

Lincoln County Board of Commission
Meeting Minutes
July 30, 2026

THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS convened at 6:30 PM on July 30, 2026, with Commissioners Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten present. Sheri Lund, Lincoln County Auditor, served as Clerk of the Board. Deputy State's Attorney, Joe Meader, was also present.

Chair, Tiffani Landeen, called the meeting to order.

ROUTINE BUSINESS:

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

Payroll: \$515,969.52

Commissioner's \$9,064.24; FICA 537.89, Medicare 125.80, SDRS 165.83

Elections \$870.00; FICA 53.94, Medicare 12.62

Auditor's \$16,447.13; FICA 912.02, Medicare 213.30, SDRS 982.62

Treasurer's \$21,435.93; FICA 1,171.01, Medicare 273.87, SDRS 1,278.96

States Attorney's \$79,121.19; FICA 4,554.94, Medicare 1,065.27, SDRS 4,649.45

Gen Gov Bldg \$19,966.93; FICA 1,088.50, Medicare 254.57, SDRS 1,187.03

DOE \$40,316.80; FICA 2,258.30, Medicare 528.15, SDRS 2,402.82

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 \$6,237.71; FICA 346.64, Medicare 81.07, SDRS 371.57

IT \$12,415.24; FICA 738.01, Medicare 172.60, SDRS 740.71

HR \$6,587.96; FICA 357.61, Medicare 83.63, SDRS 391.08

Sheriff's \$135,525.55; FICA 7,938.60, Medicare 1,856.61, SDRS 10,082.41

Jail \$28,011.89; FICA 1,697.53, Medicare 397.00, SDRS 1,929.67

County 4-H \$5,833.90; FICA 346.91, Medicare 81.13, SDRS 290.47

Weeds \$5,785.84; FICA 358.72, Medicare 83.89, SDRS 347.15

P & Z \$13,630.35; FICA 829.52, Medicare 194.00, SDRS 817.83

Highway \$54,173.39; FICA 3,137.45, Medicare 733.76, SDRS 3,078.20

Communications \$37,070.15; FICA 2,137.86, Medicare 499.98, SDRS 2,221.86

EM MGMT \$4,222.67; FICA 239.18, Medicare 55.94, SDRS 252.16

Airport \$3,134.39; FICA 194.33, Medicare 45.45, SDRS 188.06

24/7 \$2,695.36; FICA 167.11, Medicare 39.08, SDRS 215.62

Reports:

Veterans Service Officer Report

Tea/Ellis Road Public Open House

May 2026 Auditor's Account with the Treasurer and Financial Reports

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve County Commission Minutes:

07.14.2026. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve Lincoln County Claims in the amount of \$3,437,341.84: GENERAL FUND: Accurate Reporting Inc, Gj Transcript, 58.5; Anderson, Jennifer Marie, Mi Evals, 2,935.81; Auto Dynamics Inc, Vehicle Service, 219.34; Avera , Mi Hold, 1045.76; Axon Enterprise Inc, Bundle Taser 7, 39,665.51; Bangs, Mccullen, Butler, Foye & Simmons, Llp, Crt Appt Atty, 6,142.20; Beck Law, Prof Llc, Crt Appt Atty, 197.6; Billion Southtown Inc, 24-4 New Belt And Tests Needs Alt, 637.44; Bomgaars, Acct #67-042-3 , 737.91; Boyce Law Firm Llp, Periodic Legal Services Regarding Employees, 1,008.00; Canton Home & Farm Supply, Key Blank Schlage/Dexter Sc4, 13.95; Century Business Products, Century Business - Contract Invoice, 282.62; Certified Languages International, Interpreter, 135.3; Chs Eastern Farmers, Acct #180492, 114.85; Cintas (First Aid), Customer #21078014, 166.02; City Of Harrisburg, 1871.2 Gallons Fuel From Public Works Fuel Tank, 6,998.29; Cole Papers Inc, Copy Paper, 1741.73; Creekside Commons Llc, Poor Relief-Rent, 579; Dahle, Travis, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$28.00, 78; Dean Schaefer Court Reporting, Mi Crt Reporting-Yankton, 90; Edgewater Villas, Poor Relief-Rent, 1,000.00; Eldridge, Jeremiah , Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$28.00, 78; Ellis, Danny, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$21.00, 71; Erin M. Johnson Pllc, Mi Board, 5,258.20; Fox Law Firm Pllc, Mi Board-Yankton, 109.75; Frantzen Reporting/Pgr8r Inc, C Derby Transcript, 98.6; G & R Controls Inc, Acct #Lic100, 4,587.25; Gadberry, Jana, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$29.40, 79.4; Griese Law Firm, Pc, Crt Appt Atty, 1,376.90; Hoeke, Brittney, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$25.20, 75.2; Interstate Office Products, Supplies, 17.99; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, Vest And Uniform, 1,766.43; Janssen, Mary, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$35.00, 85; Jd's House Of Trophies, Ds10 10 1/2" Genuine Walnut Desk Wedge With Gold B, 46.75; Jena Skorczewski, Court Reporter, Transcript, 46.65; Jerry's Chevrolet Of Beresford, Customer #20760, 75.25; Jesch, Amanda, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$22.40, 72.4; Johnstone Supply, Customer #1816120, 123.57; Jw Niederauer Inc, Customer #17458, 110.92; Karla Salem, Qmhp, Mi Evals, 4,095.00; Katterhagen, Mark, Mi Hearing-Yankton, 28; Larson, Valerie, Mi Hearing-Yankton, 28; Lennox Independent Llc, Summer Fun Guide Ad, 160; Lewno Law Office, Lucy M Lewno, Atty, Mi Board-Yankton, 110.74; Mcgrath Consulting Group, Draft & Final Report , 12,000.00; Mckeever, Katherine, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$21.00, 71; Menards-Sioux Falls East, Mf 4-Lvl Rack 77wx72hx24d, 449.38; Menards-Sioux Falls West, Mf 4-Lvl Rack 77wx72hx24d, 224.69; Minnehaha County Jail, Blood Draws, 700; Motorola Solutions Inc, Apx 4500 Radios Mobile Radio Apx4500 Enhanced Vhf , 12,327.60; Muntefering, Denise, Fashion Revue Judge, 50; Muth, Tyler, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$21.00, 71; Nelson, Jennifer, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$28.00, 78; New Century Press, The Republic, 50; Newvision Automotive Llc, 25-5 Windshield, 1100; O'leary Law Office, Crt Appt Atty-Juv, 2,787.60; Olson, Dawn, Transcript, 119; Oslund, Jennifer, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$21.00, 71; Pankratz, Linda M, Special Foods Judge, 50; Pat Beck, Court Reporter, Gj Transcript, 668.45; Petrich, Alan, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$16.80, 66.8; Pheasantland Industries, Door Hanger Lincoln Co. Sherif, 63.5; Phillip Loving, Mi Evals, 3,889.07; Pictometry, Due At Delivery/Activation, 44,070.00; Prochem Dynamics Llc, Account #236, 511.36; Quadient Finance Usa Inc, Quarter 3 2026 Prepay Postage, 15,000.00; Rapp, Jacquelyn, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$28.00, 78; Rasmussen, Dawn, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$29.40, 79.4; Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Lab Testing, 141.88; Riemenschneider, Abbey, Communications Judge, 50; Rippentrop, Dean, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$36.40, 86.4; Riverside Technologies Inc, Drum - Print239, 88; Salberg, Aaron , Crt Appt Atty, 1163.53; Samp Law Office , Crt Appt Atty, 4,395.80; Sanford Health, Coroner Services, 3,350.00; Sd Dept Of Health, Lab Testing, 50; Sd Division Of Criminal Investigation, 2 Background Checks , 100; Sd Human Services Center, Comp Eval, 600; Sd Secretary Of State, Notary Application Fee, 90; Sdacc, Quarter 3 - Clerp 2026, 31,555.00; Sdacc, 2026 Annual County Convention, 2000; Selby, Meridith, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$21.00, 71; Shi International Corp, Microsoft Renewal, 94,133.91; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society, County Contract Lincoln County Contract: Flat Rate, 4,229.33; Southeastern Electric Co-Op Inc, Poor Relief-Utilities, 400; Stadium Commons Llc, Poor Relief-Rent, 700; Stensland Gravel Co. Inc, Gravel, 582.85; Stephanie Moen & Associates, Gj Transcript, 121.5; Steve's Welding & Repair, Fairgrounds Fencing Materials, 2,880.00; Sturdevant's Auto Value, Acct #81406633, 168.97; Talsma, Daniel, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$35.00, 85; The Barber Shop Llc, Custom Jail Bus Build -Materials -Laser/Brake Rent, 43,090.00; Thomson Reuters-West Publ Corp, Sd Codified Laws Title 10 Full Set - 4 Books Total, 237.96; Tiresandmore, 25-6 Oil Change, Front Brakes, Tires, 1575.77; Van Beek Linda , Mi Hearing, 150; Van Hove, Debora E., Fashion Revue Judge, 100; Vanorny, Sarah, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$21.00, 71; Wolbrink, Christopher, Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$28.00, 78; Yankton Co Treasurer, Mi Hearing-Yankton, 141.55; Youngberg Law, Prof. Llc, Mi Crt Appt Atty-Yankton, 268.4; Zeilstra, Michael , Fees \$50.00, Mileage \$14.00, 64; ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND: Butler Machinery

Co, Wo1671, 2110.28; Bx Civil & Construction Inc, 26.Rab, 265,391.71; Cintas (First Aid), First Aid Supplies, 34.44; Cintas Corp, Uniform, 178.88; Cole Papers Inc, Copy Paper, 97.85; Envirotech Services, Llc, Dust Control 2026, 87,730.11; G & R Controls Inc, Boiler Pm, 435.87; Geotek Engineering & Testing Services Inc, 26.Rab Ce, 10,649.75; Imeg Corp, 42-120-283 Pe, 70,277.89; Istate Truck Center, Wo1680, 514.2; Light And Siren, Non-Stock Parts, 1,636.64; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc, Welding Cylinders, 140.4; Myrl & Roys Paving Inc, G2 - Fdr140, 5,161.65; Napa Auto & Truck Parts Of Sioux Falls, Wo1663, 30.34; North Central Rental & Leasing Llc, Hammer 7/21-7/22 - R117, 322.2; Sdacc, Registration - County Convention 2026, 250; South Lincoln Rural Water System, Water - Fdr140, 322.5; Transource Truck & Equipment Inc, Wo1683, 4,223.24; E911 COMMUNICATIONS: Century Business Products, Copier Contract, 22.47; Cole Papers Inc, Copy Paper, 117.42; Innovative Office Solutions Llc, Office Supplies Dispatch, 129.59; EMERGENCY AND DISASTER: Sdema – Sd Emergency, Registration For Conference &, 150.00; AIRPORT: Pfeifer's Implement Co., Mower Repair/Temp Guage, 140.82; Lincoln Co Rural Water, Water Airport, 71.25; MODERN/PRESERV/RELIEF: Century Business Products, Monthly Printer/Copy Fees, 37.67; JUSTICE CENTER: Geotek Engineering & Testing Services Inc, 0088497 Lc Justice Center, 16,618.50; Grainger, 9972381611 - Lc Justice Center, 714.24; Henry Carlson Construction Llc, Lc Justice Center - 27, 2,198,067.00; Jlg Architects, 21030-48 Lc Justice Center, 14,951.30; Riverside Technologies Inc, In0472538 Lc Justice Center, 376,921.92; Stryker Sales Llc, Lpcr2,Wifi,B,En-Us,De,S,1,Ros,Modet, Ros,, 4,119.40; Tegra Group, 436.726 Pmt 21 Of 21, 5,748.00; DEBT SERVICE TIF #9: City Of Lennox, Tif #9 Disbursement June 2026, 429.78. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the Affidavit of Replacement Warrant submitted by Kim Ueng in the amount of \$773.84; original warrant number 34696, issued on 10/7/25. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve abatement of taxes for 2022 payable in 2023 on a parcel in the City of Sioux Falls, in the amount of \$753.20, per SDCL 10-4-24.10. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve abatement of taxes for 2023 payable in 2024 on a parcel in the City of Sioux Falls, in the amount of \$1,227.76, per SDCL 10-4-24.10. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve abatement of taxes for 2024 payable in 2025 on a parcel in the City of Sioux Falls, in the amount of \$1,199.34, per SDCL 10-4-24.10. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve abatement of taxes for 2025 payable in 2026 on a parcel in the City of Sioux Falls, in the amount of \$523.18, per SDCL 10-4-24.10. Ayes; None, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve abatement of taxes for 2025 payable in 2026 on a parcel in Delapre Township, in the amount of 5,252.52, property was purchased by the City of Sioux Falls on 05.29.2025. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the step increase for Caden Lambka, Planner, in the Planning & Zoning Department, effective the first date of the biweekly pay period following 8/4/2026, 109/2 at \$31.49/hr. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the step increase for Paul Anderson, Commission Administrative Assistant, in the Board of Commissioners Office, effective 07/26/26, 110/4 @

\$2832.52 biweekly. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to set the date and time for a PUBLIC HEARING on August 25, 2026 between 7:30 p.m. and adjournment, pursuant to SDCL 7-21-22, for the purpose of adopting the following supplements to the 2026 Budget: A supplement to General Fund for the Poor Relief department account 101-4411-429440 in the amount of 136,319.00 two settlements approved indigent medical claims pursuant to SDCL 28-13 passed on 06.22.2026 2606-18, full board approved, a supplement increasing Rural Fire Fund account 211-4221-499110 this is a pass through account fund that should have been expended in Dec of 2025 where paid from 2026, a supplement increasing the Domestic Violence Fund account 229-4434-499200 in the amount of 4,950.00 this is a pass through account with excess funds that should be sent out. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends Approve and authorize the chair to sign a resolution to remove structure 42-010-265 from the National Bridge Inventory (NBI) list for Lincoln County. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Terminate of Ground Lease Agreement for hangar site M1 with Gayle Wilts and the new Ground Lease Agreement for hangar site M1 with Pete Sanchez. Ayes; None, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends Approve and authorize the chair to execute engineering grant applications from the South Dakota Department of Transportation's local federal and Bridge Improvement Grant (BIG) programs. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve and authorize the Agreement between South Eastern Council of Governments, Lincoln County, City of Tea, and the City of Sioux Falls for the Ellis Road/Heritage Parkway (469th Ave.) Traffic Operations and Geometrics Corridor Study. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING was held as advertised to terminate hangar lease agreements for Sites K-1, K-2, & R-6 and intent to enter into lease agreements for Sites K-1, K-2, & R-6, for a term exceeding 120 days and an amount exceeding \$500.00 at the Marv Skie/ Lincoln County Airport. Joe Meader, Deputy States Attorney, presented the facts and fielded questions from the Board. No testimony was heard in favor or opposition.

MOTION by Joel Arends and seconded by Jim Schmidt to terminate hangar lease agreements for Sites K-1, K-2, & R-6 and intent to enter into lease agreements for Sites K-1, K-2, & R-6, for a term exceeding 120 days and an amount exceeding \$500.00 at the Marv Skie/ Lincoln County Airport. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

PUBLIC HEARING was held as advertised for an application for a temporary on-sale liquor license to operate outside the municipality for Boondocks Bar for an event to occur on September 12, 2026; located at the Broughton Building, 47189 US Hwy 18, Worthing, SD 57077. The applicant was present. No testimony was heard in favor or opposition.

MOTION by Joel Arends and seconded by Herman Otten to approve an application for a temporary on-sale liquor license to operate outside the municipality for Boondocks Bar for an event to occur on September 12, 2026; located at the Broughton Building, 47189 US Hwy 18, Worthing, SD 57077. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

The County canvass of the 07.28.2026 Primary Election Runoff occurred. The Board of Canvassers consisted of Auditor Sheri Lund and the following Commissioners: Doug Putnam, Jim Schmidt, Joel Arends Jim Schmidt, and Tiffani Landeen. The Lincoln County Board of Canvassers completed the duties as required by South Dakota Administrative Rule 5:02:17:12. No public input was heard.

MOTION by Joel Arends and seconded by Jim Schmidt to approve and execute the abstract of the results of the votes cast for each of the candidates in the governor's runoff election. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Sheri Lund, Auditor, explained the process steps for the passing of the provisional budget to allow the Auditor to advertise for the budget hearing to be set for 09.01.2026. No public input was heard.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to approve the 2027 Provisional Budget for publication and authorize the Auditor to advertise for the public hearing to be held on 09.01.2026. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Kari Elling, Director of Human Resources, presented the recommendations for the 2026 salary study. No public input was heard.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Herman Otten to approve implementation of the County Salary Study recommendations, effective 07.26.2026, including a 3% market adjustment across all non-bargaining unit employees, targeted market-based adjustments for Sergeants and Deputies as members for the FOP bargaining unit, targeted market-based salary adjustments for classifications identified by the compensation study as below market value. Ayes; Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Herman Otten, Nays; Joel Arends, Doug Putnam. Motion Passed.

Board Discussion on the Justice Center. Commissioner Putnam stated he would pass on the discussion.

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: The Board discussed setting a FIRST READING for August 11th, 2026 and a SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING on August 25th, 2026 at 7:30pm for an Ordinance to impose a County Gross Receipts Tax. Public input was heard.

MOTION by Jim Schmidt and seconded by Joel Arends to set a FIRST READING for August 11th, 2026 and a SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING on August 25th, 2026 at 7:30pm for an Ordinance to impose a County Gross Receipts Tax. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Herman Otten, Nays; Doug Putnam. Motion Passed.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public input was heard.

COMMISSION OFFICE REPORT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)

Commissioner Administrative Assistant gave a report

COMMISSIONER REPORT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)

Commission reports were given

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION by Joel Arends and seconded by Jim Schmidt to enter into Executive Session at 10:02 p.m. For the following purposes: Preparing for contract negotiations or negotiating with employees or employee

representatives. SDCL 1-25-2(4). Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

MOTION by Joel Arends and seconded by Jim Schmidt to exit Executive Session at 10:20 p.m. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Doug Putnam and seconded by Herman Otten to adjourn at 10:20 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. on August 4, 2026. Ayes; Joel Arends, Jim Schmidt, Tiffani Landeen, Doug Putnam, Herman Otten, Nays; None. Motion Passed.

Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

Tiffani Landeen, Lincoln County Chair

Attest: _____
Sheri Lund, Lincoln County Auditor

To be approved: August 4, 2026
Please publish the week of August 10, 2026