

**UNAPPROVED
LAKE COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES**

April 7, 2026

The Board of Lake County Commissioners met in regular session on April 7, 2026, at 9 a.m. in the commission meeting room at the Lake County Courthouse. Adam Leighton, Lake County Commission Chair, called the meeting to order. Paula Barrick, Lake County Auditor, called roll call: Commissioner Corey Johnke, Commissioner Adam Leighton, Commissioner Deb Reinicke, Commissioner Dennis Slaughter, and Commissioner Kelli Wollmann were all present. Abby Oftedal, Interim CAO, was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: COUNTY COMMISSION, PLANNING COMMISSION, OR BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT: None

AGENDA APPROVED:

Auditor Barrick informed the board that Light The Night for Fallen Fighters can be removed from the agenda as that will be addressed at a later meeting. Motion by Reinicke, second by Wollmann, to approve the agenda for April 7, 2026 with the change. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Motion by Wollmann, second by Slaughter, to approve the unapproved minutes of March 17, 2026. Motion carried.

PAYROLL APPROVED:

Motion by Reinicke, second by Slaughter, to approve payroll #7-April 3, 2026. Motion carried.
Comm: \$7,479.25; Auditor: \$6,639.49; Treasurer: \$6,215.82; States Atty: \$9,677.10; Govt Bldg: \$6,423.56; DOE: \$6,245.34; ROD: \$5,319.02; VSO: \$1,290.06; Sheriff: \$21,613.73; Jail: \$16,661.92; Coroner: 2,625.00; Poor: \$87.21; Ext: \$819.55; Zoning: \$2,239.11; Rd-Br: \$10,986.61; 911: \$14,040.48; EMA: \$2,081.74; 24/7: \$706.65. Grand Total: \$121,151.64

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Motion by Slaughter, second by Johnke, to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$201,948.29. Motion carried.

2026.03.20 AP - General: Lake Co Treasurer, Withholdings, \$17,666.60, **Rd & Br:** Lake Co Treasurer, Withholdings, \$2,732.38, **911:** AAA Collections, Emp #3470, \$335.84, Lake Co Treasurer, Withholdings, \$2,555.16, **EMA:** Lake Co Treasurer, Withholdings, \$491.42, **24/7:** Lake Co Treasurer, Withholdings, \$100.48. **Total: \$23,881.88**

2026.03.27 AP - General: Aflac, Ded, \$2,086.51, Delta Dental, Ded, \$880.78, SD Retirement, Withholdings, \$20,494.06, SD Supp Retirement, Withholdings, \$3,805.10, Unum, Prem, \$220.59, VSP, Prem, \$533.12, Wellmark, Prem, \$22,814.36, **Commission:** Midco, Util, \$54.35, **Auditor:** Midco, Util, \$65.10, **Treasurer:** Midco, Util, \$96.14, **St Atty:** Midco, Util, \$81.84, **Bldg:** City Of Madison, Util, \$28.84, Midco, Util, \$168.15, Northwestern Energy, Util, \$12.00, **DOE:** Century Business, Maint, \$412.73, Midco, Util, \$108.01, **ROD:** Midco, Util, \$48.04, **VSO:** Midco, Util, \$23.03, **Sheriff:** Midco, Util, \$146.03, **Jail:** Midco, Util, \$146.03, Northwestern Energy, Util, \$632.90, **EMA:** Aflac, Ded, \$128.22, City Of Madison, Util, \$405.59, Delta Dental, Ded, \$52.20, Midco, Util, \$23.03, Northwestern Energy, Util, \$97.94, SD Retirement, Withholdings, \$529.40, SD Supp Retirement, Withholdings, \$25.00, Sioux Valley, Util, \$679.80, Unum, Prem, \$6.00, VSP, Prem, \$17.04, Wellmark, Prem, \$960.39, **911:** Aflac, Ded, \$636.26, CenturyLink, Util, \$195.40, Delta Dental, Ded, \$104.40, SD Retirement, Withholdings, \$3,199.22, SD Supp Retirement, Withholdings, \$105.00, Sioux Valley, Util, \$131.75, Unum, Prem, \$34.38, VSP, Prem, \$106.21, Wellmark, Prem, \$6,538.24, **Rd & Br:** Aflac, Ded, \$262.24, City Of Madison, Util, \$636.93, Delta Dental, Ded, \$156.60, Midco, Util, \$230.44, Northwestern Energy, Util, \$552.93, SD Retirement, Withholdings, \$2,703.06, SD Supp Retirement, Withholdings, \$225.00, Unum, Prem, \$30.00, VSP, Prem, \$78.38, Wellmark, Prem, \$4,623.97, **Poor:** Midco, Util, \$12.92, **Extension:** City Of Madison, Util, \$929.49, Midco, Util, \$333.80, Northwestern Energy, Util, \$299.12, **Zoning:** Midco, Util, \$12.92, **24/7:** Aflac, Ded, \$2.31, Delta Dental, Ded, \$0.62, SD Retirement, Withholdings, \$18.52, SD Supp Retirement, Withholdings, \$0.90, Unum, Prem, \$0.15, VSP, Prem, \$0.21, Wellmark, Prem, \$11.53. **Total: \$77,955.22**

2026.04.07 AP - Commission: Infotech, Serv, \$46.00, Kingsbury County Auditor, Regs/Wollmann, Reinicke, Slaughter, \$42.00, Quadient, Lease, \$2.36, **Elections:** Infotech, Serv, \$99.00, Quadient,

Lease, \$66.45, **Judicial:** De Castro, Manuel, CAA, \$2,202.20, Deya Thorin, Interpret, \$251.85, Lopez, Anahi Perez, Interpret, \$150.00, Miller, Cody, CAA, \$683.20, Nelson & Ericsson Law, CAA, \$854.00, Nelson, Jennifer, CAA, \$2,507.79, Ribstein & Hogan Law, CAA, \$3,140.90, Witness/Juror/ Appear, \$420.60, **Auditor:** First Madison Ins, Olson, Jill/Notary, \$56.82, Infotech, Serv, \$144.00, Miner County Pioneer, Supplies, \$225.00, Quadient, Lease, \$154.83, Kingsbury County Auditor, Reg/Barrick, \$14.00, **Treasurer:** A & B Business, Maint, \$331.23, Infotech, Serv, \$177.00, Infotech, Computers, \$2,599.98, Kingsbury County Auditor, Regs, \$14.00, Quadient, Lease, \$415.03, Qualified Presort, Serv, \$5,944.70, **St Atty:** Century Business, Maint, \$72.14, Infotech, Serv, \$274.00, Quadient, Lease, \$6.98, **Bldg:** Basepoint, Supplies, \$32.64, Cole's, Fuel, \$321.50, Hillyard, Supplies, \$791.00, Infotech, Serv, \$84.00, Kolorworks, Supplies, \$207.21, Menards, Supplies, \$217.00, **DOE:** First Madison Ins, Olson, Tammy/Notary, \$75.97, Infotech, Serv, \$551.99, Infotech, Computer, \$1,149.99, Kingsbury County Auditor, Reg/Kaufmann, \$14.00, Quadient, Lease, \$163.18, Schneider Geospatial, Beacon, \$18,576.00, SDAAO, Kaufmann, Cori/Reg, \$500.00, **ROD:** Century Business, Maint, \$66.67, First Madison Ins, Jordahl, Megan/Notary, \$57.03, Government Forms, Supplies, \$545.97, Infotech, Serv, \$266.00, Kingsbury County Auditor, Ebsen/Reg, \$14.00, Miner County Pioneer, Supplies, \$77.00, Quadient, Lease, \$58.60, **VSO:** Infotech, \$60.95, Serv, Quadient, Lease, \$2.85, **IT:** Infotech, Serv, \$983.00, **Sheriff:** Applied Concepts, Supplies, \$276.00, AT&T, Util, \$382.86, Axis Forensic, Test, \$585.00, Cole's, Fuel, \$3,322.20, Infotech, Serv, \$774.18, Madison Reg Health, Test, \$832.00, Quadient, Lease, \$63.21, Emp #4550, Reimburse, \$800.00, Ruan, Lease, \$181.00, Tire Motive, Repairs, \$23.54, **Jail:** Charm-Tex, Supplies, \$317.60, Goth Electric, Serv, \$538.98, Grainger, Supplies, \$637.32, Infotech, Serv, \$774.18, Lewis Drug, March Meds, \$40.15, Rising Hope, Serv, \$405.00, **Coroner:** Axis Forensic, Test, \$195.00, **EMA:** Cedar Shore Resort, Keefer, Kody/Lodging, \$273.56, Infotech, Serv, \$48.00, Quadient, Lease, \$0.79, **911:** Infotech, Serv, \$1,371.96, Lumen, Util, \$8.36, Menards, Boards, \$217.00, Quadient, Lease, \$1.28, Quill, Supplies, \$83.17, **Dive:** M&T Fire & Safety, Ice Suits, \$2,839.60, **Rd & Br:** Cole's, Fuel, \$1,960.04, Connoisseur, Notices, \$200.00, Equipment Blades, Blades, \$11,072.00, Fleetpride, Repairs, \$930.23, Gracevale Excavation, Serv, \$560.00, Hyland Machining, Repairs, \$40.00, Infotech, Serv, \$192.00, Krug, Repairs, \$187.70, Lake County Intl, Supplies, \$559.06, Madison Ace, Supplies, \$313.72, Michael Johnson Const, Rock, \$19,119.05, MidAmerican, Util, \$135.69, Quadient, Lease, \$4.72, Riddle's Glass, Repair Window, \$241.80, Sign Solutions, Supplies, \$187.42, Sioux Valley, Util, \$191.25, Xcel Energy, Util, \$34.94, **Poor:** George Boom Funeral Home, Cremation, \$2,250.00, Infotech, Serv, \$39.00, Quadient, Lease, \$1.57, Riddle's Glass, Install Glass, \$107.13, **MI:** Community Counseling, Serv, \$660.00, **Extension:** Infotech, Serv, \$190.00, Quadient, Lease, \$12.88, **Zoning:** Infotech, Serv, \$81.00, Quadient, Lease, \$28.31, Riddle's Glass, Install Glass, \$107.13. **Total:** \$100,111.19

PERSONNEL/HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

Cara Barnhart, Highway Office Manager, told the board that Paul Glanzer has accepted a heavy equipment operator position. Motion by Slaughter, second by Reinicke, to approve the hire of Paul Glanzer, full-time heavy equipment operator, at a rate of \$20/hr effective April 13, 2026. Motion carried.

APPROVE TRAVEL REQUESTS:

Motion by Slaughter, second by Reinicke, to approve the submitted travel requests. Motion carried.

COMBINED PRIMARY AND OLDHAM/RAMONA/RUTLAND ELECTION APPROVED:

Auditor Barrick informed the board that she and Interim CAO Abby Oftedal had prepared an agreement with the Oldham/Ramona/Rutland School District to combine their election with Lake County's June 2nd election. The ORR board approved this agreement at their March 25, 2026, meeting. Motion by Reinicke, second by Wollmann, to approve the agreement with the Oldham/Ramona/Rutland School District to combine their election with Lake County's June 2, 2026, Primary Election. Motion carried.

4-H SHOW RING SHELTER LEAN-TO ADDITION:

Ryan Kappenman, 4-H Livestock Committee member, was present to discuss a proposed addition to the show ring shelter. This 16'X72' addition would be a roof on each side of the current show ring. The addition would be paid by the Lake County Livestock Committee. One quote has been received

from Advanced Contracting Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$29,336.79. Kappenman and Dave Hare, Buildings & Grounds Superintendent, will be working together on this project. Motion by Reinicke, second by Johnke, to approve the 4-H show ring shelter lean-to project. Motion carried.

2026 SEASONAL HIGHWAY BID LETTING:

Per advertisement, the Lake County Highway material annual bid opening was held on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. Tim Tolley, Highway Superintendent, and Cara Barnhart, Office Manager, were present to discuss the 2026 bids that had been received. The following bids were received.

Liquid Asphalt

Vendor	Product	Price
Jebro	CRS 2P	\$710.99/TN
	CSS 1H	\$670.99/TN
Flint Hills	CRS 2P	\$807/TN Delivered
	CSS 1H	\$749/TN Delivered

Motion by Reinicke, second by Slaughter, to approve the bid of Jebro for liquid asphalt. Motion carried.

Asphalt Patching Material

Vendor	Product	Price
Bowe's	E2	\$66.50/TN
Commercial Asphalt	All	\$73.00/tn (Mitchell), \$70.00/tn (Spencer when running)
Knife River	All	\$70.00/tn
Myrl & Roy's	G1	\$72.00/tn
	G2	\$74.00/tn

Motion by Slaughter, second by Wollmann, to approve all asphalt patching material vendors and utilize at the Highway Superintendent's discretion. Motion carried.

Red Crushed Quartzite Chips

Vendor	Product	Price
L.G. Everest	1/2"	\$27.45/tn
	3/8"	\$29.05/tn
Spencer Quarries	3/8"	\$16.00/tn

Motion by Reinicke, second by Wollmann, to approve the bid from Spencer Quarries for red crushed quartzite chips. Motion carried.

Chipseal Project

Vendor	Project	Price
The Road Guy	A - 10 Miles	\$23,000.00/per lane mile
	B - 8 Miles	\$23,875.00/per lane mile
	C - 7 Miles	\$23,875.00/per lane mile
	D - 8 Miles	\$24,760.00/per lane mile

Motion by Wollmann, second by Slaughter, to approve the lone bid from The Road Guy for projects A, B, C, & D for chipseal. Motion carried.

Rip-Rap/Class B Red Rock or Class C Field Stone

Vendor	Product	Price
L.G. Everist	Class B	\$31.80/tn
Spencer	Class B	\$19.75/tn

Motion by Reinicke, second by Slaughter, to approve the bid from Spencer Quarries for rip-rap/class B red rock or class C field stone. Motion carried.

Polypropylene Culverts

Vendor	Size	Price
Core & Main	12HP	\$12.20/ft

15HP	\$17.86/ft
18HP	\$22.24/ft
24HP	\$33.45/ft

Motion by Slaughter, second by Johnke, to approve the lone bid from Core & Main for polypropylene culverts. Motion carried.

Steel Culverts

Vendor	Size	Price
TrueNorth Steel	Multiple	

Motion by Reinicke, second by Wollmann, to approve the lone bid from TrueNorth Steel for steel culverts. Motion carried.

Gravel Crushing

Vendor	Price
Bowe's	\$2.59/tn
First Rate Excavate	\$3.00/tn
Rechnagel Construction	\$3.65/tn
Brownlee Aggregates	\$4.10/tn

Motion by Slaughter, second by Johnke, to approve the bid from Bowe's for gravel crushing. Motion carried.

Equipment Rental

Vendor	Equipment	Price
Stallion Trucking/Site Services	Bulldozer	\$200.00/hr
	Excavator	\$170.00/hr
	Loader (GT RT165 Track Loader)	\$130.00/hr
	Loader (Caterpillar 966F)	\$150.00/hr
	Tractor-Trailer	\$150.00/hr

Motion by Slaughter, second by Wollmann, to approve the lone bid from Stallion Trucking for equipment rental. Motion carried.

Weed Spraying

Vendor	Price
DeAngelo Contracting	\$29,497.50 (\$102.60 Per Centerline)
Ditch Weed	\$29,500.00

Motion by Reinicke, second by Johnke, to approve the bid from Ditch Weed for weed spraying. Motion carried.

LOADER/MOTOR GRADER LEASE:

Hwy Supt. Tolley and Ofc Manager Barnhart discussed the loader and grader leases, which are set to expire in May 2026 and July 2026, respectively. The board asked Tolley and Barnhart to obtain information from the leasing company regarding the buyout or re-lease amounts for the loader and grader when the leases expire.

WEED BOARD COMPENSATION:

Tolley and Barnhart also addressed the board regarding compensation for the Weed Board. CAO Oftedal stated that per SDCL, Lake County is required to have four Weed Board meetings a year. Discussion was held regarding the compensation amount received by Weed Board members for each meeting. Motion by Reinicke, second by Wollmann, to approve compensation for appointed Weed Board members in the amount of \$40 per meeting plus mileage. Motion carried.

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT/SHERIFF DEPARTMENT:

Sarina Talich, Sheriff, was present to discuss a homeland security grant that she had applied for in the amount of \$61,980.93 to replace seven special response vests. This grant is 100% reimbursed to the county. Motion by Wollmann, second by Reinicke, to ratify the homeland security grant to purchase special response vests. Motion carried.

2026 PRISONER MEAL BIDS:

Sheriff Talich told the board that she had received one bid for prisoner meals. Motion by Reinicke, second by Slaughter, to approve the lone bid from Sunshine Foods for prisoner meals in the amount of \$8.49 per meal, with an additional \$1.00 for special meals. Motion carried.

JUVENILE REIMBURSEMENT RECEIVED:

Sheriff Talich informed the board that the county had received \$538 from the Juvenile Reimbursement Fund from the State of South Dakota.

ABATEMENT 2026-07:

Deb Walburg, Treasurer, was present to discuss an elderly tax freeze application that she had received after the deadline. Motion by Wollmann, second by Slaughter, to approve Abatement 2026-07 in the amount of \$1,097.69. Motion carried.

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Kody Keefer, EM, was present to discuss a homeland security grant application he had submitted in the amount of \$150,544.40 to replace the county's fire department and ambulance radios and pagers. Homeland Security grants are 100% reimbursable to the county. Motion by Reinicke, second by Johnke, to ratify the homeland security grant for the purchase of radios and pagers for Lake County's fire departments and ambulance services. Motion carried.

COUNTY BURIAL 2026-01:

Carrie Schiernbeck, Welfare Director, presented county burial 2026-01 to the board. Motion by Wollmann, second by Reinicke, to ratify the funeral/burial expense for the deceased 26-01 in the amount of \$2,250.00. This approval is based upon SDCL 28-17-2: Whenever any person who is destitute and has no estate, and has no one legally bound for funeral expenses, and where there is no other source to pay the cost of burial expense, the funeral expense shall then be borne by the County of which the deceased was a resident at the time of death. Motion carried.

RECESS AS COUNTY COMMISSION/CONVENE AS A JOINT PLANNING/COUNTY COMMISSION:

Motion by Reinicke, second by Slaughter, to recess as a County Commission and convene jointly as a Planning/County Commission. Motion carried.

JOINT PLANNING/COUNTY COMMISSION AGENDA APPROVED AND ACKNOWLEDGE PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Motion by Reinicke, second by Johnke, to approve the Joint Planning/County Commission agenda and acknowledge no public comments were received. Motion carried.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, RELATIONSHIP(S) TO APPLICANT(S); OR EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None

CONSIDERATION/PRESENTATION ON PLATS:

Carrie Schiernbeck, Zoning Officer, gave a report on the following plats.

Plat of Tract 1 of Roling Addition an addition in the NE1/4 of Section 25, T106N, Range 53W of the 5th p.m., Herman Township, Lake County, SD (10000-10653-25120). The owner, David Roling, would like to create a new parcel for future development.

Plat of Tract 2 of Roling Addition an addition in the S1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 25, T106N, Range 53W of the 5th p.m., Herman Township, Lake County, SD (10000-10653-25430 & 10000-10653-25420). The owners, David Roling & Shyrlee Roling Testamentary Trust would like to replat an existing parcel to add additional acres.

Plat of Tract 1 of Byre Addition in Government Lot 6 in the NE1/4 of Section 10, T105N, Range 51W of the 5th p.m., Chester Township, Lake County, SD (01000-10551-10110). The owners, Elton Byre & James Luce, would like to plat an existing parcel.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

Motion by Reinicke, second by Slaughter, to recommend to the County Commission approval of the following plats: Plat of Tract 1 of Roling Addition, Plat of Tract 2 of Roling Addition, and Plat of Tract 1 of Byre Addition. Motion carried.

ACTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION:

Motion by Johnke, second by Reinicke, to acknowledge receipt of the Planning Commission's recommendations. Motion carried.

Motion by Wollmann, second by Slaughter, to approve the Plat of Tract 1 of Roling Addition an addition in the NE1/4 of Section 25, T106N, Range 53W of the 5th p.m., Herman Township, Lake County, SD, as it meets county regulations and all fees and taxes have been paid in full. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnke, second by Slaughter, to approve the Plat of Tract 2 of Roling Addition an addition in the S1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 25, T106N, Range 53W of the 5th p.m., Herman Township, Lake County, SD, as it meets county regulations and all fees and taxes have been paid in full. Motion carried.

Motion by Reinicke, second by Wollmann, to approve Plat of Tract 1 of Byre Addition in Government Lot 6 in the NE1/4 of Section 10, T105N, Range 51W of the 5th p.m., Chester Township, Lake County, SD, as it meets county regulations and all fees and taxes have been paid in full. Motion carried.

ADJOURN AS A JOINT PLANNING/COUNTY COMMISSION AND RECONVENE AS A COUNTY COMMISSION:

Motion by Reinicke, second by Slaughter, to adjourn as a Joint Planning/County Commission and reconvene as a County Commission. Motion carried.

REAPPRAISAL PLAN/EQUALIZATION:

Cori Kaufmann, DOE, presented a document detailing her proposed plan for countywide reappraisal. She indicated that her office plans to implement a six-year countywide reappraisal cycle. Kaufmann stated that a notice will be mailed to the landowner prior to the start of inspection.

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT PROCLAMATION:

Chair Leighton read a proclamation for National County Government Month. Commissioner Wollmann reminded the board that the 3rd grade school tours will be Friday, April 10th starting at 11:30. Madison Central and Oldham/Ramona/Rutland School Districts will be participating.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

Commissioner Slaughter attended a two-day ICAP Strategic Planning session, LAIC, and 2 meetings at the Highway Department. Commissioner Leighton attended a meeting with Banner Associates at the Highway Department, Weed Board meeting, and attended the ribbon cutting at EmBe Education-Madison. Commissioner Reinicke attended the EmBe Education-Madison donor reception and a preconstruction meeting regarding 457th Ave. Commissioner Wollmann attended a Madison Public Library meeting and sang the National Anthem at the 2026 Madison American Legion Post 25 BB Gun Championship.

REPORTS RECEIVED:

March 2026 fees collected: Zoning - \$2,198.00

ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion by Reinicke, second by Wollmann, at 10:28 a.m. to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be the annual Board of Equalization meeting that will be on April 14, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

/s/Paula Barrick

PAULA BARRICK

Lake County Auditor

/s/Adam Leighton

ADAM LEIGHTON

Lake County Commission Chair