

STANLEY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
September 1, 2026

The regular meeting of the Stanley County Commission was called to order at 5:00 P.M.(CT) by Chairman Dana Iversen with Commissioners Mike Kenzy, Craig Heller, Sonny Harrowa and Gary Grittner. Also present was State's Attorney Tom P. Maher, Treasurer Bill Konst, Highway Superintendent Lee Smith, Emergency Manager Dustin Baxter, SD GF&P Nathan Baker, Kevin Hoffman, City of Fort Pierre Mayor Greg Kenzy, Chris Carter, Raymond Tibbs, Darla Tibbs, Dodie Garrity, Lori Jacobson, Mindy Kirkpatrick, Justin Jones and Auditor Philena Burtch. The meeting commenced with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Mike Kenzy, second by Sonny Harrowa, to approve August 4, 2026 Minutes and August 5, 2026 Minutes. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

CLAIMS: Motion by Craig Heller, second by Sonny Harrowa, to approve Claims as presented. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

ALL AROUND GRAPHIX	129.03	EM SUPPL
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	836.39	GOV BLDG/EM SUPPL
AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE INC	4156.93	AUGUST SUBSIDY BILLING
ARAMARK	202.20	R&B MAINT
AT&T MOBILITY	455.39	CELL PHONES
AXIS FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY INC	295.00	TOXICOLOGY TESTS
BOTTOM LINE WELDING	141.50	R&B SUPPL
BUTLER MACHINERY CO	106.63	R&B SUPPL
CELERITY INTERNET	146.89	FRGRNDS WIFI
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	300.42	COPIER LEASE & COPIES
CENTURYLINK	85.28	4 CORNERS REPEATER
DUSTIN AND KELLI CERMAK	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
CHOLIK SIGNS	465.00	FRGRNDS/R&B SUPPL
CHARLIE & RANDI CHRISTENSEN	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
AMY CLARK	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
CLEARFLY	360.40	OFFICE PHONES
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	734.57	COMM MINS/PROV BUDGET
COMMTECH INC	590.20	GOV BLDG MAINT
COMMUNITY YOUTH INVOLVED INC	2083.34	SEPTEMBER SUPPORT
COWBOY COUNTRY STORES	259.61	GOV BLDG/DOE/FRGRNDS FUEL
D&L MOBILE SERVICE AND REPAIR	885.13	GENERATOR MAINT
DAKOTA DATA SHRED	66.75	AUD MAINT
JLF ENTERPRISES INC	281.72	GOV BLDG/FRGRNDS/R&B SUPPL
CHRISTOPHER & MARIA DE YOUNG	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
JOHN DUFFY	80.00	CH SHOP LOT RENT
RYAN AND JESSICA ELDEEN	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	1000.00	RUNOFF ELECTION
EXTREME TECHNOLOGY	1420.98	ANNUAL MAINT AGRMNT
FACTOR 360	3685.00	WEB DESIGN/ANNUAL DOMAIN
BRADLEY AND TARA FENENGA	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
GINGER FENWICK	38.68	RUNOFF POST ELEC AUDIT
FLEET SERVICES	2104.28	R&B/FRGRNDS/EM FUEL
COLT AND ROBYN FLOYD	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	30.95	R&B SUPPL
FORT PIERRE CITY	16328.72	DUE TO CITY OF FORT PIERRE
FORT PIERRE CITY	4480.24	UTILITIES
FORUM COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY	295.80	R&B ANNUAL SUBSCRPTN
PAUL GAIKOWSKI	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND

TRAVIS GOINGS	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
GOLDEN WEST TELECOMMUNICATIONS	200.00	E-911
GROSSENBURG IMPLEMENT OF PIERR	118.06	R&B SUPPL
GINA HANSEN	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
JUSTIN AND SHELLEY HEATH	160.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
MISTY HECK	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
WES AND MEGAN HICKEY	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
HOGEN'S HARDWARE HANK	26.88	FRGRNDS SUPPL
HOGEN'S HARDWARE HANK	74.22	R&B SUPPL
ISBURG FUNERAL CHAPELS	3000.00	CARE OF POOR CASE 3906
ALLEN JOCKHECK	36.00	RUNOFF POST ELEC AUDIT
JOHNSON CONTROLS BLDG SOLUTNS	2264.89	CH BLDG BOILER REPAIR & MAINT
SAMMI JOHNSON & SCOTT PARSONS	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
JANIS JONES	36.00	RUNOFF POST ELEC AUDIT
GLEN AND ELKE KING	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
KIRBY D KROGMAN	3088.00	CRT APPT ATTRNY
LAMB'S CHEVROLET & IMPLEMENT	38965.00	R&B 2025 CHEVY PICKUP
CHAD AND TINA LAMMERS	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
LARRY'S PLUMBING LLC	8274.00	FRGRNDS REPAIR & MAINT
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	400.97	R&B SUPPL/MAINT
AARON AND TANA LINDSKOV	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
JOE AND MANDY LOCKEN	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
THOMAS P MAHER	137.42	AUGUST EXPENSES
MAY ADAM GERDES & THOMPSON LLP	122.00	CRT APPT ATTRNY
MENARDS - PIERRE	108.78	GOV BLDG SUPPL
MG OIL COMPANY	475.52	R&B SUPPL
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS INC	395.00	ROD EQUIP RENTAL
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATION	289.51	OFFICE INTERNET
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATION	181.70	R&B PHONE & INTERNET
MIDWEST OIL COMPANY	187.54	R&B SUPPL
BRANDON AND WANDA MITCHELL	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO	91.83	CH/FRGRNDS NATURAL GAS
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO	24.81	COUNTY SHOP NATURAL GAS
CODY AND HEATHER MOORE	120.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
BILL NACHTIGAL	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
NORTHEAST LLC	66823.44	HAYES COUNTY SHOP ROOF
KIRBY O'DEA	43.00	R&B CDL
DAVID AND VALERIE OHRTMAN	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
BRAD AND MICHELLE PAULI	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
PIERRE SOLID WASTE FACILITY	9.90	W&P MAINT
JUSTIN AND BRANDI PIHL	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	178.98	POSTAGE METER LEASE
PITNEY BOWES INC	338.61	POSTAGE METER SUPPL
PITNEY BOWES	395.03	POSTAGE
PITNEY BOWES INC	59.22	POSTAGE PURCHASE POWER
PRIA	200.00	ROD ANNUAL CONF
QUILL CORPORATION	1042.95	OFFICE SUPPL
R & W CONSTRUCTION LLC	5654.90	LOG CABIN SIDEWALK
REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY	56.14	TOXICOLOGY TESTS
SHAWN AND HEIDI REIS	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
RIVER BOTTOM SANITATION INC	1516.24	GOV BLDG/FRGRNDS TRASH BILLNG
ROAD GROOM MANUFACTURING	21500.00	R&B ROAD GROOMER
ROBINS WATER CONDITIONING INC	12.00	R&B SUPPL
RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC	431.79	FRGRNDS MAINT
RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC	88.92	R&B SUPPL
STANLEY CO REGISTER OF DEEDS	270.30	DEPOSIT TICKETS
STANLEY CO SCHOOL DIST	12104.45	DUE TO SC SCHOOL
STANLEY COUNTY TREASURER	33.20	R&B 2025 CHEVY LICENSE/TITLE
JEFF SCHREIBER	96.94	GOV BLDG MAINT
JOAN BOOS SCHUELLER	2556.00	CRT APPT ATTRNY
SD PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY	435.00	BLOOD TESTS

SD DEPT OF REVENUE	280594.34	MV/VITALS/MENTAL ILL
SD STATE TREASURER	6862.72	ANNUAL SALES TAX
SD ASSN OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER	450.00	FALL CONF/DEPUTY WRKSH
SD ASSN OF COUNTY OFFICIALS	112.00	ROD M&P FUND
SD LTAP	125.00	R&B LOCAL RD CONFERENCE
SERVALL UNIFORM/LINEN CO	146.00	GOV BLDG SUPPL
SIEBRASSE LAW OFFICE PC	1414.64	CRT APPT ATTRNY
SIOUX NATION OF FORT PIERRE	7429.98	W&P SUPPL
RAYCHEL AND CRAIG STERKEL	160.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
JOHN AND SARAH STRANG	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
WADE AND DULCIE SWAN	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
JODI AND KEITH THEISEN	80.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
K THOMPSON LAW PROF LLC	4104.20	CRT APPT ATTRNY
TIGER'S FIRE EXTINGUISHER INC	241.00	EM SUPPL
TWOTREES TECHNOLOGIES	17910.95	NEW SERVER
NICK AND BROOKE UHERKA	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
TYLER VAN WINKLE	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
BRUCE AND PAM VOLLAN	40.00	4H FINALS STALL REFUND
WALK-N-ROLL	384.29	R&B SUPPL/MAINT-G7
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SERVICES	22845.57	FRGRNDS 2025 TOOLCAT
WHEELHOUSE PLUMBING INC	127.44	FRGRNDS REPAIR & MAINT
WW TIRE SERVICE INC	1993.09	R&B SUPPL/REPAIR
THE ORIGINAL YP NETWORK	495.00	R&B SUPPL
ZANDER AUTO PARTS	182.75	FRGRNDS MAINT
ZANDER AUTO PARTS	262.95	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 August 2026 is \$9,169.15, Wheel Tax collection is \$7,606.61, and delinquent taxes to collect is \$46,978.72.

Auditor Report: Auditor Philena Burtch presented the Commissioners with the Budget Expenditure Report showing each department's expenses as of July 31, 2026, Fiscal Revenue Report as of July 31, 2026 and Outstanding Disbursements as of September 1, 2026.

SALARIES BY OFFICE: Commissioners - \$3,962.60; Auditor - \$5,829.96; Treasurer - \$5,941.76; States Attorney - \$11,333.52; Custodial - \$2,938.85; Director of Equalization - \$5,042.29; Register of Deeds - \$4,719.12; Road & Bridge - \$33,863.95; Weed & Pest - \$465.00; Fairgrounds - \$14,886.04; Extension - \$2,430.58; Employee Health Insurance - \$23,625.10; SD Retirement System, withheld and match - \$11,096.34; Electronic Transfer; FICA, Medicare and Withholding Tax - \$26,442.50.

Register of Deeds:

Regular Fees August 2026 - \$ 2,639.13

Transfer Fees August 2026 - \$ 4,122.50

Post Election Audit Report: Auditor Burtch informed the Commission that the Post-Election Audit went very well. The Board hand counted 751 ballots, Precinct 01 South Dakota Governor runoff contest. With training and the hand count, it took short of two hours to complete. The hand count was 100% spot on with the tabulator reports from the July 28, 2026 Primary Runoff Election.

SD Game Fish & Parks – Fairgrounds GF&P Easement/Game Production Access: Nathan Baker and Kevin Hoffman presented the Commission with a SD Game Fish and Parks Schomer Draw GPA Access Proposal. The top priority is habitat and getting people into areas for hunting. GF&P would like to work with the County to get access to more area south of the fairgrounds, on State land. GF&P will build a fence to give people access to hunting along the Missouri River. Suggestion of a new fence from designated walk-in gate east towards the Missouri River to the willows. The existing fence is barbed wire; the new fence should be the same material. GPA – Game Production Area. The fence would help to separate the fairgrounds from the

GPA hunting area to keep everyone safe. Security side – the fence should have signs designating the area for parking and walking. Need to keep in mind of the privately owned property in the area.

Highway Department: Lee Smith presented the Commission with a report of work performed by the Highway Department for the month of August 2026, which consists of hauling gravel, blading and laying gravel on Fluharty Road, Berry Loop, Don Smith Road, War Creek Road, Bob Calkins Sr Road, N Brown Church Road, Chantier Creek, Hayes Road, Bad River Road, mowing, culvert work on County Line Road and Fluharty Road, service and maintain equipment.

Raise – Highway Department Brandon Potter 50¢ 6 Month: Motion by Gary Grittner, second by Craig Heller, to approve Highway Department Brandon Potter 50¢ 6-Month raise, effective September 30, 2026. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Hayes County Shop Roof & County Shop Roof: Lee Smith informed the Commission that the Hayes County Shop Roof has been replaced. Lee plans to inspect the roof and then Lee will decide if Northeast LLC can replace the county shop roof in town.

Discussion: Mayor Greg Kenzy informed the Commission that two-thirds of the wheel tax is generated by city residents. Greg would like to the County to consider giving the City a portion of the collected wheel tax. The Commission will review the original Wheel Tax Ordinance.

Gravel Pit Haul Road Easement - Stanley County/Jones County Haul Road: Jones County is corresponding with the property owner on the haul road agreement.

Emergency Management Services – Monthly Report: Dustin Baxter informed the Commission that he is working with CSDED on our mitigation plan. Baxter and other agencies taught two classes to teachers in both Stanley County and Pierre School Districts before the school year started. They went over First Aid, CPR, stop the bleed, epinephrine and Naloxone.

Arial Wildland Fire Governors Resolution 2026-10: Baxter informed the Commission that Governor Rhoden signed Executive Order 2026-10 in August stating that the continuing state of drought emergency exists statewide that requires the augmentation of state resources for wildland fire outside the Black Hills Forest Fire Protection District, specifically that state aerial firefighter resources may be utilized in coordination with the Department of Public Safety, to local government efforts in the protection of lives and property. Stanley County will follow our Resolution 2026-07 Wildland Fire Division Designee if outside efforts are needed. The State will cover firefighter resources through November 15, 2026.

Position Task Book: Baxter informed the Commission that the State OEM is pushing to have this book in place. Baxter is working on it.

Regional Emergency Operations Center Staffing: Baxter informed the Commission that since the weather event in Highmore this summer, the State OEM is pushing for more counties to have the ability to assist other counties.

Hill Slide: Baxter informed the Commission that the hill slide continues to move as the hill is monitored daily. The railroad has been doing all they can do to keep the trains running. Governor Rhoden, Senator Mike Rounds and District 24 State Representative Mike Weisgram have all taken notice of the severity of the hill slide. A joint meeting is being planned for the near future.

Central SD Winter Outlook 2026-2027: Baxter presented the Commission with a Winter 2026-27 Seasonal Hazard Outlook. We are in an El Nino' pattern which means warmer than normal, dryer than normal, light snow blowing, blizzard like conditions, warm, freeze, warm, snow, creating slush and ice. South Dakota runs on a 6–10-year cycle, we are in year 8 and it looks to be severe drought for 2027.

Executive Session – Personnel – SDCL 1-25-2(6)(c): Motion by Craig Heller, second by Sonny Harrowa, to go into Executive Session-Personnel-SDCL 1-25-2(6)(c) at 6:17 P.M. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Chairman Iversen declared to reconvene at 6:34 P.M.

Abatements – Record #9193 and Record #8888: Motion by Craig Heller, second by Sonny Harrowa, to approve Abatement request for Record #9193 for 2023 Pay 2024 in the amount of \$148.60 plus interest; 2024 Pay 2025 in the amount of \$137.14 plus interest; 2025 Pay 2026 in the amount of \$134.12 plus interest, as this mobile home has been abandoned and is inhabitable -- \$419.86 plus interest. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Mike Kenzy, second by Sonny Harrowa, to approve Abatement request for Record #8888 for 2022 Pay 2023 in the amount of \$25.50 plus interest; 2023 Pay 2024 in the amount of \$28.80 plus interest; 2024 Pay 2025 in the amount of \$29.88 plus interest; 2025 Pay 2026 in the amount of \$19.97 plus interest, as this mobile home has been abandoned and is inhabitable -- \$104.15 plus interest. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Property Tax Relief – SB96 – Local Relief – Owner-Occupied Property Tax Relief: Before any decision is made the Commission would like to invite SD Department of Revenue to a Commission meeting to clarify the process and the projected outcome.

Automatic Budget Supplement – Fairgrounds Maintenance: Motion by Gary Grittner, second by Sonny Harrowa, to approve Automatic Budget Supplement in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Fairgrounds Maintenance (101-524-425.00), to reflect 3rd Quarter subsidy from City of Fort Pierre. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Budget: Final Budget Meeting will be September 22, 2026, at 5:00 P.M.

Upcoming Conferences: Director of Equalization Annual Vanguard Conference – SD County Officials Fall Conference – Emergency Manager Annual Conference

Adjournment: Motion by Craig Heller, second by Gary Grittner, to adjourn at 8:25 P.M. All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:
(SEAL)
Philena Burtch, Auditor

BOARD OF STANLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Dana Iversen, Chairman