

YANKTON COUNTY COMMISSION
January 20, 2026

The regular meeting of the Yankton County Commission was called to order by Chairman John Marquardt at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 20, 2026.

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

There were no conflicts of interest reported by Commissioners.

Action 2617C: A motion was made by Heine and seconded by Klimisch to approve the meeting agenda with the following addition: executive session for Personnel and Extension Building. All present voted aye; motion carried, 4-0.

There were no public comments. Chairman Marquardt closed public comment.

Commissioner Heine said he would like to move forward with moving the Extension office into the County Government Center and inventory the contents for surplus. Heine said they have had interviews for the Extension Office position but haven't made a decision yet.

Highway Superintendent Mike Sedlacek appeared for approval of a RAIF projects for 2026 and authorization to advertise for annual supplies. The Highway Superintendent gave a brief report of the progress on the Stone Church Bridge project.

Action 2618HWY: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Marquardt to approve the RAIF application from Mayfield Township for Structure 68-1615-0205 and 68-1634-0404 and Walshtown Township for Structure 68-1679-0700 and 68-1688-069. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 2619C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to approve advertising for annual bids for the Highway Department. All present voted aye; motion carried, 4-0.

Gayville Fire Chief David Rabe requested forming a fire district. Petitions with 144 signatures were presented to the County Auditor.

There were no public comments. Chairman Marquardt closed public comment.

Action 2620C: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Heine to accept petitions submitted to form the Gayville Fire District. All present voted aye; motion carried, 4-0.

Commissioner Fox joined the meeting.

There was a hearing on Colin Neubauer-Keyes' request for a Cannabis Cultivation License. Location of the facility would be 3706 W 7th St., west of Yankton.

Applicant spoke on the license request. Jo Neubauer also spoke on the request.

Chairman Marquardt closed public comment.

Action 2621C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Kettering to approve the Cannabis facility license. Roll call vote was taken with Fox, Kettering and Marquardt voting aye; and Klimisch and Heine voting nay; motion carried, 3-2.

Ambulance Administrator Jeff Brown and Troy Cowman presented the 2025 fourth quarter report for the Ambulance Department.

Action 2622AMB: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to accept the 2025 fourth quarter report from the Ambulance Office. A detailed report is on file with the County Auditor. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

There was a second reading on a request from Patrick and Jolene Foss to rezone a parcel that is dual zoned. Applicant wishes to rezone a parcel that is zoned Lakeside Commercial (LC) and Moderate Density Residential (MD) to Lakeside Commercial (LC) per Article 18 Section 1803 and Article 20 Section 2003. Said property is legally described as Lot G Fishin' Hole Number 2 in Section 17-93N-56W.

Action 2623Z: A motion was made by Kettering and seconded by Fox to approve the Rezone as presented. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 2624Z: A motion was made by Heine and seconded by Fox to adopt the following resolution: Whereas it appears Patrick and Jolene Foss, owners of record, have caused a re-plat to be made of the following real property: Tract A in Lot G of Fishin Hole No 2 in Lot 5 Tramp's 6th Addition, NE1/4, NE1/4 Section 17-93N-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 2625Z: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Heine to adopt the following resolution: Whereas it appears Rezac Family Trust, owner of record, has caused a plat to be made of the following real property: Tract 1 Annie's Addition, SW1/4 SW1/4, S29-94N-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

Brian Hunhoff appeared before the board to present the Register of Deeds fourth quarter report for 2025.

Action 2626ROD: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox approve the 2025 fourth quarter report from the Register of Deeds Office. A detailed report is on file with the County Auditor. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 2627C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to approve the January 6, 2026 meeting minutes. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 2628C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Fox to approve the following claims: **Commission:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$50.50; South Dakota Department of Legislative Audit (Prof Services) \$24,638.80; Yankton County Observer (Publishing) \$89.79; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$439.20; **Elections:** Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$52.25; **Court:** Avera Sacred Heart Hospital (Lab) \$918.00; Certified Languages International (Prof Services) \$54.45; McClure & Hardy Attorney's at Law (Prof Services) \$2,208.00; John Billings (Prof Services) \$3,840.00; Lutheran Social Services (Prof Services) \$146.25; Brandon Kirkland (Prof Services) \$27.50; Johnson Legal Nurse Consulting Services (Prof Services) \$3,352.50; Witness (Fees) \$66.80; ISI, LLC (Prof Services) \$110.00; Kennedy Pier Loftus Reynolds & Brandt, LLP (Prof Services) \$1,952.40; Department of Health (Lab) \$1,865.00; Dean Schaefer (Prof Services) \$864.00; Creighton Thurman (Prof Services) \$4,794.50; Creighton Thruman (Neglected) \$14,177.50; **Auditor:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$121.00; LEAF (Rentals) \$183.35; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$225.96; Security Shredding Services (Maintenance) \$80.00; One Office Solution (Maintenance) \$136.67; Thomson Reuters-West (Prof Services) \$186.13; **Treasurer:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$197.18; Yankton County Observer (Publishing) \$367.68; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$144.60; Security Shredding Service (Maintenance) \$80.00; **Data Processing:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$852.09; First Bankcard (Maintenance) \$44.78; **States Attorney:** Century Business Products (Rentals) \$303.32; Culligan (Supplies) \$72.00; Karpel Solutions (Prof Services) \$3,200.00; Southeast Public Transit (Diversion Expense) \$30.00; First Bankcard (Diversion Expense) \$578.16; Tyler Larsen (Travel) \$314.60; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Prof Services) \$28.78; Security Shredding Service (Maintenance) \$40.00; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$78.03; Thomson Reuters-West (Prof Services) \$300.01; **Government Center:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$25.25; City of Yankton (Supplies) \$378.09; Culligan (Supplies) \$249.97; Amazon Capital Services (Supplies) \$914.60; Basepoint Building Automations (Maintenance) \$270.17; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$112.49; Janssen's Garbage Service (Maintenance) \$300.00; Menards (Supplies) \$105.85; Menards (Maintenance) \$49.53; MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$1,206.53; Uline (Supplies) \$2,277.85; **Director of Equalization:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$193.50; Microfilm Imaging Systems (Maintenance) \$120.00; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$25.24;

One Office Solution (Maintenance) \$133.46; **Register of Deeds:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$171.69; Executive Mgmt Finance (Supplies) \$58.00; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$51.47; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$68.79; **Veterans Service Office:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$25.25; LEAF (Rentals) \$60.42; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$1.87; One Office Solution (Maintenance) \$12.43; **Safety Center Building:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$222.99; City of Yankton (Dumpster Fees) \$144.00; Amazon Capital Services (Supplies) \$921.59; First Bankcard (Maintenance) \$31.36; Kone, Inc. (Maintenance) \$414.48; Menards (Supplies) \$30.47; Uline (Supplies) \$5,297.85; **Sheriff:** AutoZone (Maintenance) \$123.30; City of Yankton (Fuel) \$3,012.20; Xtreme Car Wash (Maintenance) \$121.20; Culligan (Supplies) \$75.00; Guardian Alliance Technologies (Maintenance Contract) \$190.00; Asia Motors, Inc. (Auto Equipment) \$112,180.00; MOCIC (Maintenance Contract) \$150.00; Pennington County Jail (Travel) \$152.31; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Maintenance Contract) \$199.18; Tire Muffler Alignment (Maintenance) \$846.76; One Office Solution (Maintenance Contract) \$125.56; **County Jail:** Avera Sacred Heart Hospital (Prof Services) \$1,962.42; Scott Family Dentistry, Inc. (Prof Services) \$249.40; Bow Creek Metal, Inc. (Maintenance) \$223.30; Culligan (Food Service) \$124.00; McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions (Supplies) \$355.56; Trinity Services Group (Food Service) \$10,183.40; Avera Medical Group-Radiology (Prof Services) \$185.41; Sapphire Health, LLC (Prof Services) \$566.50; JCL Solutions (Supplies) \$3,110.24; PharmChem, Inc. (Supplies) \$1,806.51; Correctional Risk Services (Inmate Insurance) \$3,330.02; Yankton Rexall Drug Co. (Prof Services) \$527.25; Yankton Medical Clinic (Prof Services) \$1,092.23; **Juvenile Detention:** Minnehaha County Juvenile Detention Center (Rentals) \$12,098.06; **Yankton Search & Rescue:** City of Yankton (Supplies) \$32.25; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$107.21; **Poor Relief:** Robert Nelson (Hospital) \$15,958.00; Robert Nelson (Prof Services) \$167.69; **Ambulance:** A-OX Welding Supply Co. (Rentals) \$301.50; Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$87.99; Bound Tree Medical, LLC (Supplies) \$844.26; City of Yankton (Supplies) \$1,536.19; Amazon Capital Services (Supplies) \$68.59; Sacred Heart Health Services (Supplies) \$93.04; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$73.00; Indeed, Inc. (Prof Services) \$230.05; Janssen's Garbage Service (Maintenance) \$360.00; LEAF (Rentals) \$169.92; Qualified Presort Service, LLC (Supplies) \$96.48; Security Shredding Service (Maintenance) \$40.00; Tire Muffler Alignment (Maintenance) \$173.51; Verizon (Utilities) \$819.80; **Mentally Handicapped:** Avera Sacred Heart Hospital (Prof Services) \$1,000.00; Dakotabilities (Misc.) \$540.00; SD Achieve dba Lifescape (Misc.) \$120.00; **Mental Health Centers:** Ability Building Services (1st Half Allotment) \$11,192.50; **Mental Illness Board:** DenHerder Law Office (Hearings) \$192.00; Val Larson (Hearings) \$16.00; Fox Law Firm, PLLC (Hearings) \$109.75; Mark Katterhagen (Hearings) \$16.00; Lewis & Clark Behavioral Health Services (Hearings) \$2,025.00; Lincoln County Treasurer (Hearings) \$2,765.34; Luci Lewno (Hearings) \$218.73; Dean Schaefer (Hearings) \$541.40; **Extension:** Larry's Heating & Cooling (Maintenance) \$182.65; Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$113.13; **Weed:** Gray Manufacturing Co. (Supplies) \$10,500.00; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$156.01; **Planning and Zoning:** Clarity Telecom, LLC (Utilities) \$50.50; ESRI (Maintenance) \$1,750.00; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$15.02; Microfilm Imaging Systems (Supplies) \$70.00; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Supplies) \$244.82; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$98.20; **Highway:** Bomgaars (Maintenance) \$49.99; Bomgaars (Supplies) \$6.99; B-Y Water District (Utilities)

\$77.25; Clarity Telecom LLC (Utilities) \$160.39; NAPA Auto Parts of Yankton (Maintenance) \$31.40; Chuck's Sanitary Service (Maintenance) \$400.00; CenturyLink (Utilities) \$79.27; D-P Tools (Supplies) \$885.56; Blackstrap, Inc. (Supplies) \$1,647.25; Amazon Capital Services (Supplies) \$366.06; Francotyp-Postalia, Inc. (Supplies) \$71.85; Jim Hawk Truck Trailers (Maintenance) \$69.31; Auto Value (Maintenance) \$103.92; I State Truck Center (Maintenance) \$337.99; Janssen's Garbage Service (Utilities) \$60.00; Kimball Midwest (Supplies) \$116.24; Menards (Maintenance) \$19.98; Menards (Supplies) \$45.07; MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$1,558.44; Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$1,349.99; Yankton County Observer (Publishing) \$24.77; O'Reilly Auto Parts (Maintenance) \$14.97; Riverside Hydraulics (Maintenance) \$144.70; SD Association of County Highway Superintendents (Travel) \$1,000.00; Spencer Quarries, Inc. (Bridges) \$7,299.92; One Office Solution (Supplies) \$156.01; Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan (Publishing) \$41.04; Yankton Janitorial Supply (Supplies) \$210.55; **E911:** Golden West Telecommunications (Utilities) \$147.21; **OEM:** Kopetsky's Ace Hardware (Supplies) \$126.73; Boston Shoes to Boots (Supplies) \$154.99; Yankton Home & Garden (Maintenance) \$110.00; First Bankcard (Supplies) \$753.74; First Bankcard (Prof Services) \$1,002.92; First Bankcard (LEPC Supplies) \$353.33; First Bankcard (Maintenance) \$120.07; Midcontinent Communications (Utilities) \$171.04; Tabor Lumber Coop. (Supplies) \$220.13; **Government Buildings:** Amazon Capital Services (Supplies) \$106.61; Menards (Supplies) \$45.98; Uline (Supplies) \$1,424.65; **24/7:** PharmChem, Inc. (Prof Services) \$3,706.20; **M & PR Fund:** One Office Solution (Supplies) \$60.23; **Law Library:** Thomson Reuters-West (Prof Services) \$1,347.38; **Non-Departmental:** Sobriety Testing (Refund) \$67.00; Gary Hoxeng (Volin Lateral Ditch) \$1,213.80; Supercom, Inc. (Jail Tracking Monitors) \$133.25; Byron Nogelmeier (CAM Daily Fees) \$2,600.00; Byron Nogelmeier (Remote Breath) \$516.00; Yankton County Observer (Road District) \$17.60; Byron Nogelmeier (State Participation Fees) \$139.00; Ambulance Refund (Fees) \$277.49; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Notary Fees) \$12.40; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Other Copies) \$1.86; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Assessor Copies) \$25.73; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Finger Prints) \$91.14; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Motor Vehicle Fees) \$414,649.06; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Waste Fees) \$3,230.00; South Dakota Department of Revenue (ROD Fees) \$1,690.00; South Dakota Department of Revenue (HSC Services) \$3,851.92; South Dakota Department of Revenue (Redfield Services) \$120.00. General Fund \$291,533.85; Road & Bridge \$16,328.91; Emergency Management \$3,012.95. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 2629AUD: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Klimisch to approve the Auditor's Monthly Settlement with the Treasurer and Pooled Cash Report as of December 31 2025 showing Total Cash of \$8,149,618.37. The General Fund was \$5,097,914.88; Special Funds were \$1,702,901.37; and Fiduciary Funds were \$1,348,802.12 adding to a Grand Total of General Ledger Cash and Investments of \$8,149,618.37. A detailed report is on file with the County Auditor. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

RESOLUTION 1-26

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to appoint election officials in 2024 and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 12-15-11, the fee paid to election officials shall be established annually by the board of county commissioners at its first regular meeting of the year; now, therefore, be it **Resolved** by the Yankton County Board of Commissioners that for the year 2026, election officials shall be paid as follows:

Precinct Superintendent	\$250.00 per day
Precinct Worker	\$200.00 per day
Election School attendance paid to all attendees.	\$25.00 flat rate
Rate of rent for polling locations.	\$100.00 flat rate
Absentee Board	\$150.00 flat rate
Mileage	.70 per mile
Post Election Audit Board	\$18.50 per hour

Yankton County Chairman, John Marquardt /s/

ATTEST: Patty Hojem, Yankton County Auditor /s/

Action 2630C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to adopt the following Board committee assignments for 2026. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

- Ambulance Liaison: John Marquardt and Ryan Heine
- County Planning Commission/Yankton City-County Planning Committee: Don Kettering and Dan Klimisch
- District III Board: Don Kettering
- Director of Equalization Liaison: Ryan Heine and Dan Klimisch
- Drainage Board: Dan Klimisch
- Emergency Contact Commissioner: John Marquardt
- Emergency Contact Staff Member: Patty Hojem
- Emergency Management Liaison/Homeland Security/Local Emergency Planning and E911 Committee: John Marquardt and Wanda Howey-Fox
- Extension Board/4-H Liaison: Wanda Howey-Fox and Ryan Heine
- Federal Prison Camp Community Relations Board: Dan Klimisch
- Historical Society Board: Wanda Howey-Fox
- Human Services Center Board: Don Kettering
- Information Technology: Ryan Heine
- Joint Powers Committee: Dan Klimisch
- Library Board: Ryan Heine
- Mental Health Board: Don Kettering and Ryan Heine
- County Grounds Maintenance: Gary Vetter
- Road Committee/Highway Liaison: Wanda Howey-Fox and John Marquardt
- Safety Center Committee/Yankton City-County Planning Committee: Includes two commissioners (John Marquardt and Dan Klimisch), county auditor (Patty Hojem), county sheriff (Preston Crissey), two city commissioners, city police chief, and city manager.
- The Center Board: Dan Klimisch
- Thrive Board: Don Kettering
- Veteran's Service Office Liaison: John Marquardt and Ryan Heine

- Weed Board: Wanda Howey-Fox and John Marquardt
- Yankton County Conservation District: Wanda Howey-Fox and Don Kettering
- JDI: Wanda Howey-Fox and Don Kettering
- Strategic Planning: Don Kettering and Dan Klimisch
- Housing: Don Kettering and Dan Klimisch
- Financial Committee: Patty Hojem, John Marquardt and Ryan Heine

Action 2631: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Heine to approve the 2026 Combined Election Agreement between Yankton County, Yankton City Hall and Yankton School District.

2026 COMBINED ELECTION AGREEMENT

This agreement is entered into between Yankton County, Yankton School District 63-3 and the City of Yankton, all political subdivisions of the State of South Dakota, for the purpose of conducting a combined election as provided for under the provisions of SDCL 9-13-37, 13-7-10.3 and 12-2-6.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This agreement shall become effective on the date that all parties have signed the agreement.

PURPOSE: It is the purpose of this agreement for the parties to conduct their individually required elections in combined elections. The County/School combined election will be held on June 2, 2026, which is the date of the regular primary election. The County/City combined election will be held on November 3, 2026, which is the date of the general election. Elections are being combined to save tax dollars on the cost of individually conducted elections and to encourage a better voter turnout for all entities.

COST SHARING: The parties to this agreement shall share the costs of the combined election as set forth herein. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Each Governmental entity shall publish its own required notices, except where they may by law be jointly published. The cost of jointly published notices shall be shared proportionately by ballot issue and /or candidate.

The City Finance Officer will be responsible for the petition process for municipal Election candidates and will certify the names of the candidates to be listed on the Ballot to the County Auditor by 5:00 P.M. on August 27, 2026.

Salaries and expenses of election boards within the city shall be shared equally by the parties. Rural school district salaries and expenses shall be shared by the county and school. Precinct costs outside the school district shall be borne by the county.

Polling place rent shall be shared equally within the city, school, and county precincts. County shall bear the cost of rural precincts outside the school district.

The cost of all jointly used materials (ballot stamps, ballots, poll books, etc.) will be shared equally. Each entity will pay the cost of its individually used materials and supplies.

Data processing costs including setup, test run, ballot count and e-poll book support shall be shared proportionately by ballot issue and/or candidate.

If any of the parties of this agreement are not required to have an election, only those costs of the joint action, if any, to the point of withdrawal will be shared. The remainder of the election costs will be borne by the remaining entity(ies) conducting the election.

Yankton County will pay all costs associated with the election and the city and school agree to reimburse the county for their share of the costs as determined in this agreement.

ELECTION WORKERS: The Yankton County Auditor will be responsible for recruiting, organizing, and training election workers.

VOTE CENTERS: Yankton County will be responsible for each vote center.

VOTE CENTER	ADDRESS
City Hall	416 Walnut St, Yankton SD
North Fire Station #2	201 W 23 rd St, Yankton SD
Gayville Community Center	404 Washington St, Gayville SD
Mayfield Store	44398 SD HWY 46, Irene SD
Lesterville Fire Hall	212 Main Ave, Lesterville SD
Lewis & Clark Recreation Area	43349 SD HWY 52, Yankton SD
Yankton County Government Center (absentee voting)	321 W 3 rd St, Yankton SD

ABSENTEE VOTING: The Yankton County Auditor will be responsible for absentee voting. Absentee ballots and mail-in ballots shall be available at the office of the County Auditor for voters who wish to vote absentee.

CANVASSING OF THE VOTE: Each entity shall canvass the votes of their election at the next meeting following the election.

The Yankton County Auditor, the Yankton School Business Manager, and the Yankton City Finance Officer are hereby empowered and directed to cooperate in any manner that will accomplish the purpose and intent of this agreement in order to facilitate this election in the most efficient and economical manner.

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

Commissioner updates: Legislative session, county task forces.

Action 2631C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Heine to recess the regular session at 7:15 p.m. and convene in executive session to discuss Poor Relief Issues Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 & 28-13 and Personnel Issue Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1). All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

Action 2632C: A motion was made by Klimisch and seconded by Fox to adjourn executive session at 7:05 p.m. and reconvene in regular session. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

There was no action taken on executive session.

Action 2633C: A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Klimisch to adjourn. All present voted aye; motion carried, 5-0.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

John Marquardt, Chairman
Yankton County Commission

ATTEST:

Patty Hojem, Yankton County Auditor