

YANKTON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

August 19, 2025

The regular meeting of the Yankton County Commission was called to order by Chairman John Marquardt at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 19, 2025.

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

Commissioner Fox abstained from the Harmelink Plat. There were no conflicts of interest from rest of the board.

Action 25256C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Kettering to approve the meeting agenda with the following change: Item 15 will be re-scheduled. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

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

Action 25257HWY: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to approve the surplus road project millings. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Preston Crissey, Yankton County Sheriff, presented his 2025 second quarter report and asked approval to surplus 2017 Chevy Express Van and 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan.

Action 25258S: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to approve surplus of 2017 Chevy Express Van. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25259S: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Klimisch to approve to transfer 2019 Dodge Caravan to the States Attorney's Office. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25260S: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to accept Sheriff's office 2025 second quarter report. A detailed report is on file with the County Auditor. Klimisch, Fox, Heine, Kettering and Marquardt voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25261C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to recess the regular session and convene as Board of Adjustment. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Gary Vetter, read a statement regarding the investigation into the zoning violation request from Richard Vellek. Mr. Vetter said in his opinion while there are issues that need attention, it does not justify revocation of the Conditional Use Permit. Also speaking were Preston Crissey, Yankton County Sheriff, Shane from Central Specialties (via teams) and Richard Vellek. No action was taken.

Action 25262C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Kettering to recess Board of Adjustment and reconvene in regular session. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Tyler Klatt from Tegra Architecture, Sioux Falls, SD, appeared before the board and asked the commission to approve hiring a Geotek and SE2S to perform Phase 1 environmental site analysis and site survey for a Juvenile Detention addition to the Yankton County Jail. A site utility survey will provide the contractor with current information on the location, type, information to identify potential conflicts and relocations early in the process. Brad Bies, Economic Development Director from the City of Yankton, also spoke.

Action 25263C: A motion was made by Kettering and seconded by Heine to hire the firm to conduct the utility survey. Klimisch, Kettering, Heine and Marquardt voting aye; Fox voting nay; motion carried, 4-1.

Action 25264Z: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to adopt the following resolution: Whereas it appears Angie Highland, owner of record, has caused a plat to be made of the following real property: NW1/4, NE1/4, Section 33-94N-54W, County of Yankton, S.D., and has submitted such plat to the Yankton County Planning Commission and Yankton County Commission for approval. Now therefore be it resolved that such plat has been executed according to law and conforms to all existing applicable zoning, subdivision, erosion and sediment control and same is hereby approved. County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such the proper resolution and certify the same. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25265Z: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Kettering to adopt the following resolution: Whereas it appears Steve Drotzmann, owner of record, has caused a plat to be made of the following real property: Lot 7 Schulte's Subdivision, S1/2, SE1/4, Section 35-94N-56W, County of Yankton, S.D., and has submitted such plat to the Yankton County Planning Commission and Yankton County Commission for approval. Now therefore be it resolved that such plat has been executed according to law and conforms to all existing applicable zoning, subdivision, erosion and sediment control and same is hereby approved. County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such the proper resolution and certify the same. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25266Z: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Heine to adopt the following resolution: Whereas it appears Jason Harmelink, owner of record, has caused a plat to be made of the following real property: Benson's Addition, S1/2, NE1/4, Section 13-94N-56W, County of Yankton, S.D., and has submitted such plat to the Yankton County Planning Commission and Yankton County Commission for approval. Now therefore be it resolved that such plat has been executed according to law and conforms to all existing applicable zoning, subdivision, erosion and sediment control and same is hereby approved. County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such the proper resolution and certify the same. Klimisch, Heine, Kettering and Marquardt voted aye; Fox abstained motion carried, 4-0.

David Thomson, acting Superintendent of the Missouri National Recreational River appeared before the board for approval of the resolution in support of the Federal Government's acquisition of James River Island. Merlyn Schmuck one of the owners of the property, spoke on the request. Commissioner Klimisch expressed concerns about the request. Klimisch was worried about the property being taken off the tax roles and search and rescue obligations. Klimisch said he would like to see an agreement for imbursement for the use of the county's Search and Rescue services. Preston Crissey, Yankton County Sheriff, also spoke.

Action 25267C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Kettering to adopt the following resolution: Fox, Kettering and Marquardt voted aye; Heine and Klimisch abstained; motion carried, 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-08

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ACQUISITION OF JAMES RIVER ISLAND

WHEREAS, Yankton is a legal and political subdivision of the State of South Dakota for which the Board of County Commissioners ('Board") is authorized to act; and

WHEREAS, Yankton contains 333,440 acres of land in the State of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the well-being, health, safety, welfare, economic condition, and culture of Yankton County, its businesses, and its citizens could benefit from the federal government's acquisition of James River Island with the intention of opening the island up to public access and outdoor recreation; and

WHEREAS, these industries are important components of the South Dakota economy, and are major contributors of the economic and social well-being of Yankton County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, tourism is an important part of the economy of the State of South Dakota and Yankton County that will allow its citizens to be involved in a planning process of how that island is to be used; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Yankton County, South Dakota as follows:

The Board supports the designation and use of land in Yankton County to be included as possible public access and outdoor recreation, enabling photography, painting, drawing, and other forms of expression that improve the quality of life in the area, and maintaining the development and productive use of the resources on or within such lands.

The Board supports acquisition from willing sellers/landowners and for the payment of full and fair market value for all rights and interests acquired, for the well-being, health, safety, welfare, economy, and culture of Yankton County, its businesses, and its citizens.

The Board shall send a copy of this Resolution to the Missouri National Recreational River Office for distribution to appropriate offices.

Yankton County Chairman, John Marquardt /s/
ATTEST: Patty Hojem, Yankton County Auditor /s/

Brad Bies, Economic Development Director from the City Yankton, presented a ETJ rezoning request from owners Justus and Michelle Hirschman.

Action 25268C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Klimisch to approve ETJ Rezone. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Chairman Marquardt explained the formula presented for the cost of double chip sealing road 434th and Kaiser Road. Marquardt said he would like approval of the formula so the States Attorney's office can prepare a resolution.

Action 25269C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to approve the formula as presented. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Tyler Larsen, States Attorney, presented the hiring freeze resolution as requested by board. The board discussed the resolution and department heads voiced their concerns. No action was taken on the resolution.

Commissioner Heine presented the updated combined job description for 4-H Director and Extension Coordinator. Heine said he would like to start advertising the position. Commissioner Klimisch suggested donating funds to 4-H and they can do with that funding as they want.

Action 25270C: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Kettering to give the 4-H board a grant in lieu of hiring an employee. Roll call vote was taken with Klimisch, Kettering and Fox voting aye; Heine and Marquardt voting nay; motion carried, 3-2.

Action 25271C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Klimisch to approve the August 5, 2025 Commission meeting minutes. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25272C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Kettering to approve the following claims: **Commission:** SD Association of County Commissioners (Travel) \$880.00;

Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$550.16; **Elections:** McLeod's Printing & Office Supply (Supplies) \$124.95; Qualified Presort Service (Supplies) \$232.72; **Court:** Avera Sacred Heart Hospital (Lab) \$2,836.00; Lutheran Social Services (Prof Services) \$162.50; Grand Jury (Fees) \$502.26; Jeannie Kasik (Prof Services) \$120.00; Witnesses (Fees) \$40.00; LaCroix Law Office (Neglected) \$2,290.00; Department of Health (Lab) \$1,155.00; Dean Scheafer (Prof Services) \$576.00; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Other) \$59.48; **Auditor:** LEAF (Rentals) \$201.69; McLeod's Printing & Office Supply (Supplies) \$124.95; Qualified Presort Service (Supplies) \$225.89; SD Association of County Commissioners (Travel) \$220.00; One Office Solution (Maintenance) \$166.74; Thomson Reuters-West (Prof Services) \$186.13; **Treasurer:** LEAF (Rentals) \$155.71; Qualified Presort Service (Supplies) \$253.37; SD Association of County Commissioners (Travel) \$220.00; Yankton County Treasurer (Supplies) \$129.48; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$134.91; **Data Processing:** Andersen Telecom, LLC (Maintenance) \$519.90; First Bankcard (Maintenance) \$56.34; **States Attorney:** Andersen Telecom, LLC (Prof Services) \$200.00; Culligan (Supplies) \$45.50; First Bankcard (Diversion Expense) \$1,156.60; Qualified Presort Service (Prof Services) \$54.65; Security Shredding Services (Maintenance) \$40.00; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$536.32; Thomson Reuters-West (Prof Services) \$222.24; Supercom, Inc. (Diversion Expense) \$123.50; **Government Center:** Kopetsky's Ace Hardware (Supplies) \$25.57; Appeara (Maintenance) \$1,258.61; City of Yankton (Supplies) \$568.18; Culligan (Supplies) \$237.69; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$172.70; Menards (Supplies) \$70.77; MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$499.90; Uline (Supplies) \$591.28; **Director of Equalization:** SDAAO (Educational Expense) \$25.00; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$42.00; First Bankcard (Maintenance) \$14.91; First Bankcard (Educational Expense) \$80.00; Microfilm Imaging Systems (Maintenance) \$120.00; Qualified Presort Service (Supplies) \$120.82; One Office Solution (Maintenance) \$129.08; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$50.55; **Register of Deeds:** Qualified Presort Service (Supplies) \$70.07; SD Association of County Commissioners (Travel) \$220.00; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$154.00; **Veterans Service Office:** LEAF (Rentals) \$126.88; One Office Solution (Maintenance) \$12.43; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$46.90; LEAF (Rentals) \$126.88; **Safety Center Building:** Appeara (Maintenance) \$1,771.38; Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$222.99; City of Yankton (Dumpster Fees) \$160.00; Cole Papers, Inc. (Supplies) \$349.80; Pye-Barker Fire & Safety (Maintenance) \$331.00; Heiman, Inc. (Maintenance) \$275.00; Johnson Controls, Inc. (Maintenance) \$532.00; Menards (Supplies) \$165.34; **Sheriff:** Andersen Telecom, LLC (Computer Services) \$150.00; City of Yankton (Fuel) \$4,359.31; Qualified Presort Service (Maintenance Contract) \$262.93; Lewis & Clark Ford Lincoln (Maintenance) \$959.98; South Dakota Sheriff's Association (Maintenance Contract) \$880.00; Tire Muffler Alignment (Maintenance) \$2,603.66; One Office Solution (Maintenance Contract) \$104.61; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$17.15; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Maintenance Contract) \$50.00; **County Jail:** Avera Sacred Heart Hospital (Prof Services) \$9,311.74; Scott Family Dentistry, Inc. (Prof Services) \$317.49; Charm-Tex (Supplies) \$98.90; Culligan (Food Services) \$46.00; Diamond Drugs (Prof Services) \$10,960.31; McKesson Medical-Surgical, Inc. (Prof Services) \$201.56; Trinity Services Group (Food Services) \$31,662.88; Avera Medical Group-Radiology (Prof Services) \$196.07; Sapphire Health, LLC (Prof Services) \$550.00; Avera Medical Group-Gastroenterology-Sioux Falls (Prof Services) \$114.16; First Bankcard (Maintenance) \$148.51;

JCL Solutions (Supplies) \$1,830.16; Correctional Risk Services (Inmate Insurance) \$2,639.65; Yankton Rexall Drug Co. (Prof Services) \$654.16; **Juvenile Detention:** Minnehaha County Juvenile Detention Center (Rentals) \$12,445.00; **Yankton Area Search & Rescue:** City of Yankton (Supplies) \$1,852.46; Premier Ventures, LLC (Supplies) \$700.00; **Poor Relief:** Qualified Presort Service (Supplies) \$139.49; **Ambulance:** Andersen Telecom, LLC (Maintenance) \$50.00; Bound Tree Medical, LLC (Supplies) \$797.62; City of Yankton (Supplies) \$27.29; CLIA Laboratory Program (Prof Services) \$248.00; Amazon Capital Services (Supplies) \$453.62; Waystar, Inc. (Prof Services) \$675.98; Stryker Sales, LLC (Prof Services) \$5,484.55; Global Test Supply (Supplies) \$129.43; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$409.00; First Bankcard (Prof Services) \$50.00; LEAF (Rentals) \$164.05; Menards (Supplies) \$124.26; Security Shredding Service (Maintenance) \$40.00; Tire Muffler Alignment (Maintenance) \$525.33; Uline (Maintenance) \$593.28; **Mentally Handicapped:** SD Achieve dba Lifescape (Monthly Allotment) \$120.00; **Mental Illness Board:** Val Larson (Hearings) \$68.00; Fox Law Firm, PLLC (Hearings) \$847.50; Pennington County State's Attorney's Office (Hearings) \$215.00; Mark Katterhagen (Hearings) \$68.00; Lewis & Clark Behavioral Health Services (Hearings) \$675.00; Lincoln County Treasurer (Hearings) \$2,148.17; **Extension:** Janelle Brenden (4H) \$100.00; Lauren Hollenbeck (4H) \$40.00; Kathy Jorgensen (4H) \$40.00; Morgan Korthals (4H) \$40.00; Andrew Adam (4H) \$200.00; Joan Miller (4H) \$40.00; Stephanie Burgeson (4H) \$40.00; Rose Hauger (4H) \$40.00; Elijah Berry (4H) \$40.00; John Eliertson (4H) \$281.30; Taylor Arens (4H) \$200.00; Addison Haase (4H) \$160.00; Mackenzie Steinbrecher (4H) \$40.00; Mike Bosma (4H) \$104.60; Elizabeth Massey (4H) \$40.00; Jaxon Schrag (4H) \$192.90; Becky Neuhaufen (4H) \$40.00; Jim Gunderson (4H) \$40.00; Mary Kulish (4H) \$40.00; Jill Metheny (4H) \$40.00; Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$275.06; Stephanie Siebrandt (4H) \$40.00; WNAX SAGA Communications (4H) \$347.00; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$40.72; Yankton County Leaders Association (4H) \$129.33; **Weed:** Koletzky Implement, Inc. (Maintenance) \$173.96; Koletzky Implement, Inc. (Supplies) \$4.40; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$25.58; **Planning and Zoning:** First Bankcard (Supplies) \$66.97; Microfilm Imaging Systems (Maintenance) \$70.00; SD Association of County Commissioners (Travel) \$220.00; Tom Week L.S. (Prof Services) \$600.00; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$74.36; **Highway:** Appeara (Supplies) \$158.06; Avera Sacred Heart Hospital (Prof Services) \$192.00; Avera Medical Group-Occupation Therapy (Prof Services) \$150.80; Andersen Telecom, LLC (Prof Services) \$75.00; NAPA Auto Parts of Yankton (Maintenance) \$224.66; NAPA Autor Parts of Yankton (Supplies) \$37.95; Knife River-South Dakota (Supplies) \$138,154.50; C & R Supply, Inc. (Supplies) \$23.80; Loiseau Construction (Asphalt Roads) \$37,100.00; Astech Corp. (Annual Projects) \$1,357,803.86; TLC Propane (Supplies) \$97.13; AB Insulation, LLC (Supplies) \$13,162.40; Bauer Built (Supplies) \$2,659.52; Gerstner Oil Co. (Highway Fuel) \$304.01; Jim Hawk Truck Trailers (Supplies) \$278.00; Janssen's Garbage Service (Utilities) \$60.00; Locators & Supplies, Inc. (Supplies) \$165.60; Menards (Maintenance) \$160.98; Menards (Supplies) \$21.81; O'Reilly Auto Parts (Maintenance) \$4.28; O'Reilly Auto Parts (Highway Fuel) \$34.37; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$25.59; Yankton Fire & Safety Co. (Maintenance) \$682.50; **E911:** CenturyLink (Utilities) \$83.20; Golden West Telecommunications (Utilities) \$147.21; **OEM:** Verizon (Utilities) \$232.42; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$451.18; First Bankcard (Prof Services) \$821.55; First Bankcard (LEPC Supplies) \$530.25; First Bankcard (Maintenance) \$175.42; LEAF

(Rentals) \$129.26; Tabor Lumber Co. (Supplies) \$341.79; **24/7:** PharmChem, Inc. (Prof Services) \$1,806.51; Redwood Toxicology Laboratories (Prof Services) \$30.60; **M & PR Fund:** One Office Solution (Supplies) \$57.98; **Non-Departmental:** Thomson Reuters-West (Supplies) \$1,236.13; Supercom, Inc. (Jail Tracking Monitors) \$429.00; Byron Nogelmeier (CAM Daily Fees) \$2,885.00; Byron Nogelmeier (Remote Breath Fees) \$476.00; Byron Nogelmeier (State Participation Fees) \$157.00; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Motor Vehicle Fees) \$471,014.82; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Waste Fees) \$5,857.50; South Dakota Department of Revenue (ROD Fees) \$1,840.00; South Dakota Department of Revenue (HSC Services) \$3,046.52; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Redfield Services) \$120.00; SDACO (M & PR Funds) \$494.00; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Predatory Animal) \$2,410.56. General Fund \$129,648.24; Road & Bridge \$1,551,576.82; Emergency Management \$2,681.87. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25273AUD: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Klimisch to supplement the Yankton County Sheriff budget due to unanticipated grant revenue in the amount of \$5,000.00 and insurance revenue in the amount of \$2,649.16. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25274AUD: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to approve the budgeted cash transfers of \$240,000 to Emergency Management. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25275AUD: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to approve the Auditor's Monthly Settlement with the Treasurer and Pooled Cash Report as of June 31, 2025 showing Total Cash of \$11,597,068.71. The General Fund was \$7,171,942.62; Special Funds were \$2,626,086.80; and Fiduciary Funds were \$1,799,039.29 adding to a Grand Total of General Ledger Cash and Investments of \$11,597,068.71. A detailed report is on file with the County Auditor. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

There was a comment from Jay Cutts. Chairman Marquardt closed public comment.

Commissioner updates: State counties convention September 8-9, and special budget meeting on Sept. 5 at 1 p.m.

Action 25276C: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to recess the regular session at 8:20 p.m. and convene in executive session to discuss a personnel issue pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) and poor relief issues pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 & 28-13 and 28-13-1.3. All present voted aye motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25277C: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to adjourn executive session at 7:30 p.m. and reconvene in regular session. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25278C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Klimisch to approve CW.BUR.25-03-002 for \$1,250.00. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 25279C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Kettering to adjourn. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

John Marquardt, Chairman
Yankton County Commission

ATTEST:
Patty Hojem, Yankton County Auditor