

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS**SEPTEMBER 1, 2026**

Sanborn County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 8:55 am, with Chairman Jeff Ebersdorfer presiding. Present was Earl Hinricher, Gary Blindauer, and Duane Peterson. Absent was Steve Larson. Auditor Kami Moody was also present. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer, to approve the minutes from August 18 meeting, as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Peterson 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	\$2,337,966.05
Register of Deeds	\$ 3,826.00

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

Payroll before Deductions:

Commissioner		\$6,652.93
Auditor		\$10,036.43
Treasurer		\$8,858.81
States Attorney		\$6,471.15
Courthouse		\$5,022.90
Assessor		\$11,363.66
Register of Deeds		\$11,470.10
Sheriff		\$21,733.77
Public Welfare		\$1,008.88
Ambulance		\$2,973.41
Extension		\$5,193.28
Weed		\$3,926.83
Drainage		\$193.77
Planning & Zoning		\$0.00
Road & Bridge		\$47,859.48
Emergency Management		\$773.25
Sobriety		\$217.35
FNBO	Direct Deposit Fee	\$27.56
Wellmark BCBS	Insurance	\$20,912.62
AFLAC	Insurance	\$1,670.31

BEAM	Insurance	\$445.13
Bank West HAS	Insurance	\$575.00
SD Retirement System	Retirement	\$11,990.62
Delta Dental	Insurance	\$1,234.80
Small Business	Insurance	\$25.00
Sanborn County Treasurer	Taxes in Trust	\$190.67
Cincinnati Insurance Co.	Insurance	\$492.89
Colonial Life	Insurance	\$126.30
First National Bank SD	Tax Liability	\$17,342.59
Amazon	Supplies	\$129.96
AT&T Mobility	Utilities	\$643.46
Blue Law Firm LLP	Court Appointed Attorney Fees	\$568.48
Bound Tree	Supplies	\$1,840.76
Cedar Shore Resort	Tyler Technologies	\$152.12
Clayton's Repair	Repairs	\$2,773.86
Double D Body Shop	Repairs	\$6,622.24
Express Stop	Fuel	\$43.75
First National Bank Omaha	Supplies	\$920.69
KO's Pro Service	Repairs	\$558.35
Lewis Family Drug LLC	Medicine	\$38.18
Marshall & Swift	Renewal Notice	\$1,857.71
McLeods Printing & Supply	Supplies	\$189.90
Napa Central	Supplies	\$794.21
Mark Neises	Mowing	\$540.00
Office Peeps	Supplies	\$382.42
Physicians Claims Company	Ambulance Service Fees July	\$1,031.32
Pilcher Law Firm, Prof. LLC	MyCase Subscription	\$306.03
Safety Benefits, INC	Dues	\$150.00
Sonny Pierce	Painting at 4-H	\$6,600.00
Sanborn Weekly Journal	Publishing	\$112.00
TC Enterprises	Repairs	\$44.20
Titan Machinery	Rentals	\$1,919.52
Verizon	Utilities	\$40.04
WW Tire Service	Supplies	\$2,379.94

HIGHWAY

Stacy Mendenhall and Sheri Kogel, Highway Department, met with the board. Franchise agreements were discussed regarding the signatures needed for approvals. Mower tractor leases were discussed. The purchase of a crack sealer was discussed.

HIGHWAY 5-YEAR PLAN

The 5-year plan was presented for public review. Public in attendance were Stacy Mendenhall & Sheri Kogel, Highway Department; County Commissioners; Kami Moody, County Auditor; and Josh Starzman, Deputy Sheriff.

ADOPT BUDGET FOR 2027

Motion by Blindauer, second by Hinricher to approve Resolution 2026-20, Adoption of Annual Budget for Sanborn County, South Dakota. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2026-20

ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET FOR SANBORN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS, (7-21-5 thru 13), SDCL provides that the Board of County Commissioner shall each year prepare a Provisional Budget of all contemplated expenditures and revenues of the County and all its institutions and agencies for such fiscal year, and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners did prepare a Provisional Budget and cause same to be published by law, and,

WHEREAS, due and legal notice has been given to the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the consideration of such Provisional Budget and all changes, eliminations and additions have been made thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that such Provisional Budget as amended and all its purposes, schedules, appropriations, amounts, estimates and all matters therein set forth, shall be approved and adopted as THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES for Sanborn County, South Dakota, and all its institutions and agencies for calendar year beginning January 1, 2027 and ending December 31, 2027 and the same is hereby approved and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Sanborn County, South Dakota, this 1st day of September, 2026. The Annual Budget so adopted is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the county auditor of Sanborn County, South Dakota. The accompanying taxes are levied by Sanborn County for the year January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Sanborn County, South Dakota

/s/ Jeff Ebersdorfer, Earl Hinricher, Gary Blindauer, Duane Peterson

ATTEST:

/s/ Kami Moody, County Auditor

County Tax Levy for General Fund is \$2,233,777 for 2.572 per \$1,000 valuation.

Road & Bridge Levy is \$868,575 for 1.000 per \$1,000 valuation.

As of September 1, 2026, these levies have not been approved by the Department of Revenue.

WOONSOCKET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Development Corporation Members, Gay Swenson and Erin Hayes, were present for further discussion on the Jackson School. They are requesting that the Jackson school be placed on county land in Forestburg. Auditor Moody provided an insurance quote to the board, indicating what the cost would be for the county to place the building on county land. Hayes reported what the process would look like to obtain a historical marker for the building. The intention is to continue the historical livelihood of the school. More discussion will follow.

AMBULANCE CREW MEMBERS

Carie Fry, Aaron Fink, and Rick George, ambulance crew members, were present for discussion regarding grants, funds for 2027, and implementation of handbook requirements.

Motion by Hinricher, seconded by Blindauer, to require the following documents to be completed, in addition to the basic new hire paperwork, for any new members to the Ambulance; a medical clearance form signed by a medical professional provided by the county, and a physical agility test. All forms will need to be completed by each current member, to be completed within one year. Motion carried. A date will be coordinated with the ambulance crew, and an evaluator will be set for the agility tests to be completed.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Hinricher to purchase a Styker Power Load Cot System. Motion carried. Seventy percent of the funds for the system have been received via grants applied for by either the county or the ambulance.

JOSH STARZMAN, EMERGENCY MANAGER

Josh Starzman, Emergency Manager, gave an update to the board regarding radios for the ambulance crew; discussion on cameras for properties owned by the county; and the current records management system for the sheriff’s office.

Auditor Moody presented an agreement prepared by Jerauld County, for the purposes of combining the Emergency Management position for Jerauld and Sanborn counties. Motion by Hinricher, seconded by Peterson to approve Commissioner Chairman Ebersdorfer to sign the agreement with Jerauld County. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

Drainage Board minutes from August 12 were reviewed, discussed, and approved.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources was presented to the board for their review.

There was discussion regarding the polling location for the General Election.

Drainage Ditch 21 discussion took place, regarding the cleaning of a ditch and removal of a crossing.

County Offices will be closed on Monday September 7th in observance of Labor Day.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Hinricher to transfer \$1,817.29 from General Fund to Opioid Fund. Motion carried. Funds were wrongly deposited into the General Fund instead of the restricted Opioid Fund. This is a correction transfer.

There being no further business before the board, motion by Hinricher, seconded by Blindauer, to adjourn the meeting at 1:07 pm. Motion carried. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday September 22, 2026.

Kami Moody

Jeff Ebersdorfer

Sanborn County Auditor

Chairman of the Board, Sanborn County