

**YANKTON COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**October 6, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Yankton County Commission was called to order by Chairman John Marquardt at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2026.

Roll call was taken with the following Commissioners present: Ryan Heine, Dan Klimisch, Don Kettering, Wanda Howey-Fox and John Marquardt.

Commissioner Fox cited a conflict with the second set of claims from Harmelink & Fox Law Office. There were no conflicts from the rest of the board.

**Action 26334C:** A motion was made by Klimisch, seconded by Fox to approve the agenda with the following additions: add discussion about general election ballot. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

There were commits from Lauren Nelson and Nancy Wenande. Chairman Marquardt closed public comment.

Madison Melcher, Yankton County 4-H Youth Program Advisor, presented the quarterly report. Melcher reported several 4-H events that youths participated in, including the South Dakota State Fair, and mentioned future events.

**Action 26335C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Klimisch to approve advertising for gravel bids for the Highway Department. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

The board discussed transfer of the 4H-Building back to the 4-H leaders. After the county has removed inventory from building, the deed will be signed October 30, 2026.

Randy Freng spoke on the proposal.

**Action 26336C:** A motion was made by Heine and seconded by Fox to authorize the signing of the Deed back to the 4-H Leaders on October 30, 2026. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26337C:** A motion was made by Klimisch, seconded by Heine to surplus used servers that were updated. All present voted aye; motion, 5-0.

The board discussed the typographical error identified on the Referendum of 2026 General Election Ballot. Voters who have already submitted their ballots will be able to re-cast a ballot if they wish.

**Action 26338C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Klimisch to move into Board of Adjustment. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**CUP Public Hearing:** This was the time and place for a public hearing for a Conditional Use Permit application from Trevor Rueb for an addition to an accessory structure since he is over the 2400 square foot maximum in a Moderate Density Residential District per Article 7 Section 707, Article 18 Section 1805 and Article 19 Section 1905. Said property is legally described as Lot 1, Schwarz 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition in the SE1/4 SE1/4, S4-T93N-R56W, West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Yankton County, South Dakota. E911 address is 2415 Deer Blvd., Yankton, South Dakota.

Chairman Marquardt opened the hearing for public comment. Trevor Rueb commented on the request. Marquardt closed public comment.

**Action 26339Z:** A motion was made by Klimisch, seconded by Kettering, to approve a Conditional Use Permit for Trevor Rueb. All in favor aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26340C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Klimisch to recess Board of Adjustment and reconvene in regular session. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Bill Conkling read the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the zoning request from Joel McDowell. Applicant is requesting to rezone a lot that is dual zoned Moderate Density Rural Residential District (R2) and Lakeside Commercial District (LC) to Lakeside Commercial District (R2) per Article 18 section 1809 and Article 20 Section 2003. Said property is legally described as Lot 2 Eickoff Addition in S17-T93N-R56 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> PM, Yankton County, Yankton, South Dakota. No action was taken. The second reading will be October 20, 2026.

There was no public comment. Chairman Marquardt closed public comment.

**Action 26341D:** A motion was made by Klimisch, seconded by Fox to recess the regular session and convene as Drainage Board. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Request for Drainage Permit to install drain tile which outlets in a natural drainage at the property legally described as the North  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the NE1/4, S1-T96N-R57 West of the P.M.

Request for Drainage Permit to install drain tile which outlets in a natural drainage at the property legally described SW1/4, SW1/4 and SE1/4 SW1/4 all in S6-T93N-R56 West of the P.M., Yankton County, South Dakota.

Request for Drainage Permit to install drain tile which outlets in a natural drainage at the property legally described NW1/4, NW1/4 and NE1/4 NW1/4 all in S7-T96N-56 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Yankton County, South Dakota

Speaking on behalf of Mary Hurts on the drainage issue was Elizabeth Hurts and Lydell Thomas.

**Action 26342D:** A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to deny drainage application #1. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26343D:** A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to deny Heckenlaible drainage application. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26344D:** A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to deny drainage application #2. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26345C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Klimisch to recess the Drainage Board and reconvene in regular session. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Preston Crissey, Yankton County Sheriff, appeared for board approval for an addendum to The overtime/compensation policy, new hire wages and Co-Pay charge for inmates.

**Action 26346S:** A motion was made by Klimisch, seconded by Heine to approve the Addendum as presented. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26347S:** A motion was made by Heine, seconded by Fox to approve the hiring of Tyler Buer, Detention Deputy, at \$50,031.39. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26348S:** A motion was made by Heine, seconded by Klimisch to approve the hiring of Chandler Ross, Deputy, at \$60,356.42. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26349S:** A motion was made by Heine, seconded by Klimisch to postpone action on the co-pay charge for inmates. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26350C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Klimisch to approve the Sept. 17, 2026 Commission meeting minutes. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26351C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Heine to approve the first set of claims: **Commission:** Best Western Plus Ramkota-Sioux Falls (Travel) \$189.99; Dan Klimisch (Travel) \$206.75; Health Equity (Group Insurance) \$47.25; AAA Collections (Prof Services) \$9.96; Government Executive Media Group (Travel) \$2,000.00; Yankton County Observer (Publishing) \$321.37; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$173.33; **Elections:** Election Systems & Software (Supplies) \$44.94; McLeod's Printing & Office Supply (Supplies) \$209.95; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$113.41; Verizon (Rentals) \$200.05; **Court:** Avera Patient Financial Service (Lab) \$694.91; Youngberg Law, Prof. LLC (Prof Services) \$2,883.21; Ivonne Dellew Prof. LLC (Prof Services) \$203.00; Grand Jury (Fees) \$2,038.80; Horn Law Office, LLC (Prof Services) \$221,361.00; Kennedy Pier Loftus Reynolds Brandt, LLP (Prof Services) \$1,329.80; Kennedy Pier Loftus Reynolds Brandt, LLP (Minor)

\$866.20; LaCroix Law Office (Neglected) \$1,965.40; Dean Schaefer (Prof Services) \$572.00; Creighton Thurman (Neglected) \$11,911.10; **Auditor:** Best Western Plus Ramkota-Sioux Falls (Travel) \$110.00; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; McLeod's Printing and Office Supply (Supplies) \$134.95; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$211.74; **Treasurer:** Best Western Plus Ramkota-Sioux Falls (Travel) \$110.00; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; LEAF (Rentals) \$133.60; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$174.40; **Data Processing:** CSI, LLC (Maintenance) \$4,625.00; **States Attorney:** Century Business Products (Rentals) \$175.00; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$68.53; **Government Center:** City of Yankton (Utilities) \$3,555.31; Pye-Barker Fire & Safety (Maintenance) \$590.30; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; Menards (Supplies) \$23.72; Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$3,529.63; Olson's Pest Technicians (Maintenance) \$84.00; **Director of Equalization:** Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center-Pierre (Travel) \$2,240.00; Charles Richardson (Travel) \$210.24; Jacob Miller (Travel) \$180.00; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; Government Executive Media Group (Travel) \$1,500.00; Michelle Goeken (Travel) \$180.00; Great America Financial (Maintenance) \$87.32; Qualified Presort Service (Supplies) \$102.97; Andrea Wright (Travel) \$180.00; **Register of Deeds:** Executive Management Finance (Supplies) \$64.00; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$61.67; **Veterans Service Office:** Robert Stickney (Supplies) \$190.40; Robert Stickney (Travel) \$741.79; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$21.57; Verizon (Rentals) \$40.01; **Safety Center Building:** Mark's (Maintenance) \$36.08; City of Yankton (Utilities) \$1,713.87; Amazon Capital Services (Supplies) \$211.28; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; Johnson Controls, Inc. (Maintenance) \$2,532.67; Midcontinent Communications (Utilities) \$1,296.67; Menards (Maintenance) \$10.77; MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$713.87; Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$11,738.07; Olson's Pest Technicians (Maintenance) \$137.00; SD Department of Public Safety (Maintenance) \$240.00; **Sheriff:** Autozone (Auto Equipment) \$249.91; Cardmember Services (Supplies) \$182.40; Cardmember Services (Maintenance Contract) \$18.04; Cardmember Services (Travel) \$857.20; Cardmember Services (Ballistic Vests) \$71.41; Cardmember Services (Minor Equipment) \$177.98; Cardmember Services (Uniforms) \$40.07; Cardmember Services (Law Enforcement Equipment) \$99.00; Cardmember Services (Auto Equipment) \$410.97; AT & T Mobility (Maintenance Contract) \$1,417.60; Wolfcom Enterprises (Law Enforcement Equipment) \$169.99; FedEx (Prof Services) \$12.71; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.72; Two Lane Tactics, LLC (Travel) \$179.99; Pennington County Jail (Travel) \$559.42; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Maintenance Contract) \$168.32; **County Jail:** Culligan (Food Services) \$49.00; Cardmember Services (Travel) \$88.48; Cardmember Services (Prof Services) \$14.91; Cardmember Services (Supplies) \$462.23; Avera Patient Financial Services (Prof Services) \$347.38; McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions (Supplies) \$145.59; Trinity Services Group (Food Services) \$15,642.36; AT & T Mobility (Maintenance Contract) \$316.80; Pye-Barker Fire & Safety (Maintenance) \$363.80; Assusen Prof. LLC (Prof Services) \$3,675.00; Avera Hospitalist-Yankton (Prof Services) \$434.66; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.72; H & H Appliance Repair (Maintenance) \$438.08; Hy-Vee (Prof Services) \$96.49; JCL Solutions (Supplies) \$1,515.24; Olson's Pest Technicians (Maintenance) \$155.00; **Corner:** Dakota Embalming & Transport Service (Prof Services) \$460.00; **Poor Relief:** Dawn Kirchner (Travel) \$26.00; **Ambulance:** Kopetsky's Ace Hardware (Supplies) \$87.04; Sacred Heart Health Services (Prof Services) \$1,500.00; Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$114.49; City of

Yankton (Utilities) \$321.65; Sacred Heart Health Services (Supplies) \$51.84; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; Auto Value (Maintenance) \$93.98; LEAF (Rentals) \$154.47; Menards (Supplies) \$931.36; MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$18.58; Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$1,375.56; Olson's Pest Technicians (Maintenance) \$119.00; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$99.18; Verizon (Rentals) \$298.75; Verizon (Utilities) \$339.81; **Mentally Handicapped:** Lifescape (Allotment) \$120.00; **Mental Illness Board:** Blackburn & Stevens Prof. LLC (Hearings) \$574.22; Val Larson (Hearings) \$44.00; Fox Law Firm, PLLC (Hearings) \$276.75; Mark Katterhagen (Hearings) \$44.00; Luci Lewno (Hearings) \$896.53; **Extension:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$366.66; State 4-H Office (4H) \$85.00; City of Yankton (Utilities) \$85.52; Madison Melcher (Travel) \$663.02; Great America Financial (Rentals) \$298.39; Olson's Pest Technicians (Maintenance) \$75.00; **Weed:** C & R Supply, Inc. (Supplies) \$242.00; Amazon Capital Services (Chemicals) \$29.69; Menards (Chemicals) \$50.93; The Lodge at Deadwood (Travel) \$315.00; Verizon (Utilities) \$10.02; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$42.44; **Planning and Zoning:** Best Western Plus Ramkota-Sioux Falls (Travel) \$110.00; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.73; Pheasantland Industries (E911 Signs) \$33.00; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$32.90; SD Special Pay Plan (Salary) \$9,580.78; SD Special Pay Plan (Retirement) \$45.00; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$40.11; **Highway:** Appera (Supplies) \$164.42; Autozone (Maintenance) \$1,738.27; Best Western Plus Ramkota-Sioux Falls (Travel) \$220.00; Butler Machinery Co. (Rentals) \$14,757.98; Butler Machinery Co. (Maintenance) \$18.55; SDSU-SD LTAP (Travel) \$125.00; City of Yankton (Utilities) \$91.14; Knife River-South Dakota (Maintenance) \$1,900.00; Knife River-South Dakota (Bridges) \$5,162.28; IMEG Corp. (Annual Projects) \$1,700.00; Amazon Capital Services (Maintenance) \$476.51; Titan Machinery-Yankton (Maintenance) \$447.87; City of Yankton-Landfill (Supplies) \$80.85; TLC Propane (Supplies) \$140.24; Asure (Prof Services) \$67.72; Graham Tire-Yankton (Maintenance) \$17,486.80; Graham Tire-Yankton (Supplies) \$720.16; Jim Hawk Truck Trailers (Maintenance) \$40.05; I State Truck Center (Maintenance) \$488.30; Kimball Midwest (Supplies) \$661.43; LEAF (Supplies) \$270.70; Menards (Maintenance) \$203.99; Menards (Supplies) \$59.23; Yankton County Observer (Publishing) \$5.88; Olson's Pest Technicians (Maintenance) \$100.00; O'Reilly Auto Parts (Maintenance) \$7.93; Overhead Door Company of Sioux City (Supplies) \$270.00; Riverside Hydraulics & Labs (Maintenance) \$151.00; Titan Machinery (Maintenance) \$607.70; TrueNorth Steel (Supplies) \$8,893.80; Verizon (Utilities) \$10.02; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$42.43; **E911:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$3,195.62; CenturyLink (Utilities) \$91.30; **OEM:** Kopetsky's Ace Hardware (Supplies) \$684.19; B-Y Electric (Utilities) \$68.00; Hanson Briggs Specialty Advertising, Inc. (Supplies) \$276.75; AT & T Mobility (Utilities) \$114.55; T-Mobile (Utilities) \$234.40; Great America Financial (Minor Equipment) \$1,261.96; Great America Financial (Maintenance) \$40.92; LEAF (Rentals) \$176.44; Midcontinent Communications (Utilities) \$171.31; MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$9.25; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$7.88; Verizon (Utilities) \$381.27; **24/7:** Precision Kiosk Technologies (Prof Services) \$1,500.00; PharmChem, Inc. (Prof Services) \$4,650.75; **Non-Departmental:** Sobriety Testing (Refunds) \$57.00; CAM Daily Fees (Refund) \$122.00. General Fund \$134,388.83; Road & Bridge \$57,113.25; Emergency Management \$3,426.92. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26352C:** A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Heine approve the second set of claims: **Court:** Harmelink & Fox (Prof Services) \$12,653.82. Voting aye: Klimisch, Heine, Klimisch and Marquardt. Fox abstained. Motion carried, 4-0.

**Action 26353C:** A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Kettering approve the **SEPTEMBER, 2026 Gross Payroll: Commissioners:** \$6,840.20; **Election:** \$574.49; **Auditor:** \$18,825.70; **Treasurer:** \$21,742.44; **States Attorney:** \$43,671.98; **Government Buildings:** \$6,926.41; **Director of Equalization:** \$23,875.74; **Register of Deeds:** \$19,262.25; **Veterans Service:** \$4,604.60; **Courthouse & Safety Center:** \$11,207.76; **Sheriff:** \$91,616.68; **County Jail:** \$110,125.63; **Coroner:** \$350.00; **Juvenile:** \$0.00; **Ambulance:** \$74,591.06; **Weed:** \$11,181.60; **Planning & Zoning:** \$13,571.70; **Road & Bridge:** \$82,164.48; **OEM:** \$12,847.57; **24-7 Program:** \$3,607.81. First Dakota National Bank \$40,060.81 (Fed Withholding), First Dakota National Bank \$68,116.16 (FICA) First Dakota National Bank \$15,930.46 (Medicare), South Dakota Retirement System \$33,948.86 (Other Employees), South Dakota Retirement System \$37,840.72 (Sheriff/Jail/EMS), South Dakota Retirement System (Spouse Opt) \$84.27, South Dakota Retirement System (Supplemental) \$5,211.33, American Family Life Assurance Company (AFLAC) \$3,600.11, Nationwide Retirement Solutions \$69.44, Boston Mutual Life Insurance \$283.55, Colonial Life & Accident \$2,385.27, AVERA Health Insurance \$71,982.97, Delta Dental \$1,892.96, VSP Vision \$643.63, HealthEquity \$3,321.00. IBC TPA \$11,677, Reliance Life Insurance \$1,192.34, Reliance Dental \$339.76, MASA \$66.00, Aflac Dental \$1,832.99, Gross Payroll \$567,633.10 Net Payroll \$420,718.37. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

First reading of the Temporary Zoning Ordinance #23 on the acceptance of applications or permits for electrical energy storage facilities. Will be read at the October 20 commission meeting.

There was public comment from Lauren Nelson. Chairman Marquardt closed public comment.

**Action 26354C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Heine to recess the regular session at 7:35 p.m. and convene in executive session to discuss Poor Relief Issues Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 & 28-13 and 28-13-1.3 and legal 1-25-2(3). All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

**Action 26355C:** A motion was made by Kettering, seconded by Heine to adjourn executive session at 8:00 p.m. and reconvene in regular session. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

There was no action taken on executive session.

**Action 26356C:** A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Klimisch to adjourn. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

The next regular meeting is Tuesday, October 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

**John Marquardt**, Chairman  
Yankton County Commission

ATTEST:

**Patty Hojem**,  
Yankton County Auditor