

**STANLEY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
August 4, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Stanley County Commission was called to order at 5:01 P.M.(CT) by Chairman Dana Iversen with Commissioners Mike Kenzy, Craig Heller, Sonny Harrowa and Gary Grittner. Also present was Treasurer Bill Konst, Highway Superintendent Lee Smith, Emergency Manager Dustin Baxter, Raymond Tibbs, Darla Tibbs, Doty Garrity, Shirley Swanson, Community Youth Involved Center Jill Edgman, Pierre Area Referral Service Corwin Jones, Lori Jacobson, Fort Pierre Fire Department Chief John Meligan, Mayor Greg Kenzy, Northeast LLC/The Roofers LLC Mylun Tikka, Justin Jones and Auditor Philena Burtch. The meeting commenced with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Motion by Craig Heller, second by Sonny Harrowa, to approve the Agenda. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Mike Kenzy, second by Sonny Harrowa, to approve July 7, 2026 Minutes and July 29, 2026 Minutes. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

CLAIMS: Motion by Gary Grittner, second by Criag Heller, to approve Claims as presented. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

AIRTECH HEATING & COOLING INC	306.50	GOV BLDG REPAIR & MAINT
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	850.62	GOV BLDG/DOE/EM SUPPL
AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE INC	4156.93	JULY SUBSIDY BILLING
RENEE ANDERSEN	274.78	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
ARAMARK	174.70	R&B MAINT
AT&T MOBILITY	1519.57	CELL PHONES
BRANT BILLINGS	405.00	HAY BALES
APRIL & DIRK BOOMSMA	120.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
CARMELLA BOURK	178.16	TAX REFUND 3454
LILA BRIGGS	270.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
TEE & HOLLY BURRESS	50.00	4H FINALS ELEC HOOKUP OVERPMNT
CAPITAL AREA COUNSELING INC	1175.00	JUNE MCR
CATLIN'S CAR CLINIC	432.80	FRGRNDS REPAIR-2011 FORD
CENTRAL CULVERT SUPPLY	21710.00	R&B SUPPL
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	329.43	COPIER LEASE & COPIES
CENTURYLINK	85.28	4 CORNERS REPEATER
CHOLIK SIGNS	1070.00	EM/FRGRNDS MAINT/EQUIP
CHRISTY LUMBER	110.00	FAIRGRNDS MAINT
CLEARFLY	360.40	OFFICE PHONES
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	476.75	JULY MINS/RUNOFF BALLOT
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER INC	480.00	R&B ANNUAL TOWER LEASE
COMMUNITY YOUTH INVOLVED INC	2083.33	AUGUST SUPPORT
COWBOY COUNTRY STORES	291.70	GOV BLDG/EM FUEL
SANDY CRONIN	243.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
RODNEY CUDMORE	242.04	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
DAKOTA DATA SHRED	66.75	AUD MAINT
JLF ENTERPRISES INC	45.36	ELEC/R&B SUPPL
SCOTT DEAL	123.80	FRGRNDS SUPPL REIMB
JOHN DUFFY	80.00	CH SHOP LOT RENT
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	422.67	PRIMARY RUNOFF ELEC
FLEET SERVICES	2726.63	R&B/FRGRNDS/EM FUEL
FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	267.37	R&B SUPPL
FORT PIERRE FIRE DEPT	26633.21	FIRE PREMIUM REFUND
FORT PIERRE CITY	19367.02	DUE TO CITY OF FORT PIERRE
FORT PIERRE CITY	252.89	EXT COPIER LEASE/FRGRNDS REPR
FORT PIERRE CITY	4890.55	UTILITIES
FORT PIERRE MOTEL	4855.20	4TH OF JULY RODEO
FOUR CORNERS FIRE DEPTMENT	7534.39	FIRE INSURANCE REFUND

MARY BETH FRAVEL	243.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
FRIMAN OIL & GAS INC	16797.96	R&B GREASE/DYED DIESEL
JACOB GARON	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
GOLDEN WEST TELECOMMUNICATIONS	200.00	E-911
GRAHAM TIRE COMPANY	262.44	R&B REPAIR/SUPPL-G5
GROSSENBURG IMPLEMENT OF PIERR	690.11	R&B SUPPL
ARLETTE HALL	238.02	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
CHAUNTEL HANTEN	160.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
HAYES COMMUNITY HALL	50.00	RUNOFF ELECTION
KEVA HEDMAN	288.85	R&B SUPPL REIMB
CHIP AND MINDY HEIDLER	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
HOGEN'S HARDWARE HANK	19.95	R&B SUPPL
HOGEN'S HARDWARE HANK	74.92	FAIRGROUNDS MAINT
CODY L HONEYWELL	4941.00	CRT APPT ATTRNY
HUGHES COUNTY FINANCE OFFICE	12600.00	JUNE JAIL BILLING
IAAO	625.00	DOE ANNUAL SCHOOL
INLAND TRUCK PARTS	95.13	R&B SUPPL
DANA IVERSEN	1540.00	FRGRNDS HAY BALES
BELLEN M JACOBSEN	243.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
JC OFFICE SUPPLIES	132.56	R&B SUPPL
GLEN AND ELKE KING	50.00	4H FINALS ELEC HOOKUP OVERPMNT
LURA KIRKPATRICK	399.60	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
WILLIAM KONST	78.12	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
EILEEN KRAMER	238.69	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
LAMB'S CHEVROLET & IMPLEMENT	185.42	FRGRNDS MAINT
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	526.92	R&B MAINT/SUPPL
LOCATORS & SUPPLIES INC	321.10	R&B MAINT/SUPPL
CODY AND TRACY MAHER	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
THOMAS P MAHER	23.38	JULY EXPENSES
MAY ADAM GERDES & THOMPSON LLP	195.20	CRT APPT ATTRNY
BARBARA MCQUISTION	302.92	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
MENARDS - PIERRE	308.10	GOV BLDG/FRGRNDS/R&B SUPPL
CURT MERRIMAN PRINTING	2690.00	4TH OF JULY RODEO
GAYLE A MERSCHEIM	234.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
KEVIN MERSCHEIM	63.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATION	180.60	R&B PHONES & INTERNET
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATION	289.51	OFFICE PHONES & INTERNET
MIDLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT	876.09	FIRE PREMIUM REFUND
NANCY JO MIKKELSEN	243.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO	24.03	R&B NATURAL GAS
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO	95.50	CH BLDG/FRGRNDS NATURAL GAS
NAPA	115.36	GOV BLDG/EM SUPPL
JOANN NELSEN	252.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS INC	343.60	GOV BLDG SUPPL
JAY AND ABBY OLSON	50.00	4H FINALS ELEC HOOKUP OVERPMNT
CITY OF PIERRE	7605.95	JULY MED DIR/3RD QTR E911
PITNEY BOWES	751.81	POSTAGE
CHAD AND JENNIFER PRICE	50.00	4H FINALS ELEC HOOKUP OVERPMNT
VEONA C PRINCE	269.13	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
QUILL CORPORATION	364.04	OFFICE SUPPL
RAY'S GARAGE	2516.42	EM 2011 FORD
RIVER BOTTOM SANITATION INC	1613.61	GOV BLDG/FRGRNDS TRASH BILLING
ROBINS WATER CONDITIONING INC	12.00	R&B SUPPL
RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC	153.32	R&B SUPPL
RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC	1490.69	FRGRNDS/EM SUPPL
RUSHMORE COMMUNICATIONS INC	2806.28	EM RADIO EQUIP
STANLEY COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT	439.83	US MARSHAL REIMB
STANLEY COUNTY SCHOOL DIST	42018.41	DUE TO SC SCHOOL
STANLEY COUNTY TREASURER	33.20	EM 2011 FORD LICENSE/TITLE
NORMA SCHILLING	243.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
JEFF SCHREIBER	7953.87	FRGRNDS REPAIR

SD ASSN OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER	1681.00	3RD QTR CLERP
SD ASSN OF COUNTY OFFICIALS	106.00	ROD M/P FUND
SD ASSOC OF COUNTY OFFICIALS	750.00	FALL CONVENTION
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	122951.38	MV/VITALS/MENTAL ILLNESS
SD PROPERTY MANAGEMENT	10000.00	EM 2011 F250 FORD
SDEMA	175.00	EM ANNUAL CONF & DUES
SERVALL UNIFORM/LINEN CO	146.00	GOV BLDG SUPPL
SHARPE RENTALS INC	700.00	FRGRNDS EQUIP RENTAL
SIEBRASSE LAW OFFICE PC	4498.35	CRT APPT ATTRNY
STATE 4-H OFFICE	27.00	4-H/EXT STATE FAIR
BEVERLY STOESER	54.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
MARTY SWALLOW	77.52	MV OVERPAYMENT
BAILEY TIBBS	186.00	4TH OF JULY RODEO-GOATS
TITAN MACHINERY	296.90	R&B SUPPL
TWOTREES TECHNOLOGIES	1483.40	SRVR MAINT
NICK AND BROOKE UHERKA	50.00	4H FINALS ELEC HOOKUP OVERPMNT
WHEELHOUSE PLUMBING INC	2948.24	FRGRNDS MAINT
BARBARA WOOD	252.00	RUNOFF ELECTION BRD
WW TIRE SERVICE INC	50.00	R&B REPAIR-TR16
ZANDER AUTO PARTS	271.32	R&B SUPPL

Conflict of Interest Declaration: No conflicts of interest were declared.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Bill Konst informed the Commission of interest earned for July 2026 is \$12,078.53, Wheel Tax collection is \$13,218.00, and delinquent taxes to collect is \$49,954.43.

Auditor Report: Auditor Philena Burtch presented the Commissioners with the Budget Expenditure Report showing each department's expenses as of June 30, 2026, Fiscal Revenue Report as of June 30, 2026 and Outstanding Disbursements as of August 4, 2026.

SALARIES BY OFFICE: Commissioners - \$3,888.26; Auditor - \$8,270.23; Treasurer - \$9,079.17; States Attorney - \$17,994.68; Custodial - \$4,418.95; Director of Equalization - \$8,250.48; Register of Deeds - \$6,955.91; Road & Bridge - \$48,541.39; Weed & Pest - \$708.48; Fairgrounds - \$22,498.06; Extension - \$2,190.65; Employee Health Insurance - \$20,544.09; SD Retirement System, withheld and match - \$17,030.04; Electronic Transfer; FICA, Medicare and Withholding Tax - \$38,883.15.

Register of Deeds:

Regular Fees July 2026 - \$ 991.50
Transfer Fees July 2026 - \$ 1,992.45

Raise – Deputy Treasurer Tayler Jones – 50¢ 12 Month: Motion by Gary Grittner, second by Craig Heller, to approve Deputy Treasurer Tayler Jones 50¢ 12 Month Raise effective August 25, 2026. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Budget – Community Youth Center – Pierre Area Referral Service – Fort Pierre Fire Department:

Community Youth Center - Jill Edgman informed the Commission that the Center is busy with the summer program, which is being run by Tayler Johnson. Tayler is doing great with the kids' activities, and during the school year, she takes care of the tutoring program. Senior nutrition is up, 85-90 meals on wheels each day. The recipient must sign for the meal, which also serves as a good check-in on the people. New policies have been implemented as an accounting service is taking care of all the accounts receivable and account payable, the CYI board approves all accounts payable.

Pierre Area Referral Service: Corwin Jones thanked the commission for the support for 2026. PARS takes care of the food pantry, assists with utilities, rent, diapers, school supplies, medicine, and more. They served 8,641 people, more than 500 people are Stanley County residents. The cost of everything continues to increase. PARS also does the Back Pack Program, 26 Stanley County students are signed up for the Back Pack Program. Lori Jacobson is on the PARS board, she stated that it is getting harder to keep people in their

housing, they continue to work with landlords to keep people from being homeless. PARS also assists people with creating a budget.

Fort Pierre Fire Department: John Meligan stated that currently the department has 35 volunteer members and 3 cadets. So far for 2026 the department has responded to 26 calls. John explained that they are planning to update the existing fire hall, they are asking for more funding to help with the updates. They have been awarded a Grant to help purchase new nozzles, fire-fighting equipment, etc. the Grant match is \$7,000.00. The department has applied for another Grant to help purchase safety equipment. John stated that there is still talk about a second fire hall, however, updating the existing 50+ year old fire hall is a necessity right now.

Discussion: Shirley Swanson brought attention to the condition of Cedar Hill Road. Shirley asked if something could be done to mitigate to fix the road, the deep cracks are across the road making travel rough and dangerous in some spots.

Mayor Greg Kenzy presented a property tax revenue from city to county suggesting the City should get a 34% of motor vehicle licensing, titling and wheel tax reimbursement from the County. It was explained that by codified law the City receives what codified law states is owed.

Highway Department: Lee Smith presented the Commission with a report of work performed by the Highway Department for the month of July 2026, which consists of hauling gravel, blading and laying gravel on War Creek Road, Bob Calkins Sr Road, John Reitz Road, Bill Wyly Road, Fluharty Road, mowing, replace culvert on County Line Road, prep for culvert replacement on Fluharty Road, weed control on War Creek Road, service and maintain equipment.

Pickup: Motion by Gary Grittner, second by Craig Heller, to approve the purchase of a 2025 Chevy Silverado 1500 DBL WT 4WD pickup from Lamb Chevrolet in the amount of \$38,965.00. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Lee Smith presented the Commission with a quote from Butler CAT for a new Caterpillar Model 150JOY4-B Motor Grader in the amount of \$488,668.96.

County Shop Roof & Hayes County Shop Roof – Lee Smith received one bid for roof repairs. Motion by Sonny Harrowa, second by Gary Grittner, to approve the roof repairs for the Hayes County Shop from Northeast LLC, in the amount of \$65,486.85 plus state excise tax, if Lee approves of the work, then Northeast LLC has approval to complete the roof repairs for the County Shop, in the amount of \$116,843.30 plus state excise tax, not to exceed \$186,051.51 for both roofs. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Stanley County/Jones County Haul Road – Chairman Iversen attended a meeting with Jones County, they are working on a haul road agreement with the landowners along the access trail from Jones County into Stanley County. Chairman Iversen feels it would be beneficial for Stanley County to be a part of the haul road agreement.

Emergency Management Services – Monthly Report: Dustin Baxter informed the Commission that Stanley County has been awarded a 2025 Grant for a generator switch for the courthouse. The 2026 Grant application has been submitted for a generator for the courthouse.

Dustin Baxter is planning a public pre-mitigation plan meeting in September.

Dustin Baxter informed the Commission that the hill slide has moved four feet as of July 31st. Dustin is waiting to hear from the State if there is any possible funding available. The County's generator has been running the Casey Tibbs Rodeo Center for four days, since Saturday. The generator was serviced today. The City is working on getting a new electrical line to the rodeo center with hopes to be done by the end of the week.

Dustin Baxter showed the Commission the new website, it is now live. There are lots of new informative features. Our website address is stanleycountysd.gov

Community outreach programs connect vulnerable populations with essential services, support, and resources to improve quality of life and foster community engagement. Dustin, and other agencies, will be teaching CPR, stop the bleed, epinephrine and Naloxone use to teachers before the school year begins.

Discussion: Raymond Tibbs asked if we have heard anything more regarding the neighbor issue? We are gathering the information needed for the investigation.

Emergency Medical Services Agreement: Motion by Gary Grittner, second by Sonny Harrowa, to accept and approve Chairman Iversen to sign the updated Emergency Medical Services Agreement that includes the new medical director. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Automatic Budget Supplement – Fairgrounds Equipment and Road & Bridge Equipment: Motion by Sonny Harrowa, second by Mike Kenzy, to approve Automatic Budget Supplement in the amount of \$2,154.39 to Fairgrounds Equipment (101-524-434.30), to reflect payment from State of South Dakota Spring Auction, sale of surplus equipment. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Craig Heller, second by Mike Kenzy, to approve Automatic Budget Supplement in the amount of \$4,284.29 to Road & Bridge Equipment (201-311-434.40) to reflect payment from State of South Dakota Spring Auction, sale of surplus equipment. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Oahe Riding Club Annual Raffle: Motion by Sonny Harrowa, second by Craig Heller, to approve Oahe Riding Club Annual Raffle. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Provisional Budget: Motion by Gary Grittner, second by Craig Heller, to approve to publish the Notice of Hearing of the Provisional Budget for 2027. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Executive Session – Care of Poor – SDCL 28-13-1: Motion by Craig Heller, second by Gary Grittner, to go into Executive Session-Care of Poor-SDCL 28-13-1 at 6:26 P.M. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Chairman Iversen declared to reconvene at 6:29 P.M.

Motion by Sonny Harrowa, second by Gary Grittner, to approve Care of Poor Case #3906, in the amount of \$3,000.00, payable to Isburg Funeral Chapels. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Adjournment: Motion by Mike Kenzy, second by Craig Heller, to adjourn at 6:46 P.M. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Philena Burtch, Auditor

BOARD OF STANLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Dana Iversen, Chairman