

SPINK COUNTY COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS REDFIELD, SOUTH DAKOTA

The Spink County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at the Spink County Courthouse. Present were Commissioners Dave Albrecht, Brian Johnson, Brett Knox, Kevin Siebrecht, and Suzanne Smith. Chairman Brian Johnson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion was made by Smith, seconded by Knox, to adopt the agenda. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion was made by Albrecht, seconded by Smith, to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2026 Commission meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- SDDOT State Planning & Research Program for Local Governments

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sandy Jungwirth and Deb Curtis, residents, addressed data center ordinances.

GENERAL FUND SURPLUS ANALYSIS/RECAPITULATION OF TAXES

Theresa Hodges, Auditor, filed the General Fund Surplus Analysis of 18% as of 12/31/2025.

SHERIFF

Amy Akin, Chief Dispatcher, made a request to eliminate the part-time pay scale for dispatchers and pay part-time dispatchers under the full-time scale due to them needing the same certifications as full-time staff. Motion was made by Smith, seconded by Knox, to eliminate the part-time pay scale for dispatchers and pay all dispatchers under the full-time scale due to certification requirements; and set the rate of pay for Kandi Shantz, E911 Dispatcher, and Christine Michlitsch, E911 Dispatcher, at \$26.44/hr. effective 1/26/2026. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNUAL REVIEW

Annual review of the open meeting laws was conducted as required by SDCL 1-25-13.

RURAL ACCESS INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Jeff Haessig, Highway Superintendent, reviewed applications that were filed for the Rural Access Infrastructure Grant. 4 townships and Spink County secondary road filed a total of 6 applications. Each application was filed with one cost estimate, with inability to obtain a second estimate.

Motion was made by Knox, seconded by Siebrecht, to approve: Spink County secondary road's application for the replacement of culvert 58-3393-1725, total project cost \$12,041, 80% grant award \$9,633; Lodi Township's application for the replacement of culvert 58-1843-2832, total project cost \$10,293, 80% grant award \$8,235; Frankfort Township's application for the replacement of culvert 58-2371-2624, total project cost \$11,652, 80% grant award \$9,322; Frankfort Township's application for the replacement of culvert 58-2320-2723, total project cost \$21,916, 80% grant award \$17,533; Groveland Township's application for the replacement of culverts 58-4193-2158, total project cost \$46,558, 80% grant award \$37,247; and Olean Township's application for replacement of culvert 58-3088-0728, total project cost \$21,424, 80% grant award \$17,140. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Jeff Haessig, Highway Superintendent, filed contracted Sourcewell bid prices for motor graders: Butler CAT, 2026 Caterpillar Model 150JOY4 motor grader \$428,890; RDO Equipment Co., 2026 John Deere 772P motor grader \$408,907.34. Haessig also filed two employees' letters of resignation.

BIDS

Motion was made by Albrecht, seconded by Smith, to approve RDO Equipment Co.'s low bid of \$408,907.34 for the purchase of a 2026 John Deere 772P motor grader. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Smith, seconded by Knox, to accept the resignations of Roger Metzinger, Equipment Operator, effective 3/25/26; and Travis Fast, Equipment Operator, effective 3/12/26, and to advertise the positions. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Sonja Muellenberg, Register of Deeds, filed the Register of Deeds Yearly Report for 2025.

PLANNING & ZONING BOARD

At 9:30 AM a motion was made by Smith, seconded by Knox, to recess as a Board of Commissioners and convene as the Planning & Zoning Board. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened at 10:42 AM after having adjourned as the Planning & Zoning Board.

APPOINTMENT OF WEED & PEST BOARD

The Board of Spink County Commissioners, in session this 20th day of January 2026, appoint the Spink County Board of Commissioners to the Spink County Weed & Pest Board. Motion was made by Knox, seconded by Siebrecht, to approve and adopt the above appointment to the board. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING WILDLAND FIRE DESIGNEE (#26-10)

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Wildland Fire Coordinator is authorized to assist in fighting range fires through the State, and

WHEREAS, a county must formally request his assistance pursuant to SDCL 41-20-8.1;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Spink County Commissioners do hereby designate the following persons with the authority to request assistance from the State Wildland Fire Coordinator in fighting range fires:

Spink County Emergency Manager, and Brian Johnson, Chairman of Spink County Commission.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Knox, to adopt the above resolution. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Dated at Redfield, South Dakota, this 20th day of January 2026.

Brian Johnson, Chairman
Spink County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Theresa Hodges, Auditor
Spink County, South Dakota

FAIR BOARD

A copy of the revised layout of the rental agreement for the fairgrounds and buildings was filed.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

FY2026 first quarter report was signed by the Chairman.

BUILD DAKOTA

Discussion on the Build Dakota Scholarship program.

FAIRGROUND LEASE

An updated lease agreement for the fairgrounds was received from the City of Redfield. Motion was made by Siebrecht, seconded by Knox, to approve the lease agreement for the fairgrounds between the City of Redfield and Spink County for the leased premises commonly called the Spink County Fairgrounds, for the term of January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2031, with the agreement renewing on the same terms and conditions on a five-year term basis until terminated by either party, for the sum of \$500 per year. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

STATES ATTORNEY

Quotes were filed for the purchase of a printer for the States Attorney's office. Motion was made by Albrecht, seconded by Siebrecht, to approve A&B Business Solution's quote of \$2,689.29 for the purchase of a Ricoh IM C320F printer/copier/scanner with the \$53.38/month maintenance contract. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

VOLUNTEER

Report of volunteer, Deputy State's Attorney, Vaughn Beck.

ORDINANCE

Recommendations from the Planning & Zoning Board were received. Motion was made by Siebrecht, seconded by Smith, to set the 1st reading of Titles 17.02 Definitions and 17.30 Data Centers as February 17th, 2026 at 9:20 AM and the 2nd reading as March 3, 2026 at 9:20 AM. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

EXPENSE REQUESTS

Motion was made by Smith seconded by Knox, to approve the following expense requests:

- Jeff Haessig, Highway Superintendent, Jerrod Peterson, Lead Worker, SD Asphalt Conference, Mitchell, SD;
- Jeff Haessig, Highway Superintendent, Jerrod Peterson, Lead Worker, SDACHS Annual Short Course, Deadwood, SD;

All members voted aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS AND REPORTS ALLOWED

Motion was made by Knox, seconded by Siebrecht, to approve the following claims and reports. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS		APPEL OIL COMPANY	3035.72
MCQUILLEN CREATIVE GROUP	118.77	CENTURY LINK	85.28
SANDRA MCNEILL	156.25	AUTO VALUE REDFIELD	37.06
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	5.36	MOCIC	100.00
		NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	236.71
ELECTION		REDFIELD CITY	93.00
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	10.91	THE SHOP	433.14
		TWO WAY SOLUTIONS, INC	693.97
JUDICIAL SYSTEMS		VERIZON BUSINESS	717.66
SARA ZAHN	1575.05	JAIL	
		BEADLE COUNTY SHERIFF	420.00
AUDITOR		BROWN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	700.00
A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	395.85	FAULK CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE	3240.00
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	115.53		
TREASURER		AMBULANCE	
A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	103.31	CONDE AMBULANCE	10000.00
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	66.70		
		MENTALLY HANDICAPPED	
STATES ATTORNEY		LEWIS & CLARK BHS	225.00
COMMUNITY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	776.00		
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	77.93	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISA	
		SD DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	60.00
GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS			
BALOUN-ARTHURS PLUMBING	112.25	MENTAL ILLNESS BOARD	
CINTAS CORPORATION	179.68	KENNEDY PIER LOFTUS REYNOLDS	252.00
COLE PAPERS, INC.	442.24		
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	67.78	COUNTY FAIR	
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	4174.12	NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	504.72
REDFIELD ACE HARDWARE	156.42	REDFIELD CITY	43.75
REDFIELD CITY	197.50		
		EXTENSION	
DIRECTOR EQUALIZ.		A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	188.39
A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	46.91	NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	74.56
AMERICAN SOLUTIONS FOR	41.47		
MANATRON, INC	3088.33	SOIL CONSERVATION	
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	105.26	SPINK COUNTY CONSERVATION DIST	7500.00
REGISTER OF DEEDS		PLANNING BOARD	
A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	74.59	A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	46.91
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	81.44	SANDRA MCNEILL	181.25
		NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	10.91
VETERANS SERVICE			
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	68.32	NESDCAP	
		NESDCAP	5000.00
INFO TECHNOLOGY			
DAKOTA MAILING & SHIPPING EQP	345.81	IND., TOURISM & REC.	
		GLACIAL LAKES & PRAIRIES TOUR	745.00
SHERIFF			
A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	86.71	RD & BRG - ADMIN	
		A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, INC	78.14

APPEL OIL COMPANY	2349.37	E-911	
BRENTFORD CITY	23.03	JAMES VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATION	209.10
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	40.00	VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS COOP	164.78
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	2022.18		
SBS LUMBER & HARDWARE	3.49	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
REDFIELD CITY	97.00	APPEL OIL COMPANY	34.44
THE SHOP	887.45	NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	38.82

REPORTS

- January 2025-December 2025 Sheriff Reports
- December 2025 Report of Payments Received to Reimburse Poor Liens: \$0.00
- January 2026 Quotes for 4700-gallon delivery of Diesel Fuel
- Spink County Conservation District 2025 Review

Chairman Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 11:17 AM until 8:30 AM, Tuesday, February 3, 2026.

Brian Johnson, Chairman
Spink County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Theresa Hodges, Auditor
Spink County, South Dakota

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