**COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS**
**NOVEMBER 6, 2026**

Sanborn County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 6, 2026, at 9:00 am, with Chairman Jeff Ebersdorfer presiding. Present were Steve Larson, Earl Hinricher, Gary Blindauer, and Duane Peterson. Auditor Kami Moody was also present. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer, to approve the minutes from October 20 meeting, as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Hinricher to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**REPORTS & BILLS**

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| Auditor and Treasurer in all accounts | $4,529,876.67 |
| Register of Deeds | $ 2,638.00 |

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer to pay the following bills. Motion carried.
October payroll before Deductions:

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| Commissioner | | $6,652.93 |
| Auditor | | $10,036.42 |
| Treasurer | | $8,858.81 |
| States Attorney | | $6,409.14 |
| Courthouse | | $5,022.90 |
| Assessor | | $11,188.37 |
| Register of Deeds | | $11,470.11 |
| Sheriff | | $21,642.48 |
| Public Welfare | | $1,008.87 |
| Ambulance | | $3,361.37 |
| Extension | | $3,756.92 |
| Weed | | $3,926.83 |
| Drainage | | $129.18 |
| Planning & Zoning | | $193.77 |
| Road & Bridge | | $62,900.74 |
| Emergency Management | | $773.25 |
| Sobriety | | $217.36 |
| Wellmark BCBS | Insurance | $20,912.62 |
| AFLAC | Insurance | $1,787.17 |
| BEAM | Insurance | $445.13 |
| Bank West HAS | Insurance | $575.00 |
| Delta Dental | Insurance | $1,107.30 |
| Small Business | Insurance | $25.00 |
| Cincinnati Insurance Co. | Insurance | $492.89 |

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| Colonial Life | Insurance | $126.30 |
| First National Bank SD | Tax Liability | $20,310.68 |
| Jury Duty | Jury Duty & Mileage | $687.84 |
| SD Retirement System | Retirement | $13,416.30 |
| Sanborn County Treasurer | Taxes in Trust | $14,564.51 |
| Accounts Management | Employee Garnishment | $43.50 |
| Quadient Leasing | Rent | $606.33 |
| Agtegra Coop | Chemical | $53,275.00 |
| Amazon | Supplies | $492.10 |
| AmericInn | Travel | $352.50 |
| AT&T Mobility | Utilities | $649.91 |
| Beadle County Sheriff | Jail Fees | $2,665.00 |
| Bierschbach | Crack Sealer | $78,145.00 |
| Butler Equipment Co | Supplies | $928.08 |
| CHN- Productivity | Supplies | $5,400.00 |
| Davison County Sheriff | Jail Fees | $5,775.00 |
| Dawson Construction | Utilities | $291.90 |
| ES&S | Ballots | $649.57 |
| Express 2 | Fuel | $649.30 |
| Express Stop | Fuel | $13.50 |
| KO'S Pro Service | Repairs | $268.34 |
| Lewis Family Drug LLC | Prescriptions | $15.59 |
| McLeod’s Printing and Supply | Election Supplies | $25.99 |
| Microfilm Imaging Systems | Scanning Books | $2,180.00 |
| Mitchell Regional Ambulance | ALS Intercept | $400.00 |
| Napa Central | Supplies | $540.04 |
| Office Peeps | Supplies | $67.93 |
| Physician Claims Company | Ambulance Service Fee | $1,389.89 |
| Pilcher Law Firm, Prof. LLC | MyCase Subscription | $306.03 |
| Premier Equipment | Supplies | $333.19 |
| Premier Pest Control | Bat Proofing | $2,500.00 |
| Runnings | Supplies | $411.65 |
| Santel Communications | Utilities | $1,287.80 |
| SDACC | CLERP 4th Quarter | $1,648.00 |
| SDACO | Monthly Remittance | $78.00 |
| SDML Workers Compensation | Insurance | $26,206.00 |
| SDSU Dept. Animal Science | 2027 IRM Redbooks | $135.00 |
| State Treasurer | Monthly Remittance | $73,960.71 |

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| Stryker | Power Load Cot | $33,518.45 |
| Sanborn Weekly Journal | Publishing | $1,750.13 |
| Travis Coulthard | Repairs | $40.82 |
| Tech Solutions | Tech Support | $4,508.28 |
| Titan Machinery | Supplies | $1,812.07 |
| Ultra | Support Agreement | $14,274.50 |
| Verizon | Utilities | $40.04 |
| White Lake Plumbing | Plumbing for Highway Shop | $1,710.33 |
| WW Tire Service | Supplies | $3,675.34 |
| Xcel Energy | Utilities | $60.49 |

**HIGHWAY**

Stacy Mendenhall and Sheri Kogel, Highway Department, met with the board. There have been harvest trucks that are parking on the gravel roads to unload from a grain cart to trucks. With Sheriff Fridley and Deputy Starzman also present, the board discussed the best option to keep all drivers' safe but allow the farmers to continue to harvest through the wet conditions. The leased mowing tractors were discussed for next year. The Highway department will switch to 8-hour workdays, effective on November 9th.

**WEED BOARD**

Motion by Hinricher, seconded by Larson to enter Weed Board. Motion carried. A yearly summary report was provided by Kogel. Discussion was had on the cost of spraying both township and county roads. The county took a small loss on spraying. The board choose to leave the rates as they are for the 2027 spray year. Chairman Ebersdorfer declared end of Weed Board.

**MARIA SCHWADER, LEGISLATIVE AUDIT**

Schwader was present to give the commissioners the final report from the 2024 and 2025 audit. Motion by Hinricher, seconded by Blindauer, to approve the audit report presented by Schwader. Motion carried.

**LIQUOR LICENSE**

Hearing no objections, motion by Peterson, second by Blindauer, to approve the following liquor licenses. Motion carried.
John Doren – Retail (On-Sale) Liquor and Package (Off Sale) Liquor – DBA Doren's Bar
Country Pumper – Retail (On-Sale) Wine

**CANVASS**

The Board of Commissioners convened as the Election Canvassing Board. The board canvassed the votes for the November 3, 2026, General Election. Motion by Hinricher, second by Peterson to accept the canvass. Motion carried. Voter turnout for Sanborn County was 49%.

By random draw, a precinct and two races for the Post-Election Audit that will be held in the commissioner room on November 12, 2026 at 9:30 am. Precinct 2 was drawn as the precinct to be audited. Commissioner of School and Public Lands was drawn for the Statewide contest and Attorney General for the random draw contest. Audit results will be shared with the board at the meeting held on November 17th.

Election Results for Sanborn County were as follows:

Unites States Senator
- Mike Rounds: 585
- Brian Bengs: 242

United States Representative:
- Marty Jackley: 599
- Nicole “Nikki” Gronli: 226

Governor and Lieutenant Governor
- Larry Rhoden and Tony Venhuizen: 602
- Dan Ahlers and Steven McCleerey: 229

Secretary of State:
- Heather Baxter: 552
- Tamara J. Lesnar: 31
- Terrence Davis: 212

Attorney General:
- Lance Russell: 621

State Auditor:
- Catherine Barranco: 571
- Tom Cool: 226

State Treasurer:
- Melissa Hull: 576
- Margaret Kuipers: 215

Commissioner for School and Public Lands:
- Brock Greenfield: 570
- Raeann Mettler: 224

Public Utilities Commissioner:
- Don Haggar: 540
- Frank Kloucek: 259

State Senator District 20:
- Paul Miskimins: 598

State Representative District 20:
- Jeff Bathke: 529
- Terry Sabers: 403

County Commissioner District 1:
- Phillip Hinker: 75
- Jeff Ebersdorfer: 79

Constitutional Amendment I: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution that Repeals Expanded Medicaid Coverage if Federal Funding for the Program drops below 90%:
- Yes: 364
- No: 446

Constitutional Amendment J: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Clarifying that an Individual Must Be a Citizen of the United States to be Eligible to Vote:
- Yes: 521
- No: 297

Constitutional Amendment K: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Establishing the Trust for Unclaimed Property Fund”:
- Yes: 460
- No: 345

Constitutional Amendment L: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Requiring that a Proposed Constitutional Amendment or Revision Receive an Affirmative Vote of Sixty Percent of the Votes Cast:

Yes: 325
No: 490

Chairman Ebersdorfer declared to reconvene as Board of Commissioners.

**SANBORN COUNTY AMBULANCE**

Aaron Fink, Rick George, and Carie Fry were present to give ambulance updates. Topics of discussion were two new tires for the front of the ambulance and also having the ambulance realigned once the new tires are on. When the new ambulance arrives, the ambulance will begin to fill with gas at the highway shop. The new ambulance is scheduled for delivery in November. A radio for the new ambulance is already here; it will just need to be installed. Fink will schedule the radio to be installed, schedule the state inspection, and schedule the power cot system to be installed.

**TERESA DUNLAP**

Dunlap and Jeanette Cornelius were present to express their opinion to the board regarding the polling locations for the General Election. Both shared their opinions that they felt the election should have been held in Forestburg.

**OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD**

Drainage Board minutes from October 14 were reviewed, discussed, and approved.

Deputy Sheriff Josh Starzman presented a quote to the board from Central Square for data conversion for Sheriff's office records. Our records are currently being housed in Huron City, and the conversion would move the records to Mitchell City, as that is where our dispatch is based and Huron City is no longer willing to house our records.

Motion by Hinricher, seconded by Blindauer to approve November 27th and December 24th as administrative leave days, declared by Governor Larry Rhoden. Motion carried. The County Offices will be closed November 26th & 27th to observe Thanksgiving and also December 24th and 25th to observe Christmas.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer to have a special meeting on December 29th to conduct end-of-year business. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the board, motion by Larson, seconded by Hinricher to adjourn the meeting at 12:41 pm. Motion carried. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday November 17, 2026.

Kami Moody — Sanborn County Auditor

Jeff Ebersdorfer — Chairman of the Board, Sanborn County