

Lincoln County Board of Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2025

THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS convened at on June 24, 2025, with Commissioners Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam present. Alicia Cafaro, Deputy Auditor, served as Clerk of the Board. Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney, Drew DeGroot, was also present.

Chair, Tiffani Landeen, called the meeting to order.

ROUTINE BUSINESS:

MOTION by Betty Otten and seconded by Jim Schmidt to move the Public Comment portion of meeting to the beginning of Regular Business and approve Agenda. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; Joel Arends. Motion Passed.

Payroll: \$476,312.65:

Commissioner's \$8,829.18; FICA 523.72, Medicare 122.48, SDRS 161.78
Auditor's \$16,060.66; FICA 896.96, Medicare 209.77, SDRS 956.43
Treasurer's \$20,739.33; FICA 1,162.88, Medicare 271.96, SDRS 1,234.15
States Attorney's \$79,252.55; FICA 4,571.27, Medicare 1,069.09, SDRS 4,662.35
Gen Gov Bldg \$19,210.89; FICA 1,055.20, Medicare 246.78, SDRS 1,140.96
DOE \$42,435.38; FICA 2,431.46, Medicare 568.65, SDRS 2,526.90
ROD \$10,443.82; FICA 577.67, Medicare 135.10, SDRS 620.93
VSO \$2,311.06; FICA 134.91, Medicare 31.55, SDRS 138.66
GIS \$7,025.94; FICA 414.81, Medicare 97.01, SDRS 417.36
IT \$11,591.99; FICA 688.98, Medicare 161.13, SDRS 691.32
HR \$6,011.16; FICA 345.88, Medicare 80.89, SDRS 359.47
Sheriff's \$108,943.79; FICA 6,335.08, Medicare 1,481.59, SDRS 8,091.22
Jail \$24,745.20; FICA 1,500.68, Medicare 350.96, SDRS 1,599.70
County 4-H \$5,129.90; FICA 303.79, Medicare 71.05, SDRS 276.54
Weeds \$5,045.67; FICA 312.83, Medicare 73.16, SDRS 302.74
P & Z \$10,141.59; FICA 623.63, Medicare 145.85, SDRS 608.49
Highway \$52,650.96; FICA 3,064.88, Medicare 716.79, SDRS 2,968.70
Communications \$35,878.94; FICA 2,047.38, Medicare 478.82, SDRS 2,081.38
EM MGMT \$4,150.17; FICA 235.96, Medicare 55.18, SDRS 246.01
Airport \$2,911.11; FICA 180.49, Medicare 42.21, SDRS 174.67
24/7 \$2,803.36; FICA 173.81, Medicare 40.65, SDRS 224.27

Reports:

Mileage Reports - Highway: Mar/Apr/May 2025; Airport: Apr/May/Jun 2025; Sheriff Civil Fee: May 2025

Auditor Account with the County Treasurer report and financial reports - May 2025

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve Consent Agenda items. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve County Commission Minutes 06.10.2025. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve Lincoln County Claims in the amount of \$500,601.94: General Fund: Lennox Independent Llc, 05.2025-Publishing \$2,091.36; Ramkota Hotel-Pierre, Conference Travel \$117.00; Eich Law Office Prof Llc, Ca Atty \$348.00; Griesse Law Firm, Pc, Ca Atty \$7,946.00; O'leary Law Office, Ca Atty \$660.20; Salberg, Aaron, Ca Atty \$2,424.00; Samp Law Office, Ca Atty \$852.00; Nicholson Law, Ca Atty \$5,950.00; All Nations Interpreters Inc, Interpreter Services \$821.25; Carper, Nichole, Ca Atty \$226.50; Dakota Law Firm Prof Llc, Ca Atty \$2,035.50; Jena Skorczewski, Court Reporter, Transcript \$1,661.60; Lisa Carlson, Rpr, Transcript \$20.80; Juror Fees, Daily Fee + Mileage \$594.30; Quadient Finance Usa Inc, Qtr 3 Prepaid Postage \$12,000.00; Century Business Products, Printer/Copier Services \$194.01; Ramkota Hotel-Pierre, Lodging-Spring Workshop \$212.00; Pat Beck, Court Reporter, Grand Jury \$400.00; Paragon Health & Wellness, Blood Draws \$1,920.00; Cannabis Chemlab, Llc, Lab Testing \$260.00; Sanford Health, Blood Draw \$38.00; Minnehaha County Jail, Blood Draws \$800.00; Sd Dept Of Health, Lab Testing \$4,500.00; Sanford Health, 06.2025-Public Health Service \$1,250.00; Monona County Sheriff's Office, Civil Service \$33.00; Auto Dynamics Inc, Fleet Maintenance \$60.00; Eden, Amanda, Travel Reimbursement \$413.00; Harvison, Gary, Fleet Repair – Tire \$21.24; Custom Truck Equipment, Inc, Snowplow Repair \$456.59; Johnstone Supply, Equipment Repair \$780.59; Prochem Dynamics Llc, Custodial Supplies \$1,810.62; Culligan Water Conditioning Corp, Softener Salt \$45.60; Menards-Sioux Falls West, Plumbing And Electrical Parts \$58.91; Bomgaars, Hardware \$12.99; Quarystone Greenhouse & Floral, Annual Flower Planter Refills \$300.00; Novak Sanitary Svc Corp, Garbage And Refuse Collection \$752.76; Kirbside Car Wash, Fleet Maintenance \$90.00; Vanguard Appraisals Inc, Remote Edit Addt Seat License Fee/ Prorated April \$3,650.00; Century Business Products, Printer/Copier Services \$251.77; Thomson Reuters, Law Library Additions \$59.92; Heiliger, Ethan T, Mitchell Conference \$34.00; Olseth, Sarah, Mitchell Conference \$34.00; Erdmann, David, Mitchell Conference \$34.00; Farmer, April, Mitchell Conference \$171.78; Ekle, Donna, Mitchell Conference \$34.00; Preheim, Austin, Mitchell Conference \$34.00; Nagel, Matthew, Mitchell Conference \$34.00; Thomsen Family Llc, Mitchell Conference \$3,114.00; Karpel Solutions, Pbk Annual Mainteance \$12,000.00; Riverside Technologies Inc, 4h Ground Access Points \$9,846.00; Sd Division Of Criminal Investigation, Background Checks \$216.25; South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance, Fleet Repair \$698.32; Frantzen Reporting/Pgr8r Inc, Transcripts \$111.00; Tiresandmore, Fleet Maintenance \$167.00; Billion Southtown Inc, Fleet Maintenance \$172.54; City Of Harrisburg, May 2025 Fuel \$4,853.46; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, Personnel Uniform \$1,098.03; Canton Home & Farm Supply, Supplies \$37.14; Harrisburg Ace Hardware, Hardware \$58.04; Preferred Printing Inc, Department Supplies \$253.64; Kiesler Police Supply, Department Supplies \$1,977.82; Aj's Automotive Llc, Fleet Supplies \$166.68; Buddi Us Llc, May Tagging Days \$1,744.00; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, Personnel Uniform \$550.15; Dakota Embalming & Transport Service Inc, Transportation \$1,400.00; Sanford Health, Coroner Services \$3,023.00; Minnehaha Co Regional Jdc, Juvenile Housing \$27,485.92; Minnehaha Co Human Services, Monthly Poor Relief-Jun \$7,817.43; Avera Medical Group Specialty Clinics, Stipulation And Settlement \$34,293.00; Sd State Treasurer, Mi Commitals \$120.00; Anderson, Jennifer Marie, Mi Evals \$1,494.12; Erin M. Johnson Plc, Mi Board \$3,192.00; Fox Law Firm Plc, Mi Board-Yankton \$109.75; Lewis & Clark Behavioral Health Services Inc, Mi Intake \$921.00; Phillip Loving, Mi Evals \$2,209.22; Schiltz, Ann C, Mi Hearing \$192.00; Syverson Tricia L, Mi Hearing \$128.00; Van Beek Linda, Mi Hearing \$48.00; Yankton Co Sheriff's Office, Mi Served Papers-Yankton \$50.00; Southeastern Behavioral Healthcare, Mobile Crisis - May 2025 \$327.16; Avera Medical Group Specialty Clinics, Mi Hold \$2,131.14; Lennox Independent Llc, 05.2025-Publishing \$38.34; Lookout Plan + Code Consulting

Llc, Lp + Cc - 05.2025 \$90.00; Century Business Products, Printer/Copier Services \$82.02; Lennox Independent Llc, 05.2025-Publishing \$37.64; Jongeling, Jerry, Planning Commission Mileage - 06.16.2025 Mtg \$19.07; Boots, Todd, Planning Commission Mileage - 06.16.2025 Mtg \$23.77; Green, Scott, Planning Commission Mileage - 06.16.2025 Mtg \$ 20.40; Scott, Erik, Planning Commission Mileage - 06.16.2025 Mtg \$7.65; Otten, Betty, Planning Commission Mileage - 06.16.2025 Mtg \$22.64; Enstad, Collin, Planning Commission Mileage - 06.16.2025 Mtg \$22.03; Road & Bridge Fund:Healthpartners, Medical Insurance \$890.66; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc, Cylinders \$256.10; North Central Rental & Leasing Llc, Equipment Rental \$12,510.00; Cintas Corp, Personnel Supplies \$164.46; G & R Controls Inc, Boiler Pm \$520.07; Midwest Petroleum Equipment, Repair Unleaded Fuel Pump Probe \$205.25; Transource Truck & Equipment Inc, Work Order Supplies \$1,325.73; Albers Electric Llc, East Bay Electrical \$450.57; Amg- Avera Occupational Medicine-Sf, Personnel Services \$36.60; Cintas (First Aid), Supplies \$110.80; Jfi - Johnson Feed Inc, Propane \$27.31; Light And Siren, Work Order Supplies \$1,794.50; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc, Protective Gear \$25.78; Lyle Signs Inc, Barricades \$8,725.50; Bartlett Tools Inc, Tools \$744.26; Napa Auto & Truck Parts Of Sioux Falls, Work Order Supplies \$21.63; Sanitation Products Inc, Work Order Supplies \$446.63; Grainger, Supplies \$56.22; Fluit, Terry, Travel Reimbursement \$34.00; Presto-X, Pest/Insect Control \$591.52; Micheal's Purple Petunia, Pump Tanks \$207.00; Oldcastle Infrastructure Inc, Prooject Supplies \$104,533.50; Lincoln Co Conservation District, Seed Crp \$485.30; Imeg Corp, Project Supplies \$61,393.74; Stan Houston Equip, Supplies \$278.64; Knife River - South Dakota, Construction Supplies \$6,802.00; Bomgaars, Supplies \$169.22; Houston Engineering, Inc, Consult \$21,163.11; Geotek Engineering & Testing Services Inc, Testing \$6,437.50; South Lincoln Rural Water System, Utilities \$970.00; Hollaway Bridge Abd Culvert Inc, Crane And Operator \$ 14,350.00; Custom Truck Equipment, Inc, Equipment \$7,363.27; 911 Communications:Century Business Products, Printer/Copier Services \$44.94; Rural Fire Protection:Alcester Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$3,453.30; Beresford Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Centerville Rural Fire, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$3,453.30; Canton Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Fairview Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Harrisburg Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Hudson Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Lennox Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Tea Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Worthing Rural Fire Assoc, Rural Fire 2025 - 1st Allocation \$6,331.05; Emergency And Disaster:Elite Unmanned Llc, Batteries For Drone Conroler \$178.00; Grain Guardian Llc, Rescue Tubes & Supplies \$9,150.00; Airport:Menards-Sioux Falls West, Supplies \$88.50; A-1 Pumping & Excavating Inc, Holding Tank Pumping \$287.50; 24/7 Sobriety Fund: Pharm Chem Inc, Patch Supplies & Analysis \$1,342.47; Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve an abatement of taxes for 2024 payable in 2025 in the amount of \$1,693.14, on a property outside the city limits, parcel 100.49.53.2031, building removed in 2024. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve abatement of taxes for 2024 payable in 2025 in the amount of \$17.39, on a property in the City of Sioux Falls, parcel 280.50.53.AA00, building removed in 2024. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve out-of-state travel for an employee of the Lincoln County Human Resources' Office to travel to San Diego, 06.28.2025 to 07.03.2025, for the National Society of Human Resources (SHRM) conference. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve and authorize a motion to approve payment of \$34,293.00 to Avera McKennan Hospital pursuant to SDCL Chapter 28-13. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to declare as surplus and remove from inventory the following item from the Highway Office; 1991 Chevrolet Flatbed, VIN 1GBKC34N4MJ104485, 2005 Chevrolet 1-ton Truck, VIN 1GBJK39GX5E272103, 2002 CAT Motor Grader 140H, VIN 9TN01518 and 1987 Roscoe Chip Spreader 1987 Homemade Conveyor; and authorize the Auditor to advertise and proceed with the online auction. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to declare as surplus, remove from inventory and dispose of the following items from the Sheriff's Department: Item 6694, Taser X2, Serial# X2900D903; Item 6602, Taser X2, Serial# X2900CTE8; Item 6519, Taser X2, Serial# X2900CX5Y; Item 6518, Taser X2, Serial# X2900CX4A; Item 6517, Taser X2, Serial# X2900CX30; Item 6516, Taser X2, Serial# X2900EHCM; Item 6515, Taser X2, Serial# X2900CX6X; Item 6387, Taser X2, Serial# X2900CKV6; Item 5582, Taser X2, Serial# X29006MEF; Item 5399, Taser X2, Serial# X29005RD0; Item 5123, Taser X2, Serial# X290043V5; Declare as surplus, remove from inventory and transfer to Charles Mix County of the following items from the Sheriff's Department: Item 6696, Taser X2, Serial# X2900DEDK. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the Step Increase for Ethan Pieske, Deputy Assessor, in the Department of Equalization, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 07/01/2025, 110/11 at \$41.06/hour. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the Step Increase for Carrie Draeger, Correctional Officer I, in the Sheriff's Office, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 07/08/2025, 106/10 at \$30.55/hour. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the Step Increase for James Symens, Equipment Operator, in the Highway Department, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 07/08/2025, HWY 1/9 at \$32.00/hour. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the Step Increase for Jamie Smith, Correctional Officer I, in the Sheriff's Office, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 07/05/2025, 106/9 at \$29.81/hour. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the Step Increase for Alicia Cafaro, Commission Recorder, in the Auditor's Office, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 07/01/2025, 105/5 at \$25.25/hour. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve and authorize the chair to sign the agreement with American Fence Company to install a budget-approved security fence for the amount of \$12,996. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to declare the following assets as surplus, remove from inventory and given to Lenovo Asset Recovery Services. The items will be evaluated, and if the item has value, credit will be given for future IT purchases; Getac V110G4 7, Getac F110G5 6, Lenovo ThinkCentre M910q 4, Lenovo ThinkCentre M920q 9, Lenovo ThinkCentre M700 5, Lenovo ThinkCentre M83 2, Lenovo ThinkCentre M900x 2, Lenovo ThinkCentre M70q 2, Lenovo ThinkCentre M710q 1, Lenovo ThinkCentre M70q Gen 2 2, Lenovo ThinkCentre M90t 15, Dell Precision Tower 3620 1, Lenovo ThinkCentre M900 Tower 2, Cisco Meraki MS320-48FP 2, Cisco UCS C240 M4 3, Cisco Voice Gateway VG224 1, Dell P2319H 60, Dell P2317H 10, Dell U2412M 2, Dell P2417H 1, Dell P2214H 2, Dell P2314H 1, Dell P2414H 2, ViewSonic VA2431WM 1. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were heard.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION: Paul Anderson, Commission Administrative Assistant, introduced Dan Bilka from the non-profit All Aboard Northwest. Bilka gave a presentation to the board regarding the benefits of having passenger and commercial railways in South Dakota. He urged the Board and audience members to make their voices and opinions heard regarding train travel in our state. Public input was heard.

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION: Karla Goossen, Director of Equalization, presented to the Board an explanation for the requested increase in the next year's budget. Public input was heard.

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION: Francene Hofer, Treasurer, explained to the Board why she is requesting an increase in the department's budget for next year. No public input was heard.

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION: David Myers, Airport Manager, gave a presentation discussing his requested increase to the airport budget in the coming year. No public input was heard.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Joel Arends, County Commissioner, presented to the Board a resolution condemning antisemitism and reiterating support for the Jewish community both here and abroad. No public input was heard.

MOTION by Arends. Motion fails for lack of a second.

COMMISSIONER REPORT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)

Commissioner reports were given.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Betty Otten and seconded by Doug Putnam to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. on July 1, 2025. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Betty Otten, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS:

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