & White	1.00 per copy
8 1/2 x 11 and x 14 Color	2.00 per copy

Computer Print-outs

8 1/2 x 11 and 11 x 14	.50 cents per page
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\$28.00 per request for tax splits requested for closings

For projects taking more than an hour, staff time could be required to be applicably charged. The fee may not exceed the average cost of the staff involved in the location, assembly or reproduction of the request.

For mailings, a charge of .25 cents per copy plus a \$2.00 postage & handling fee up to 4 pages. Five or more pages would include added postage.

E-mail Charges

\$.50 per standard property card to be emailed and more for larger documents with the price to be adjusted according to the employee time/equipment cost basis.

Register of Deeds Recorded/Filed Real Estate, Burial Permit and Vital Record Fees set by State Statute

LICENSED ABTRACTOR FEES

Please note that a resolution #81115-01 was passed August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to set fees for licensed abstractors for the Register of Deeds office.

Building Permits

<u>Project</u>	<u>Price/SF</u>	<u>Factor</u>
One story house/addition w basement	\$55.00	0.005
One story house/addition without basement	\$42.00	0.005
Two story house/addition w basement, per floor	\$44.00	0.005
Two story house/addition without basement, per floor	\$38.00	0.005
Garage	\$20.00	0.005
Manufactured home	\$28.00	0.005
Basement	\$13.00	0.005
Deck/Covered Porch	\$10.00	0.005
Pole building	\$10.00	0.005
Frame barn w pit	\$20.00	0.005
Frame building	\$18.00	0.005
All steel machine shed	\$25.00	0.005
Concrete or block building	\$20.00	0.005
Remodel/Finish Basement/Change of use	\$10.00	0.005
Pool	\$55.00	0.005
Grain bin/Silo	\$1.00 per bushel	0.005
Tank	\$1.00 per gallon	0.005
Sign/Billboard		\$300 Flat Fee
Grain Leg		\$200 Flat Fee
Structures Not Listed (\$100 minimum)		\$1 per \$1,000 valuation

**Example**

1,600 SF home with basement x \$55 x .005=	\$440.00
1,000 SF Garage x \$17 x .005=	\$82.50
1,000 SF Deck x \$9 x .005 =	\$44.00

Total Per Fee \$566.50

Other Fees

Minimum Fee	\$150.00
Variance (may include postage)	\$150.00
Plat Consideration Fee	\$100.00
Conditional Use (may include postage)	\$150.00
Special Meetings	\$500.00
Re-Zone (may include postage)	\$200.00
Driveway Approach	See the HWY Department

911 Address Signs

Sheet Blank (18x6)	\$9.53
5 Numbers	\$4.60
7' Delineator Post	\$7.53
Bolts/Nuts	\$3.00
Labor to create sign	\$17.34
<b>Total Sign Fee:</b>	<b>\$42.00</b>

Drainage

Routine Maintenance Application	\$25.00
Administratively Approved Drainage Permit (tile or ditch)	\$100.00
Permit Requiring Drainage Commission Hearing (plus postage)	\$100.00
Work commenced w/o permit*	\$500.00
*In addition to any required permit fees (plus postage)	
Drainage map w tile lines	\$25.00
Filing fee for a Record of Drain document w/Reg of Deeds	\$30.00

\*\* As of January 1, 2023 – All fees are non-refundable

**APPROVE 2024 DIGITAL DATA POLICY**

Motion by Kiner, second by Nebelsick to approve the 2024 Digital Data Policy. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**2024 Department of Equalization Data Policy**

Assessed value and physical attributes may be viewed per parcel at no charge on the District III website for Davison County at <https://gis.districtiii.org/davison/>.

The following information is compiled in August each year. All information such as name and address changes will be through the date the report is compiled.

- Parcel number
- Owner name and address
- Property address
- Legal description
- Assessed values
- Exemption amounts
- Land and Building classification codes

Delivery option will be a PDF or Excel Document at a cost of \$20.00 plus applicable tax or a CD at a cost of \$25.00 plus applicable tax.

The party requesting the data would be responsible for the correct interpretation of all data received from Davison County. Technical assistance will not be provided.

Full payment for the PDF file will be required, prior to Davison County's release of the information. After payment is received, the PDF file will be forwarded to the recipient as soon as reasonable.

Neither Davison County nor any employee will be responsible for any data deemed inaccurate or incomplete, Davison County hereby disclaims any and all liability or responsibility for any damage, injury, loss, claim or lawsuit arising from any error inaccuracy or other problem with the data.

The best time to request data to get values that have been finalized is the month of August.

No sketches or property photos are currently available digitally.

Davison County Equalization Office hours are Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. central time. If your preference is to view the documents or to scan/copy, using your own equipment you may do so at no charge.

For information requiring manual copies, copied by Equalization staff, there is a per page fee (adopted by the Commissioners) plus the applicable sales tax. If the time needed to produce the manual copies exceeds one hour, there is an additional fee of \$25.00 per hour.

**ADOPT RESOLUTION FOR ELECTION WORKERS**

Motion by Nebelsick, second by Claggett to adopt the following resolution concerning election workers compensation. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Kiner – aye, Nebelsick – aye, Blaaid – aye, Claggett – aye, Reider - aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #010324-03**

**WHEREAS**, SDCL 12-15-11 states that each precinct superintendent and precinct deputy shall receive a fee to be established annually by resolution of the board of county commissioners at its first regular meeting each year. The person delivering the poll books and ballot boxes to the proper authority at the county seat shall receive the county rate for mileage as established pursuant to SDCL 7-7-24, for miles necessarily traveled in going to and returning from making the delivery.

**WHEREAS**, SDCL 12-15-1.3 states that in addition to the precinct election board, the person in charge of the election may appoint a person to be designated as the precinct assistant. The precinct assistant may not perform any of the duties of the precinct superintendent or precinct deputies unless specified by statute. The precinct assistant may assist with setting up the polling place, directing voters to the proper election board, and providing instruction on the use of the electronic ballot marking system.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the following rates will be paid to election workers:

Elections

Attendance at election school(s)	\$50.00 per person
Election Board/Master Book Workers	\$280.00 per day
Absentee Board (same as regular Board for full day)	\$120.00 per 1/2 day
Precinct Assistant	\$20.00 per hour
Resolution Board	\$25.00 per hour
Post Election Audit Board	\$20.00 per hour
Board Superintendents	\$25.00 additional for day of election
Ballot Box Carriers election night (2)	\$20.00
The State rate will be paid for applicable mileage (currently \$.51).	

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

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Susan Kiepke, Auditor

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Randy Reider, Chairperson

**DESIGNATE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR 2024**

Pursuant to SDCL 7-18-3, motion by Nebelsick, second by Blaaid to designate the Mitchell Republic as the official newspaper of the County. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## 2024 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Blaalid, second by Claggett to approve the following Committee Appointments for 2024 with names subject to change upon personnel approval. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Emergency Management / 911:** Kiner

**Insurance Committee:** Reider, Blaalid, Susan Kiepke, Tonya Meaney, Karen Wegleitner, Dawn Grissom, David Beintema

**Risk Management Committee:** Claggett, Tonya Meaney, Karen Wegleitner, Grant Lanning, TJ Thomas, Tim Reitzel, David Beintema, Joel Rang, Andrea Horton

**District III:** Claggett

**Joint Davison/Hanson Extension Board:** Blaalid, Nebelsick, Becky Muhs, Garry Freier

**Alcohol Center & Mental Health Board:** Kiner, Blaalid, Sheriff Harr, Randy Stiles

**Fairground Board:** Nebelsick, Blaalid, George Breidenbach, Brad Greenway, Mary Froning, Ben Roudabush, Jim Morken, Barb Weber, Robby Faas, Joel Rang, Tonya Ford

**Intergovernmental Relations:** Claggett, Blaalid, Susan Kiepke

**Union Negotiations Committee:** Kiner, Blaalid, Tonya Meaney

**County Coroner:** Bart Fredericksen, Bittner Funeral Home

**Deputy Coroner:** Luke Mauer, Charlie Ibis, Steve Harr

**Legislative Contact Persons:** Commissioners Claggett, Kiner, Blaalid, Nebelsick and Reider

**Serviceman's Memorial Cemetery Board:** Reider, Kiner

**County Doctor (Jail):** Mitchell Clinic

**Personnel Policy Review Committee:** Kiner, Reider, Tonya Meaney, David Beintema, Dawn Grissom, Debbie Vaughn, Susan Kiepke, Jeff Bathke, Assistant State's Attorney Taylor

**Highway Board:** Commissioners Claggett, Kiner, Blaalid, Nebelsick and Reider and one member of each Township Board as liaison

**Landfill Board:** Blaalid

**Library Board:** Blaalid

**Planning & Zoning Commission:** Steve Thiesse term expiring December 31, 2026; Blaalid term expiring December 31, 2024; David Anderson term expiring December 31, 2024; Lewis Bainbridge term expiring December 31, 2024; Nebelsick term expiring December 31, 2024; Ray Gosmire term expiring December 31, 2024; Bruce Haines term expiring December 31, 2026

**Board of Adjustment:** Reider, Blaalid, Nebelsick, Kiner, Claggett, open, open

**Weed Board:** Nebelsick, Tyler Page, Terry Nutter term ending December 31, 2025; Russ McCormick, James Miiller and Kevin Deinert terms ending December 31, 2027; Brian Bode term ending December 31, 2024

**MRC Nomination:** Claggett term ending December 31, 2025 with Kiner as alternate



**LEPC Representative:** Kiner, Jeff Bathke, Karen Wegleitner, Adam Frerichs, Mark Jenniges, Skyler Kehn, Branden Wingert, Steve Harr, Tim Reitzel, Ruth Ragels, Mike Koster, Marius Laursen, Shannon Sandoval, Dave Kluth, Gregg Thibodeau, Michelle Carpenter, Roswitha Konz, Dan Pollreisz, Isaak Goldammer, Peter Mirkovic, Jenna Auch, Bob Everson, Susan Kiepke, Becky Pitz, Kacee Ehler, Jackie Horton, Captain Rod Morin, Captain Amber Morin, Adam Kjerstad, Andy Mentele, Dan Muck, John Sieverding, Stephanie Ellwein, Dave Duba, Ryan Stahl, J.P. Skelly, Randy Pratt, Rusty Weinberg, Dave Beintema, Micheal Peterson, Dawn Niehoff, Robert Reuland, Dean Knippling, Andrew Miller, Joe Schroeder

**James River Water Development Representative:** Blaalid, Nebelsick

**Soil Conservation Committee:** Kiner

**Liaison Assignments:** Claggett – States Attorney, Treasurer, Welfare, Maintenance; Kiner – Emergency Mgmt/Planning & Zoning, Highway; Blaalid – Auditor, Register of Deeds, Veteran’s Service Officer, Human Resources, Extension/Fairgrounds; Reider – Nurse, Sheriff, Jail, Diversion Coordinator; Nebelsick – Director of Equalization, Weed

**Drainage Board:** Kiner term expiring December 31, 2027, Nebelsick term expiring December 31, 2024; Mark Klumb term expiring December 31, 2027; Gregg Bult term expiring December 31, 2027; Chet Edinger term expiring December 31, 2024; Jerry Buchholz term expiring December 31, 2027; Jay Larson term expiring December 31, 2024. Ex-Officio members Director of Equalization Weber, Highway Superintendent Weinberg, Planning & Zoning Administrator Bathke and Auditor Kiepke

**TECH Committee:** Claggett, Susan Kiepke, Danna Kolbeck, Jeff Bathke, Grant Lanning, Jim Matthews and a representative of Tech Solutions

**Space Committee:** Blaalid, Reider, Susan Kiepke, Joel Rang

**Web Site Committee:** Danna Kolbeck, Jeff Bathke, Dave Beintema, Jim Matthews and a representative of Tech Solutions

**Bldg Maint/Purchasing and Projects Committee:** All Commissioners, Jeff Bathke, Rusty Weinberg, Joel Rang, Susan Kiepke

**Wage & Benefits Committee:** Blaalid, Reider, Jeff Bathke, Grant Lanning, Susan Kiepke, Tonya Meaney

**Wellness Committee:** Reider, Tonya Meaney, David Beintema, Susan Kiepke

**Search and Rescue:** Confidential – On file in the Auditor’s office for insurance purposes

## **APPROVE COUNTY DEPOSITORIES/INVESTMENT POLICY**

Motion by Blaalid, second by Claggett to approve the following depositories/investment policy for Davison County for 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**County Depositories:** Wells Fargo Bank, First National Bank of SD, Great Western, First Dakota National Bank, CorTrust Bank, Edward Jones, Stifel Nicolaus and Co Inc, BankWest, Farmers State Bank, Palace City Federal Credit Union, US Bank, Dakotaland Federal Credit Union, Plains Commerce

### **Davison County, South Dakota Investment Policy**

#### **1. SCOPE**

This Policy applies to the investment of all funds of Davison County, South Dakota. Longer-term funds, including investments of employees’ retirement funds and proceeds from certain bond issues, are covered by a separate policy. Except for funds held in trust or special funds that are otherwise specifically provided for, Davison County will consolidate the balances from all funds to maximize investment earnings and meet the liquidity requirements of Davison County subject to the primary objective of providing security of principal. Investment income will be allocated to the various

funds based on their respective participation of capital in the overall portfolio in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

All references in this Investment Policy to "financial institutions" is intended to include both state and federal banks, credit union, and broker/dealers."

## **2. POLICY**

Pursuant to SDCL 4-5-8 it is the policy of Davison County to invest idle public funds in a manner to meet the daily cash flow demands of the County with the primary objectives, in priority order, being a) Safety of Principal b) Liquidity and c) Return on Investments.

### **A) Safety of Principal**

Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments shall be undertaken in a manner that seeks to ensure the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio. The objective will be to mitigate the following risks.

#### **a. Credit Risk**

The County will minimize credit risk, which is the risk of loss due to the failure of the investment issuer or backer, by limiting the portfolio to the types of investments listed in section 5. Authorized and Suitable Investments of this Policy and diversifying the investment portfolio to diminish the impact of potential losses from any one type of investment or from any one individual issuer.

#### **b. Interest Rate Risk**

The County will minimize interest rate risk, which is the risk that the market value of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in market interest rates, by structuring the portfolio to meet the cash requirements of ongoing operations, thereby mitigating the need to liquidate securities at a loss prior to maturity.

#### **c. Concentration Risk**

The County will minimize Concentration of Credit Risk, which is the risk of loss due to having a significant portion of resources invested in a single issuer, by diversifying the investment portfolio as described in section 9. Diversification so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or issuer will be minimized. Investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government and investments in mutual funds, external investment pools, and other pooled investments are excluded from this requirement.

#### **d. Custodial Credit Risk**

The County will minimize Custodial Credit Risk for deposits, which is the risk that in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution the deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party would not be able to be recovered, as addressed in section 6. Collateralization.

The County will minimize Custodial Credit Risk for investments, which is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction the value or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party would not be able to be recovered, as addressed in section 10. Safekeeping and Custody.

### **B) Liquidity**

The investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that may be reasonably anticipated.

### **C) Return**

The investment portfolio shall be designed with the objective of attaining a market rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles, taking into account the investment risk constraints and liquidity needs. Return on investment is of secondary importance compared to the safety and liquidity objectives described above. The core investments are limited to relatively low risk securities in anticipation of earning a fair return relative to the risk being assumed.

### **3. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

Authority to manage the investment program is granted to the Treasurer who shall refrain from personal business activity that could impair his/her ability to make impartial decisions. The Treasurer acting in accordance with written procedures and this investment policy and exercising due diligence shall be relieved of personal responsibility for an individual security's credit risk or market price changes, provided deviations from expectations are reported in a timely fashion and the liquidity and the sale of securities are carried out in accordance with the terms of this policy.

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived.

In case of extended leave of absence, the Governing Board shall appoint a replacement Officer.

### **4. AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL DEALER AND INSTITUTIONS**

All financial institution and broker/dealers who desire to become qualified for investment transactions must supply the following as appropriate:

- Audited financial statements demonstrating compliance with state and federal capital adequacy guidelines.
- Certification of having read and understood and agreeing to comply with this investment policy.

The Governing Board authorizes the placement of cash resources in the following financial institutions:

• Bank West	2100 Highland Way	Mitchell SD
• Great Western Bank	714 S Burr St	Mitchell SD
• Farmers State Bank	115 E Havens St	Mitchell SD
• First Dakota National Bank	500 E Norway St	Mitchell SD
• First National Bank SD	210 N Lawler St	Mitchell SD
• Stifel Nicolaus	2605 N Main St	Mitchell SD
• Edward Jones	115 W 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Mitchell SD
• Palace City FCU	720 W Havens Ave	Mitchell SD
• Wells Fargo	403 N Lawler St	Mitchell SD
• US Bank	1421 N Main St	Mitchell SD
• CorTrust Bank	719 N Main St	Mitchell SD
• Dakotaland FCU	301 S Ohlman Ste 1	Mitchell SD
• Plains Commerce Bank	1200 S Burr St. Ste B	Mitchell SD

### **5. AUTHORIZATION AND SUITABLE INVESTMENTS**

Davison County is empowered by statute to invest in the following types of securities:

- Interest bearing checking accounts
- Savings accounts
- United States Treasury bills, bonds and notes (SDCL 4-5-6)
- United States Government Agencies (SDCL 4-5-6)  
Securities issued by government-sponsored enterprises (GSE's) or federally related institutions that are guaranteed directly or indirectly by the US Government. Securities issued by the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA or Ginnie Mae) are an example of securities directly guaranteed by the government. Securities issued by other GSEs may be allowable.
- Certificates of Deposit (CD's) (SDCL 7-20)\*
- Certificates of Deposit (CDs) purchased through CDARS® (Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service) (SDCL 4-5-6.1)\*

- Money Market Mutual Funds – open-end, no-load (SDCL 4-5-6)  
Mutual and money market funds that invest in US Treasury securities or securities issued by GSEs or federally related institutions that are guaranteed directly or indirectly by the US Government.
- Repurchase Agreements fully collateralized by allowable securities (SDCL 4-5-6)
- Investments in direct obligations of counties, municipalities and school districts or in bonds issued by state authorities pursuant to the conditions listed in SDCL 4-5-6.2
- Local Government Investment Pool (SD FIT)

\*When investing in Certificates of Deposit (CDs) public funds will be invested at the highest rate of interest possible after attempting to secure three (3) quotes.

The above listed authorized deposits will be kept in financial institutions in South Dakota as required by SDCL 7-20-1.

The county treasurer shall deposit and at all times keep on deposit the money in his/her possession as county treasurer in state or national financial institutions within the county. In the event that such deposits exceed the limit prescribed in § 7-20-10 or if there is but one financial institution located within the county then such deposits may be made in other financial institutions or branch financial institutions within an adjacent county of this state having an approved and responsible financial standing. (SDCL 7-20-1)

## 6. COLLATERALIZATION

In accordance with the SDCL 4-6A and 51A-10-9 Qualified Public Depositories will furnish collateral in the sum equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the public deposit accounts that exceed deposit insurance. The financial institution shall submit a copy of their collateralization report to the Treasurer.

SDCL 4-6A-3 requires that collateral be segregated by each depository in such manner as approved by the South Dakota Public Deposit Protection Commission. Collateral may not be held in any safety deposit vault owned or controlled either directly or indirectly by the pledging financial institution but must be deposited for safekeeping in a financial institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve.

## 7. REPORTING

The Treasurer shall prepare an investment report not less than quarterly, that provides a clear picture of the status of the current investment. The report will include the following: (Pie or Bar Chart)

- Percent invested in each security type (CD, US Treasury, money market funds, etc).
- Listing of investments by maturity date.
- Percent held by each financial institution.

## 8. INTEREST EARNED

The interest from investments shall be credited to the respective fund, except Agency funds, (SDCL 4-5-9)

## 9. DIVERSIFICATION

It is the policy of Davison County to reduce overall risks while attaining average market rates of return by diversifying its investments.

- No more than 60 % of the investable funds shall be placed in any one financial institution.
- No more than 60% of the investable funds shall be placed in any one type of investment or issuer.
- Investment maturities will be staggered in such a manner that all investments will not come due at the same time. Unless matched with specific cash flow, the County will not directly invest in securities maturing more than 2 years from the date of purchase.
- At least 10 % of the investable funds shall be accessible for use by the County in one day's notice.

## 10. SAFEKEEPING AND CUSTODY

### Delivery vs. Payment

All trades of marketable securities will be executed by delivery vs. payment (DVP) to ensure that securities are deposited in an eligible financial institution prior to the release of funds.

### Safekeeping

Securities will be held by a (centralized) independent third-party custodian selected by the County as evidenced by safekeeping receipts in the County’s name as per SDCL 4-5-9. The safekeeping institution shall annually provide a copy of their most recent report on internal controls (SAS 70).

**Internal Controls**

The County Treasurer shall establish a system of internal controls, which shall be documented in writing. The internal controls shall be reviewed by the governing board. The controls shall be designed to prevent the loss of public funds arising from fraud, employee error, misrepresentation by third parties, unanticipated changes in financial markets, or imprudent actions by employees and officers of the entity.

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Randy Reider, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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David Beintema, Treasurer

**SET RATES FOR 2024 WELFARE ASSISTANCE**

Motion by Bhaalid, second by Claggett to approve the following Housing Allowance and Utility assistance for Davison County Welfare. Recipients may only receive housing allowance once per calendar year and utility allowance once per calendar year. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Housing Allowance for Davison County**

The maximum annual shelter supplement, per household shall not exceed the following, excluding utilities:

1	person household	\$300.00
2-3	person household	\$400.00
4-5	person household	\$475.00
6 +	person household	\$550.00

\* Household assistance will be approved for the current month of application with an eviction notice \*

**Utilities**

1	person household	\$250.00
2-3	person household	\$300.00
4-5	person household	\$325.00
6 +	person household	\$375.00

Applicants must check with ROCS, Energy Assistance, Salvation Army, and any other applicable resources before County assistance will be considered.

Emergency assistance will be granted once within a twelve (12) month period.

**ADOPT TRAVEL RESOLUTION**

Motion by Bhaalid, second by Kiner to adopt the following resolution to approve regularly scheduled travel for 2024. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Kiner – aye, Nebelsick - aye, Claggett – aye, Bhaalid – aye, Reider - aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution #011023-04  
Resolution to Approve  
Regularly Scheduled Travel**

**Whereas**, SDCL 7-7-25 states that county commissioners, county highway superintendents, county auditors, county treasurers, registers of deeds, state’s attorneys, sheriffs, county assessing officers, and county coroner’s are

hereby authorized to attend educational conferences, meetings, and conventions held and conducted within or without the State of South Dakota pertaining to the betterment and advancement of county government as authorized by resolution of the board of county commissioners; and

**Whereas**, the County Auditor has compiled a list of regularly attended meetings based on the information given to her by request from the aforementioned department heads, in addition to other department heads that have regular meetings they must attend each year; and

**Whereas**, SDCL 7-7-26 states that no charge for expenses in attending any such meetings shall be a charge against the county unless authorized and approved by the county commissioners prior to convening of any such meeting. Upon the actual attendance at such meetings, conferences, or conventions, all county officers as designated in 7-7-25 shall be paid their actual necessary expenses on duly executed vouchers submitted to the board.

**Now, therefore be it resolved**, that the following meetings are approved for travel, meals and lodging for the year 2022. SDACC Spring Workshop to be attended by Commissioners; SDACO Spring Workshop to be attended by Auditor, Treasurer and Register of Deeds; County Fall Convention to be attended by Auditor, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Commissioners, Highway Superintendent, Human Resources Director and Welfare Intake Administrative Assistant; Southeast Central District meetings to be attended by Auditor, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Commissioners, Planning & Zoning Administrator and Deputy, Highway Superintendent and Bookkeepers and Assessors; County Day at the Legislature to be attended by Commissioners, Auditor, Treasurer and Register of Deeds; Legislative Sessions to be attended by Commissioners, Auditor, Treasurer, Register of Deeds or any other official called to testify; Annual Report Workshop and Election Workshop to be attended by Auditor and deputies; SDACO Executive Board meetings and anything related, NACO Executive Board meetings and anything related, SDML Workers Compensation Board meetings and anything related to be attended by Auditor; Passport training and Motor Vehicle training to be attended by Treasurer and deputies; Newly Elected Officials Workshop and Deputy Workshop to be attended by Elected officials and Deputies from the Auditor's, Treasurer's and ROD offices; Trimin User Group meeting to be attended by ROD staff; Assessors Annual Conference, Assessors School and SDAAO District 4 meetings, OHE, Dept of Revenue Workshops, Sales Ratio Workshop, USPAP and Vangaurd user meetings to be attended by Assessors staff; SD Planners Assoc. Conference, Pictometry Workshops and Code Enforcement Training, Dakota Rural Action Conference and Demography Conference to be attended by Planning & Zoning Administrator and/or deputy and several planning board members; Short Course, Region 8 Road Safety Convention, Asphalt Conference, Towns and Twps meeting and LTap meetings to be attended by Highway Superintendent; State Weed & Pest Conference, District Weed and Pest Conference and District Weed meeting to be attended by Weed Supervisor; States Attorney's Conference to be attended by State's Attorney and several deputies; JDAI System Assessment meeting to be attended by JDAI Coordinator; Electrical Code Class to be attended by applicable maintenance staff; Annual Welfare Spring Workshop and Welfare Regional meetings to be attended by Welfare Intake Administrative Assistant; SDOVA Conference to be attended by VSO Directors; HR School, WIN Workforce Summit, SHRM conference, SHRM workshop and SDML Annual Conference to be attended by HR Director; /Department of Health clerical training to be attended by WIC clerical staff from the County Health Nurse's office; Emergency Management Continuing Education Courses, Region 6 quarterly Emergency Management meetings, Homeland Security Conference, Tri-State Emergency Management meetings, ICS Courses, National Weather Service Trainings, HAZMAT/Railroad Safety Training, Floodplain Mgmt Course and SD Emergency Management Conference to be attended by Emergency Management Director and/or deputy; SD Sheriff's Assoc. Spring and Fall Conference, LLRMI Conference, Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center Conference to be attended by Sheriff, Chief Deputy and Jail Administrator (possibly other staff if there is pertinent training); Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement Training to be attended by Sheriff's deputies; Taser Instructor Re-Certification to be attended by Jail Administrator; SD Sex Offender Conference to be attended by Sheriff and staff; Defensive Tactics Instructor Re-Certification to be attended by 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy Sheriff; SD Atty General 24/7 Conference, SD Corrections Association Spring and Fall Conference and Basic Jail Officer Course to be attended by select jail and or 24/7 staff; Safety Conference to be attended by members of the Safety Committee; District III meetings to be attended by commissioners, department heads and Acting Planning & Zoning Administrator.

**Be it further resolved**, that as per SDCL 7-7-26 that the County Auditor, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, State's Attorney, Sheriff, County Assessing Officer and County Coroner be reimbursed actual necessary expenses with the exception of mileage which will be paid at the state rate.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

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Susan Kiepke, Auditor

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Randy Reider, Chairperson

## **APPROVE EMPLOYEE STATUS CHANGES**

Motion by Claggett, second by Balaalid to approve the reclassification of VSO Benefits Officer Courtney Ditter from full-time to part-time effective January 6, 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Balaalid, second by Nebelsick to approve the reclassification of VSO Benefits Officer Tim Storly from part-time to full-time effective January 6, 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **AUTHORIZE CHECK SIGNING**

As per the request of Auditor Kiepke, motion by Balaalid, second by Nebelsick to authorize Deputy Auditor Courtney Bartscher to sign checks effective January 3, 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **ACKNOWLEDGE VOLUNTEERS**

Motion by Claggett, second by Nebelsick to acknowledge Davison County volunteers for the month of January 2024. A complete list may be found on file in the Davison County Auditor's office. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **SIGN UNION CONTRACT**

Motion by Claggett, second by Kiner to authorize chair to sign the Jail Union Contract for 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **SPLIT OFFICE SPACE**

As per the request of Director of Physical Plants Rang, motion by Balaalid, second by Kiner to split the former Welfare office space at the North Offices building to allow for ½ of the room to be used by VSO and ½ to continue to be used by the Diversion Coordinator, with a cost of approximately \$2,500. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **APPROVE PURCHASE**

As per the request of Director of Physical Plants Rang, motion by Balaalid, second by Claggett to approve the purchase of 25 round tables at a total cost of \$4,999.95 and 3 carts for the tables at a total cost of \$1,408.82, to be used at the Fairgrounds. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **APPROVE BILLS**

Motion by Balaalid, second by Nebelsick to approve the following bills for payment. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **GENERAL FUND:**

**COMM:** Workmen's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-279.60, Cultural Endeavors/Cherrybee's Floral-62.00, Utilities/John Claggett-50.00, Denny Kiner-50.00, Chris Nebelsick-50.00, Randy Reider-50.00, Dues/SDACC-3,943.00; **AUD:** Workmen's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-167.74, ACH PMT/Cortrust Bank-15.00, Rentals/Microfilm Imaging Sys Inc-147.00, Supplies/First Bankcard-177.88, McLeod's Printing-232.87, Lien Coll Supplies/McLeod's Printing-249.90, Trvl & Conf/First Bankcard-803.26, Utilities/Susan Kiepke-50.00, Assoc Dues/SDACO-653.53, Mainframe Prog/Software Services-3,375.00; **TREAS:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-223.66, Supplies/First Dakota Nat'l Bank-26.00, Utilities/David Beintema-50.00, Tonya Ford-50.00, Assoc Dues/SDACO-653.53, Mainframe Support/Software Services-150.00; **ST ATTY:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-625.24, Prof Fees/James D Taylor PC-513.84, Diversion/Catherine Buschbach-50.00, Repairs & Maint/A & B Business Solutions-68.40; **CRT APPTED ATTY:** Crt Appted Atty/Dailey Law Prof LLC-2,129.30, Morgan Theeler LLP-781.10; **PUB SFTY BLDG:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-2,185.83, Contracts/Direct Digital Control-1,125.00, Repairs/City of Mitchell-182.93, First Bankcard-1,020.25, Menards-9.94, Thune's True Value-9.49, Supplies/Menards-63.89, Runnings Supply-20.98, Gas & Electric/Northwestern Energy-5,104.06, Pest Control/Premier Pest Control-80.00, Phone/Robert Faas-50.00, Jason Kulm-50.00, George Stahl-50.00; **CRTHOUSE:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-1,092.92, Repairs & Maint/City of Mitchell-182.93, First Bankcard-250.99, Thune's True Value-17.99, Water & Sewer/City of Mitchell-249.65, Pest Control/Premier Pest Control-50.00, Phone/Warren Clark-50.00, Joel Rang-50.00; **DOE:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers

Compensation-2,225.22, Supplies/First Bankcard-608.35, Utilities/Crystal Longhenry-50.00, Jared Olsen-50.00, Rachel Weber-50.00, Carla Wittstruck-50.00, Books/First Bankcard-89.00, Software Services/Software Services-650.00; **ROD:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-223.66, Dues/SDACO-653.52; **N. OFC:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-2,185.83, Repairs/City of Mitchell-182.92, Thune's True Value-7.47, Supplies/First Bankcard-45.98, Pest Control/Premier Pest Control-50.00; **VET:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-167.74, Utilities/Courtney Ditter-50.00, TJ Thomas-50.00, Timothy Storly-50.00; **CO COORD:** Postage/Qualified Presort-1,340.46, Postage Meter Fees/Qualified Presort-310.57, Copy Machine Maint/A & B Business Solutions-68.07, Access Systems-463.38; **GIS:** GIS Maint/Planning & Dev Dist III-3,500.00; **HR:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-55.92, Rentals/GFC Leasing-53.75, Utilities/Tonya Meaney-50.00; **SHERIFF:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-10,123.39, Witness & Undercover/James Valley Drug Force-6,250.00, Ofc Supplies/A & B Business Solutions-55.32, First Bankcard-260.36, Gas-Patrol Car/First Bankcard-77.48, Prisoner Transport/Pennington Co Jail-36.65, Cellular Service/AT&T Mobility-573.42, Dawn Grissom-50.00, Grace Murphy-50.00, Assoc Dues/SD Sheriffs' Assoc-1,098.68; **JAIL:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-31,732.77, Ofc Supplies/Ginger Faas-50.00, Innovative Office-258.89, McLeod's Printing-49.90, Jail Supplies/Thune's True Value-37.98, Kitchen Supplies/Jones Supplies-459.40, Contracts/FNIC-80.00, Minor Equip/First Bankcard-647.96; **WELFARE:** Transients/First Bankcard-198.19, Ofc Utilities/Christine Norwick-50.00; **NURSE:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-55.92; **WIC:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-55.92; **MENT ILL:** Committals/Douglas Papendick-1,070.00, Hearings/Fox Law Firm-162.88, Mark Katterhagen-30.00, Val Larson-30.00, Lucy M Lewno-165.13, Yankton Sheriff's Ofc-100.00; **FAIR:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-1,428.42, Contracts/Direct Digital Control-1,125.00, Repairs & Maint/City of Mitchell-182.92, Gas & Electric/Northwestern Energy-2,048.33, Pest Control/Premier Pest Control-50.00, Buildings/3D Security Inc-1,035.22; **EXTENSION:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-167.74; **WEED:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-1,631.75, Trvl & Conf/Weed & Pest Conference-515.00, Board Mileage/Brian Bode-14.28, Chris Nebelsick-6.72, Terry Nutter-3.36, Kevin Deinert-11.76, James Miiller-15.12; **DRAIN:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-279.60; **P&Z:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-279.60, Supplies/McLeod's Printing-105.02, Travel/SDPA-50.00, Dist III Fees/Planning & Dev Dist III-26,464.00, Equipment & Signage/First Bankcard-100.02; **HIWAY:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-19,652.17, Trvl & Conf/SDACHS-100.00, Utilities/City of Mitchell-267.05, Jack Sorenson-50.00, Clayton Wells-50.00, Oth Projects/SD Dept. of Transportation-501.56; **EMG MGMT:** Workman's Comp/SDML Workers Compensation-1,409.36, Supplies/First Bankcard-87.60, Menards-191.76, Utilities/Jeff Bathke-50.00, City of Mitchell-62.25, Karen Wegleitner-50.00, Dues/SDEMA-60.00, EMG ACCUML/Randy Reider-1,500.00; **JAIL 24-7:** Supplies/Mckesson Medical-145.05, UA Tests/Redwood Toxicology Lab-2,364.20, Minor Equip/First Bankcard-269.99; **BID DEP:** Fairgrounds Dmg Dep Ret/Tritech Inc-250.00, Angie Langley-200.00.

## **APPROVE FUEL QUOTE**

Motion by Blaaid, second by Claggett to approve a fuel quote from Vollan Oil for 7,500 gallons of blended diesel at a cost of \$2.67 per gallon. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **TREE REMOVAL DISCUSSION**

Lewis Bainbridge appeared before the Board to discuss the tree removal on 264<sup>th</sup> Street between 407<sup>th</sup> and 408<sup>th</sup> Avenues that was approved last week. Mr. Bainbridge is opposed to the removal and would like to see the County find another solution. He said his family has owned the adjacent property since 1919 and the trees were there before then.

Highway Superintendent Weinberg stated the County is liable for any obstruction in the Right-of-Way as per SD codified law. The highway department has had complaints about the trees obstructing traffic.

Weinberg said he would pause removal for now and do more research. He further stated that he would keep Mr. Bainbridge apprised of what is happening.

## **INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:27 a.m., motion by Kiner, second by Claggett to move into executive session to discuss legal matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2, as requested by Chairperson Reider. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

## **OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

11:56 a.m., motion by Nebelsick, second by Claggett to move out of executive session. All members voted aye. Motion carried.



**INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 12:04 p.m., motion by Kiner, second by Claggett to move into executive session to discuss personnel pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2, as requested by DOE Weber. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

12:53 p.m., motion by Blaalid, second by Nebelsick to move out of executive session. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

At 12:54 p.m., Chairperson Reider adjourned the meeting and set the next regular Board of Commissioners meeting for January 9, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Susan Kiepke, Auditor

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Randy Reider, Chairperson

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