

Lincoln County Board of Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2026

THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS convened at 8:30 a.m. on May 12, 2026, with Commissioners Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, and 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 Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to move Consent Items 3 & 5 to Regular Business and approve Agenda. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

Payroll: \$513,888.95

Commissioner's \$9,064.24; FICA 537.89, Medicare 125.80, SDRS 165.83
Elections \$761.25; FICA 47.20, Medicare 11.04
Auditor's \$16,396.73; FICA 908.90, Medicare 212.57, SDRS 979.60
Treasurer's \$22,332.07; FICA 1,205.34, Medicare 281.89, SDRS 1,332.75
States Attorney's \$80,090.29; FICA 4,607.95, Medicare 1,077.67, SDRS 4,707.60
Gen Gov Bldg \$19,982.96; FICA 1,107.49, Medicare 259.01, SDRS 1,187.27
DOE \$43,596.58; FICA 2,471.47, Medicare 578.01, SDRS 2,546.63
ROD \$10,969.03; FICA 605.97, Medicare 141.72, SDRS 652.44
VSO \$2,453.87; FICA 143.24, Medicare 33.50, SDRS 145.73
GIS \$6,150.72; FICA 341.24, Medicare 79.81, SDRS 366.35
IT \$12,268.84; FICA 728.93, Medicare 170.48, SDRS 731.93
HR \$6,340.56; FICA 353.04, Medicare 82.57, SDRS 377.74
Sheriff's \$128,846.53; FICA 7,493.02, Medicare 1,752.40, SDRS 9,556.23
Jail \$22,796.84; FICA 1,392.97, Medicare 325.77, SDRS 1,528.32
County 4-H \$4,886.15; FICA 288.15, Medicare 67.39, SDRS 290.47
Weeds \$5,173.93; FICA 320.78, Medicare 75.02, SDRS 275.93
P & Z \$14,030.35; FICA 854.32, Medicare 199.80, SDRS 817.83
Highway \$61,732.78; FICA 3,597.72, Medicare 841.40, SDRS 3,171.43
Communications \$36,009.37; FICA 2,072.10, Medicare 484.60, SDRS 2,131.02
EM MGMT \$4,252.67; FICA 241.04, Medicare 56.37, SDRS 252.16
Airport \$3,057.83; FICA 189.59, Medicare 44.34, SDRS 183.47
24/7 \$2,695.36; FICA 167.11, Medicare 39.08, SDRS 215.62

Reports:

April 2026 Register of Deeds Report

April 2026 East Dakota Water Development District (EDWDD) Meeting Minutes – DRAFT

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve County Commission Minutes: 05.05.2026. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve Board of Equalization Minutes: 05.05.2026. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve Out-of-State travel for the Information Technology Department to send two employees to attend the Cisco Webexone conference in Austin, TX from Oct 5th - 8th, 2026. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to declare as surplus, remove from inventory, and trade in the following items: Items 5128, 5129, 5130, 5131, 5132, and 6126. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve and authorize Fireworks Public Display Permit from Mark J Foster. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION: John Rombough, Director of Buildings & Grounds, introduced Robbie Veurink with Midwest Engineering, who gave a presentation on his findings regarding the structural integrity of the Old Courthouse roof. Public input was heard.

Commissioner Joel Arends joined the meeting via phone at 8:35 a.m.

COMMISSIONER BREIFING: Sheri Lund, Lincoln County Auditor, explained the claims payments that are currently due. No public input was heard.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve Lincoln County Claims in the amount of: \$3,386,788.26: GENERAL: A & B Pure Water Online Corp, Contract # Ct3776--01 Acct #Lc75, 207.8; Accurate Reporting Inc, Gj Transcripts, 105; Aj's Automotive LLC, 21-4 Oil Change, 88.71; All Nations Interpreters Inc, Interpreting Services, 1,289.00; Alvine Law Firm, LLP, Crt Appt Atty, 5633.2; American Legal Publishing Corporation, 2026 S-5 Supplement Pages, 1,708.30; Anderson Funeral Home, Poor Relief-Funeral, 2,500.00; Anderson, Ashley, Deliveries To Highway And Harrisburg, 18.09; Anderson, Jennifer Marie, Mi Evals, 2,816.65; Auto Dynamics Inc, 24-1 Oil Change, 78; Avera , Inmate Medical, 289.81; Avera Heart Hospital Of Sd, 5 - Physio-Control Cr2 Aeds, 7,625.00; Beck Law, Prof LLC, Crt Appt Atty, 577.4; Benco Products Inc, Supplies, 91.05; Bomgaars, Acct. #67-042-3, 81.48; Butler Machinery Co, Customer # C55875, 46.66; C.R. Lloyd & Associates Inc., Poor Relief-Rent, 900; Cannabis Chemlab, LLC, Lab Testing, 845; Canton Home & Farm Supply, Nuts/Bolts/Screws/Etc. Osb Board, 138.08; Centralsquare Technologies, Annual Subscription June 2026-June 2027, 59,562.00; Century Business Products, Copier Contracts, 328.19; City Of Canton, Water Utilities, 521.31; City Of Sioux Falls Public Works, Acct # 3486, 67.7; Civicplus LLC, Website Renewal , 21,376.72; D & D Small Engine Repair & Sales LLC, Customer #101022, 18.48; Dakota Data Shred, Shredding, 795.27; Dave's Service & Repair, 25-1 Oil Change Replace Filters Rotate Tires-, 117.25; Derousseau, Monty, P&Z Board Mileage, 19.48; Diverse Lawn & Landscaping LLC, Mow Round-A-Bout, 60; Erin M. Johnson PLLC, Mi Board, 3,013.40; Frantzen Reporting/Pgr8r Inc, Transcript, 420.9; Grainger, Acct #8790306108, 280.98; Griesse Law Firm, Pc, Crt Appt Atty, 2047; Harrisburg Ace Hardware, Anchr Eye & Rope, 57.97; Healthpartners, Retiree May 2026, 951.48; Interstate Office Products, Supplies, 165.34; Isi, LLC, 04/23/2026 Interpreter, 110; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, Uniforms, 2996.79; Jongeling, Jerry, P&Z Board Mileage, 19.07; Jurors, Fees And Mileage, 1545.8; Justfoia Inc, Justfoia Pro Renewal, 7,162.81; Jw Niederauer Inc, Customer #17458, 5.59; Karla Salem, Qmhp, Mi Evals, 1,690.00; Karpel Solutions, Pbk Renewal, 37,850.00; Laguna, Autumn , April Mileage, 139.3; Lincoln Co Treasurer, 2026 Equinox - Sales Tax Registration, 28.7; Lookout Plan + Code Consulting LLC, Lookout Plan + Code Consulting: Ps, 1,902.60; Midamerican Energy Co, Acct #48001-35014, 1418.24; Midwestern Mechanical Inc, Customer #4608, 300; Minnehaha Co Human Services, Monthly Poor Relief-May 2026, 8,189.31; Minnehaha County Jail, Housing Contract - April, 178,552.42; Moser, Seth, P&Z Board Mileage, 14.38; Novak Sanitary

Svc Corp, Acct #3031-69903-001, 1,482.61; O'leary Law Office, Crt Appt Atty, 590.2; On Target Training And Consulting, Training J Umthun, 1,150.00; Otten, Betty, P&Z Board Mileage, 22.34; Paragon Health & Wellness, Blood Draws, 2,970.00; Pat Beck, Court Reporter, Gj Transcript, 831.65; Pennington County Jail, April Inmate Transportation, 856.94; Peterson Stuart & Klentz, Prof LLC, Public Defender Contract - April, 77,964.92; Phillip Loving, Mi Evals, 3,607.45; Pmb 0112, Executive Mgmt Finance Office, Access Fees, 120; Quadient Leasing Usa, Inc, Lease Payment, 1,160.79; Raterman, Cody D, Crt Appt Atty, 6,827.10; Resolute Law Firm Pc, Crt Appt Atty, 9,924.15; Samp Law Office , Crt Appt Atty, 669.4; Sanford Health Pathology Clinic, April 2026 Coroner Calls , 1,050.00; Scott, Erik, P&Z Board Mileage, 7.45; Sd Dept Of Health, Courthouse Drinking Water Testing, 388; Sd Division Of Criminal Investigation, Background Check(S) @, 100; Sd State Treasurer, 04.2026 Redfield, 1903.8; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society, April 2026 Contract Fees, 3,856.75; South Lincoln Rural Water System, Acct #4177, 129.35; Southeastern Behavioral Healthcare, Mobile Crisis - February 2026, 820.8; Stephanie Moen & Associates, Grand Jury, 587.5; Stitches, So Polos, 105; Storo, Tracie, Lennox, 72.02; Strange, Farrell, Johnson & Brewers Pc, Crt Appt Atty, 4,430.48; Sturdevant's Auto Value Lennox, Acct #81606633, 229.76; Subway #27640-0 - Canton Sd, Juror Meals, 109.74; Sweeter, Marlene, P&Z Board Mileage, 10.4; Sweeter, Wendy, 2 X Standing Wire Grid Screen -Ready To Assemble C, 354.97; Symetra Life Insurance Company, Basic Life May 2026, 224.24; The Dakota Scout LLC , Legal Publication, 26.09; The Lodge At Deadwood, Sdml Lodging For April 2026, 760; Thompson, Carter, Deadwood Travel Reimbursement, 60; Thomson Reuters-West Publ Corp, Online Software Subscription, 986.41; Tiresandmore, 23-5 Tires, 1133.32; Transunion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions Inc, Apr-26, 100; Two Way Solutions Inc, Programming 5: Programming 5, 529.99; Weerheim Law Office, Mi Board, 390.4; Well365, LLC, Online Wellness Portal Online Wellness Portal, 3,116.84; Xcel Energy, Acct #51-6177129-3, 8,009.40; Yankton Co Treasurer, Mi Hearing-Yankton, 347.2; ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND: Autopros Tire & Service Center, Wo1602, 264.88; Butler Machinery Co, Filter, 66.05; Cintas Corp, Uniform, Towels, Mats, 134.62; City Of Sioux Falls Public Works, Dispose Tires, 1,161.54; Culligan Water Conditioning Corp, Water, 40; Deans Distributing, Supplies, 3,299.26; Grainger, Supplies, 58.64; Healthpartners, H Fischer Cobra May 2026, 951.48; Lp Graphics & Design LLC, 13 And 14 Decal, 320; Midamerican Energy Co, Heat, 751.18; Miller, Monte, Cdl For Fed Compliance, 45; Napa Auto & Truck Parts Of Sioux Falls, Supplies, 64.99; Novak Sanitary Svc Corp, Trash, 383.06; Sd Dept Of Transportation, 0adh, 4,718.83; South Lincoln Rural Water System, Water, 104.8; Southeastern Electric Co-Op Inc, Electric, 2,349.39; Subsurface, Inc., Culvert Lining, 75,810.00; Symetra Life Insurance Company, Basic Life May 2026, 33.63; Transwest Trucks Of Sioux Falls, Wo1605, 4,720.89; Verizon Connect Fleet Usa LLC, Fleet Gps, 970.18; Xcel Energy, Traffic Lights, 104.54; E911 COMMUNICATIONS: Symetra Life Insurance Company, Basic Life May 2026, 21.7; Language Line Services Inc, Over-The-Phone Interpretation, 100.12; Centralsquare Technologies, Annual Subscription June 2026-June 2027, 16,700.00; Innovative Office Solutions LLC, Crtdg,Tape,Black On White,2, 71.8; Bluepeak, Lennox/Sf 911 Circuit May 2026, 1,028.37; Stitches, So Polos, 95; EMERGENCY AND DISASTER: Symetra Life Insurance Company, Basic Life May 2026, 0.55; Scott's Automotive LLC, Change Oil In Em Vehicle, 87.36; AIRPORT: Symetra Life Insurance Company, Basic Life May 2026, 1.8; Lincoln Co Rural Water, Water For The Airport, 126.75; A-1 Pumping & Excavating Inc, Pumping Of Fbo, 287.5; Helms & Associates, Hangar Expansion Airport, 5,359.98; 24/7 SOBRIETY FUND: Symetra Life Insurance Company, Basic Life May 2026, 1.8; Dash, 24/7 & Em Gloves, 176.22; Pharm Chem Inc, Sweat Patch Analysis , 63.9; Trevor Bisson Davis, Remote Breath Refund, 130; Krin Racquel Gab, Pbt - Refund, 24; DEBT SERVICE-HWY BUILDING: Us Bank St. Paul, Series 2016 Interest Payment, 68,591.88; DEBT SERVICE - JUSTICE CENTER: Us Bank St. Paul, Series 2023 Interest Payment, 1,323,689.99; MODERN/PRESERV/RELIEF: Sdaco, April M & P State Fund, 2,050.00; STATE MOTOR: Sd State Treasurer, Sd State Treasurer, 1,376,221.41; BIRTHS, DEATHS, & TITLES: Sd State Treasurer, Vital Records State Portion - April, 820. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

COMMISSIONER BREIFING: The personnel memorandum was brought before the Board. No public input was heard.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve the hire of Alyssa Stahl, Summer Intern, in the Sheriff's Office, effective 06/15/2026, 104/1 at \$22.12/hr. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve the hire of Kristoff DeKramer, Chief Deputy, in the Sheriff's Office, effective 06/01/2026, 116/5 at \$5,049.12 bi-weekly. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve the hire of Alex Smith, Summer Highway Worker, in the Highway Department, effective 05/13/2026, TEMP at \$19.00/hr. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve the Step Increase for Vance Branton, Deputy Sheriff, in the Sheriff's Office, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 05/20/2026, SO1/3 at \$33.48/hr. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to approve the Step Increase for Temothy Rodriguez-Gomez, Deputy Sheriff, in the Sheriff's Office, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 05/20/2026, SO1/3 at \$33.48/hr. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were heard.

COMMISSIONER REPORT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)

Commissioner reports were heard.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION to enter into Executive Session at 9:09 a.m. For the following purposes: Consulting with legal counsel or reviewing communications from legal counsel about proposed or pending litigation or contractual matters. SDCL 1-25-2(3).

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to exit Executive Session at 9:25 a.m. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Doug Putnam to adjourn at 9:25 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on May 26, 2026. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

Tiffani Landeen, Lincoln County Chair

Attest: _____

Alicia Cafaro, Deputy Auditor

Approved: May 26, 2026

Please publish the week of June 1, 2026