

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

JULY 7, 2026

Sanborn County Commissioners met in regular session on Friday, July 7, 2026, at 8:58 am, with Vice-Chairman Steve Larson presiding. Present were Earl Hinricher, Gary Blindauer and Duane Peterson. Absent was Jeff Ebersdorfer. Auditor Kami Moody was also present. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer, to approve the minutes from June 16 meeting, as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENT

No public was in attendance for comment.

REPORTS & BILLS

Auditor and Treasurer in all accounts	\$2,668,690.49
Register of Deeds	\$ 2,319.00

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer, to pay the following bills. Motion carried.

June payroll before Deductions:

Commissioner	\$6,652.93	
Auditor	\$10,023.89	
Treasurer	\$13,690.17	
States Attorney	\$6,409.14	
Courthouse	\$5,022.89	
Assessor	\$12,957.86	
Register of Deeds	\$11,470.11	
Sheriff	\$22,047.26	
Public Welfare	\$1,008.88	
Ambulance	\$4,265.07	
Extension	\$3,843.55	
Weed	\$4,930.96	
Drainage	\$0.00	
Planning & Zoning	\$258.36	
Road & Bridge	\$48,712.60	
Emergency Management	\$773.25	
Sobriety	\$217.36	
FNBO	Direct Deposit Fee	\$27.56
First National Bank SD	Tax Liability	\$22,379.58
Accounts Management	Employee Garnishment	\$43.50

Wellmark BCBS	Insurance	\$21,910.68
AFLAC	Insurance	\$1,834.25
BEAM	Insurance	\$459.41
Bank West HSA	Insurance	\$575.00
SD Retirement System	Retirement	\$12,722.50
Delta Dental	Insurance	\$1,247.00
Small Business	Insurance	\$25.00
Sanborn County Treasurer	Taxes in Trust	\$23,172.42
Cincinnati Insurance Co.	Insurance	\$492.89
Colonial Life	Insurance	\$126.30
Post Election Workers	Post Election Audit	\$61.70
Petty Cash	Retirement Gift	\$100.00
A-OX Welding	Supplies	\$150.98
Amazon	Supplies	\$39.99
ArgoEcoPower LLC	Repairs	\$3,000.00
AT&T Mobility	Utilities	\$589.32
Axis Forensics Toxicology	Blood Panel	\$65.00
Brian Baldwin	EMT Services July	\$150.00
Beadle County Sheriff	Jail Fees	\$2,690.00
Bound Tree	Supplies	\$408.02
Brooks Oil Company	Supplies	\$6,208.40
Butler Equipment	Supplies	\$899.09
City of Woonsocket	Utilities	\$217.90
Clark Paving, LLC	Court House Parking Lot	\$5,455.67
Clayton's Repair	Repairs	\$6,165.41
CNH - Titan	Supplies	\$744.75
Davison County Auditor	VSO Services 3rd Qtr	\$2,062.50
State of South Dakota	Blood Draw	\$100.00
Devy Interpreting	Court Interpreting	\$67.25
ES&S	Supplies	\$1,256.02
Express 2	Fuel	\$686.94
Farmers Elevator Co	Fuel	\$67.00
FleetPride	Supplies	\$916.81
First National Bank Omaha	Supplies	\$163.21
Fordham Manufacturing, LLC	Repairs	\$300.50
Golden West	Supplies	\$697.83
Jason Howard	4-H Building Repairs	\$350.00

Lifquest	Quarterly Support 3rd Qtr	\$2,100.00
Mac's Hardware Store	Supplies	\$6.59
McLeod's Printing & Supply	Supplies	\$490.77
Mitchell Regional Ambulance	ALS Intercept	\$400.00
Napa Central	Supplies	\$513.92
Mark Neises	Mowing	\$540.00
Office Peeps	Supplies	\$101.74
Physicians Claims Company	Ambulance Service Fees May '26	\$1,078.36
Pilcher Law Firm, Prof, LLC	June & July Mycase	\$549.06
Premier Equipment	Supplies	\$963.08
Redwood Toxicology Laboratory	UA Cups	\$304.30
Runnings	Supplies	\$49.15
Ryan Baker Construction	Repairs	\$63,425.62
Safe Place of Eastern SD	Quarterly Support	\$1,015.37
Santel Communications	Utilities	\$1,277.01
SDAAO	Annual Assessor School	\$500.00
Sanborn Weekly Journal	Publishing	\$704.98
Tech Solutions	Tech Support	\$4,349.98
Thomson Reuters - West	Subscription-Law Books	\$1,413.40
Two-Way Solutions	2019 Tahoe	\$132.96
Verizon	Utilities	\$40.04
Xcel Energy	Utilities	\$60.54

HIGHWAY

Stacy Mendenhall and Sheri Kogel, Highway Department, met with the board. After renting a crack sealer to repair roads, Superintendent Mendenhall thinks the purchase of a crack sealer would be beneficial to the highway department. A crack sealer is available via online auction, but Mendenhall hasn't had the chance to look at it. Mendenhall will look at the sealer and follow up with the board at the next meeting. The highway budget was further discussed.

John Christopher joined the meeting to give explanation on his plans with the county road ditch on 397th avenue. Due to the extent of the work that Christopher did without permission from the board or highway, he will be responsible for all expenses to repair and put the right-of-way ditch back to its previous state. Christopher has the understanding and intentions of completing the project at his expense. Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Hinricher to allow Christopher to move forward with finishing the process, under the direction of Highway Superintendent Mendenhall. Motion carried. Because this is obstruction of the right-of-way, there may be additional charges forthcoming.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer to enter executive session per SDCL 1-25-2(3) for legal consulting at 9:13. Motion carried. Vice-Chairman Larson declared end of executive session at 9:28.

Electrical quotes were opened for the electrical work to be completed for the replacement shop at the highway.

Westendorf Electric - \$21,000

DB Electric - \$14,355

TC Enterprises - \$12,305.10

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer to have TC Enterprises complete the electrical work. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE READING FOR 2026-14 – SOLAR ORDINANCE

Motion by Hinricher, seconded by Blindauer to approve Ordinance 2026-14 regarding the Solar Ordinance. Motion carried.

Roll call vote: Hinricher, aye; Blindauer, aye; Peterson, aye; Larson, aye; Ebersdorfer, absent.

By recommendation from the Planning & Zoning board, a motion by Hinricher, seconded by Blindauer to approve the following resolution 2026-18 presented on behalf of Jay & Trudy Larson. Motion carried.

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Sanborn County, South Dakota. That the plat of LOT 2BC OF KILCOIN ADDITION IN THE WEST ½ OF THE NW ¼ OF SECTION 27, T 107 N, R 61 W OF THE 5TH P.M., SANBORN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, is hereby approved and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this resolution and certify the same.

Dated this 7th day of July, 2026.

/s/Steve Larson

Vice-Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners Sanborn County, South Dakota

The undersigned does hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Sanborn County, South Dakota, at a regular meeting held on July 7, 2026, approving the above-named plat.

/s/Kami Moody

Auditor, Sanborn County

By recommendation from the Planning & Zoning board, a motion by Hinricher, seconded by Blindauer to approve the following resolution 2026-19 presented on behalf of Cynthia Thompson. Motion carried.

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Sanborn County, South Dakota. That the plat of THOMPSON TRACT 1, A SUBDIVISION OF THE SW ¼ OF SECTION 27, T 105 N, R 62 W OF THE 5TH P.M., SANBORN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, is hereby approved and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this resolution and certify the same.

Dated this 7th day of July, 2026.

/s/Steve Larson

Vice-Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners Sanborn County, South Dakota

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/s/Kami Moody

Auditor, Sanborn County

APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER

Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Peterson, to accept Karen Krueger’s resignation letter and to appoint Amy Miiller as Treasurer, at the rate of \$25.86 per hour. Motion carried. The oath of office was taken by Miiller.

Motion by Hinricher, seconded by Peterson, to pay Karen Krueger \$25.00 per hour when she is training. Motion carried.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer, to remove Karen Krueger from all financial depositories, and to add Amy Miiller, Abby Mathis, and Kami Moody to the Dakotaland Federal Credit Union account. Motion carried.

SANBORN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Hanna Peterson, District Manager for the Sanborn County Conservation District, was present to make a formal request for funding. The Conservation District is requesting \$10,000 for 2027, to be built into the county budget for contributions. A final contribution decision will be made at the July 21 meeting.

SAFE PLACE OF EASTERN SOUTH DAKOTA

Coleen Hoffman, from Safe Place, Brenda Schmit, Board President and Sanborn County resident, and Kristen Swatus, Board Member, were present to discuss with the board the different services that they provide to Sanborn County residents. They also made a formal request for funding in the amount of \$3,500 for the 2027 budget year. With the tight budget, the board feels it’s necessary to lower the contribution amount, with a final decision being made at the July 21 meeting.

POST-ELECTION AUDIT RESULTS

Auditor Moody presented the results of the Post Election Audit for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election. The Governor and United States Representative races from Precinct 2 were audited, on June 23rd, by an appointed three-person post-election auditing board. After manually counting the races, the results all matched the election night tabulator count and county canvas with 100% accuracy.

OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

The Planning & Zoning minutes from June 1, 2026 were reviewed, discussed and approved.

Auditor Moody informed the board that the Ambulance is currently in the shop for repairs. It is expected to be in the shop for approximately six days. We are working with Jerauld County, Huron City, and Mitchell City for dispatching the ambulance when needed. Moody reached out to the company building the ambulance and it is expected to be completed with delivery in October. We will eagerly wait for the arrival.

There being no further business before the board, motion by Peterson, seconded by Hinricher to adjourn the meeting at 12:24 pm. Motion carried. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday July 21, 2026.

Kami Moody

Steve Larson

Sanborn County Auditor

Vice-Chairman of the Board, Sanborn County