OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2025

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on April 8, 2025. Present: Ramon Bear Runner, Allyssa Comer, Art Hopkins, Wendell Yellow Bull and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray) was present via telephone.

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m. by Chairwoman Comer. The agenda was reviewed for conflicts. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Yellow Bull, to approve the agenda as written.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve March 13, 2025, minutes.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins to approve the Auditor's Account with the Treasurer for February, 2025 as follows:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of this County on this 28th day of February 2025.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS:	$	144,094.10
Total Amount of Cash:	$	1,397.20
Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days:	$	1,468.57
FIRST INTERSTATE SAVINGS		
First Interstate, HS:	$	2,476,510.32
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:		
Schwab 2 year	$	2,124,955.94
Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts that have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days:		
Election Petty Cash:	$	15.00
RETURNED CHECKS:		
Deaton, Tyler	$	110.10
TOTAL	**$**	**4,748,551.23**

Dated This 28th Day of February 2025.

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje, County
Auditor of Oglala
Lakota County

/S/ Teresa Pullen
Teresa Pullen, County Treasurer
of Oglala Lakota County

County Monies	$	4,601,399.85
Held for other Entities	$	53,991.66
Held in Trust	$	93,159.72
TOTAL	**$**	**4,748,551.23**

The Above Balance Reflects County Monies, Monies Held in Trust, and
Monies Collected for and to be remitted to Other ENTITIES: SCHOOLS, TOWNS, AND STATE.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve travel for Teresa Pullen, Treasurer; Melody Engebretson, Register of Deeds; and Arrow Bettelyoun, Elections Administrative Assistant, to attend the SDACO Spring Workshop in Pierre, May 13-14, 2025, to include registration fees, lodging and per diem.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Yellow Bull, to table the discussion regarding the land where the Batesland Solid Waste Site is located until 3:30.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the Travel Advance Repayment Agreement to be signed every time an advanced travel check is issued. Also, if someone is picking up a check for someone else, they will provide their initials to signify that the recipient agrees and is authorizing someone to sign for them.

Lynx Bettelyoun, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the purchase of a 1981 Trailmobile 8,400-gallon tanker trailer from Buscho Enterprises, LLC in the amount of $8,000.00.

Bettelyoun noted that the trailer had been inspected by the SDDOT. He then provided updates and his monthly report. A brief discussion regarding land to purchase for the new Highway Shop.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to accept the Highway Department's monthly report.

TJ Plume, Alpha One Fire Department, joined the meeting via telephone at 1:44 p.m.

Takes the Shield (Dubray) re-entered the meeting via telephone at 1:45 p.m. as her call had dropped.

Mark Mesteth, Sheriff, met with the Board.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the surplus of the following items to junk: Axon Dock Bay, SN TI0317000TC; Axon Body Camera, asset tag #00412; Axon Body Camera, asset tag #00413; Sanyo VPC-850 Digital Camera, SN 080911178097; 2 OLCSO Deputy Badges 61-1C; Interstate Battery Charger, no tag; Nightstick TAC-560XL, asset tag #00397; Nightstick TAC-560XL, asset tag #00398; Viasat wifi, SN G39418094915; Kustom Pro 1000 DS Radar, SN 68080; Kustom Signal Antenna, SN DE 33358; Decatur Electronics Genesis I Radar, SN GK 28685; Miscellaneous unknown

radar antenna; Watch Guard base, SD DV10-127697; Kustom Signal Golden Eagle II Radar, SN 200-2062-00; Kustom Signal Antenna, SN DE33357; Six Function Switch Box, no tag; 4 Federal Sign Siren PA 300 Series, no tag.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, second by Hopkins, to approve adding an additional line item into the Sheriff's budget for paying the OST Tribal Court to provide background checks for pistol permit applications.

Mesteth updated the Board regarding the work he and State's Attorney Russell are doing to try to get an MOU with the Tribe for services. He then noted that he had discussed potential "holding cells" to be utilized through the OST Public Safety with the Tribe and will be pursuing this request.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve Mesteth's monthly report.

Hopkins asked Mesteth if he had gotten any word regarding his State Certification. Mesteth informed the Board that there is nothing available until June, therefore, he may not be able to get his certification within his 1-year deadline. He mentioned that there have been 3 individuals that are already certified and have expressed interest in taking over if he needs to step down.

Twila Hopkins, Pa Iyuksa Sa (Women's Society Group) entered the meeting via telephone at 1:52 p.m.

Takes the Shield (Dubray) re-entered the meeting via telephone at 1:53 p.m.

Jerlene Arredondo, Veteran Service Officer, met with the Board to provide updates and present her monthly report.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to accept the VSO report and place it on file.

TJ Plume of Alpha One Fire Department met with the Board via telephone. He presented an FPA (Fire Protection Agreement) for central Oglala Lakota County. Discussion was held regarding a potential contract to provide fire suppression coverage for central Oglala Lakota County. Yellow Bull told him that they can decide to respond wherever they want to. No one has a specific area. He also wants TJ to return to a meeting when he has been notified of State Certification.

Twila Hopkins, Pa Iyuksa Sa, met with the Board to present a proposal requesting County held Opioid Settlement Funds for their organization. They plan to bring Tribal Ceremony to the youth with counseling to try to mitigate drug use.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve providing Pa Iyuska Sa $20,000.00 of County held Opioid Settlement funds, contingent on verification of the guidelines.

Audrey Thompson, OST Solid Waste Management, met with the Board. The Tribe would like to move the Solid Waste site to Tribal land. The Town of Batesland currently owns the site, but it is within the Oglala Sioux Tribe Reservation. Oglala Lakota County School District 65-1 utilizes it as does the Town of Batesland. There is no regulation. Tires, cattle and many other items that are prohibited have been dumped there. Yellow Bull provided SDCL 34A-6-21 that indicates that the County can assume responsibility if wanted.

Motion made by Bear Runner, seconded by Yellow Bull, to hold a special meeting regarding the solid waste site. The Auditor's Office will coordinate the time and date that works for everyone.

Roger Risty, Risty Benefits, met with the Board to present quotes from insurance companies regarding health, dental and/or vision coverage. The Board will look at the options presented and weigh financial feasibility and bring it back to a later meeting date.

Sue Ganje, Auditor, presented a brief review of the Opioid Settlement Funds allocations.

Lily Heidebrink, Director of Equalization, met with the Board.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve travel for Morgan Erickson, Certified Assessor, to attend the SDAAO Conference, June 10-13, 2025 in Mitchell, to include registration fee, lodging and per diem; to approve travel for Morgan Erickson to attend the Vanguard User Group Meeting in Oacoma, August 18-20, 2025 to include registration fee, lodging and per diem; and to approve travel for Morgan Erickson to attend the SDAAO School in Sioux Falls, September 14-19, 2025 to include registration fee, lodging and per diem.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve paying the bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND		
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	COMM MTG MILEAGE	$67.00
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SERVICE	$202.73
AUDRA HILL CONSULTING	QMHP	$229.56
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	VOID/DIDN'T ATTEND MTG	-$221.10
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	MTG MILEAGE MILE & MTG	$407.10
BEAR RUNNER, RAMON	MTG MILEAGE	$87.10
BEAM INSURANCE ADMIN. LLC	VISION PLAN	$2.52
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	SUPPLY	$3.00
CENTURY BUSINESS	COPIER LEASE/USAGE	$290.47
COLBATH & SPERLICH LAW	PREV AMOUNT DUE	$37.00
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	VOID/DIDN'T ATTEND MTG	-$136.68
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	REG MEETING MILEAGE	$67.00
FALL RIVER CO. SHERIFF	INMATE HOUSING	$105.00
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MTG MILEAGE/WKSP MILE	$417.78
LAKOTA TIMES	PUBLICATION	$732.52
THE LODGE AT DEADWOOD	HWY CONFERENCE	$630.00
LYNN'S DAKOTA MART	MEETING SNACKS/WATER	$42.70
MASTERCARD	CREDIT CARD CHARGES	$507.95
MILES, SASHA	BLOOD DRAW	$75.00
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	EMPLOYEE LIFE INS	$52.00
SD ASSN OF COUNTY COMM.	2025 SDACC SPRING WKSP	$125.00
SD DEPT OF HEALTH	BLOOD TOXICOLOGY	$85.00
SOFTWARE SERVICES	SOFTWARE SUPPORT/PROG	$900.00
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	ONLINE SOFTWARE SUB	$135.18
AKICITA LAKOTA VETERANS	VSO MONTHLY RENT	$100.00
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	REG MTG MI / WKSP MILE	$407.10
COMER, ALLYSSA	MTG MILEAGE/WKSP MILE	$428.20

COMMISSION	WAGES & BENEFITS	$3,812.97
VET'S	WAGES & BENEFITS	$3,882.77
SHERIFF	WAGES & BENEFITS	$10,339.56
CORONER	WAGES & BENEFITS	$1,548.80
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	**$25,363.23**
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE		
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SERVICE	$95.22
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	SUPPLY	$749.98
BUSCHO ENTERPRISES, LLC	8000-GAL TANKER TRAILER	$8,000.00
CULLIGAN	UTILITY	$6.95
DMC WEAR PARTS LLC	PARTS	$10,586.00
DWARE, INC.	COMPUTER SOFT LEASE/	$4,700.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIO	TELEPHONE & INTERNET	$222.42
LACREEK ELECTRIC ASSOC	UTILITY/ELECTRIC	$520.70
THE LODGE AT DEADWOOD	HWY CONFERENCE	$210.00
MASTERCARD	CREDIT CARD CHARGES	$129.99
MCI COMM SERVICE	LONG DISTANCE PHONE	$55.20
MENARDS	SUPPLIES	$93.78
MODERN FARM EQUIPMENT CO.	2024 LEASE ON TRACTOR	$7,227.56
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	EMPLOYEE LIFE INS	$144.50
CRBR ADMIN	WAGES & BENEFITS	$22,493.12
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	**$55,235.42**
	TOTAL FOR BILLS PAID BETWEEN 03/14 AND 04/08/2025	**$80,598.65**

Public comment was heard from Art Hopkins, Commissioner regarding the letter that the Board sent to Custer County regarding Squaw Creek Road to ask if there has been any resolution. The Auditor's Office will check into it and report back at the next meeting.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to adjourn the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

The Board reconvened as the Oglala Lakota County Consolidated Board of Equalization and the meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the minutes of the Town of Batesland.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the Tax-Exempt properties list.

There were no new Owner-Occupied adjustments.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the stipulations list.

Bert Corwin met with the Board via telephone to ask for adjustments on his taxes due to drought conditions and prices. The Director of Equalization is unable to make any adjustments due to the State's formula.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to deny his appeal. He can appeal at the State level at an OHE hearing.

There were no elderly/disabled tax freeze applications to approve.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to adjourn the meeting at 4:17 p.m.

/s/Allyssa Comer
Allyssa Comer, Chairwoman
Board of Oglala Lakota County Commissioners

ATTEST:
/s/Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje
Oglala Lakota County Auditor

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of this County on this 31st day of March 2025.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS:	$	398,934.02
Total Amount of Cash:	$	493.70
Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days:	$	5,641.11
FIRST INTERSTATE SAVINGS		
First Interstate, HS:	$	2,194,505.80
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:		
Schwab 2 year	$	2,125,037.28
Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts that have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days:		
Election Petty Cash:	$	15.00
RETURNED CHECKS:		
Deaton, Tyler	$	110.10
TOTAL	**$**	**4,724,737.01**

Dated This 31st Day of March 2025.

Sue Ganje, County
Auditor of Oglala
Lakota County

Teresa Pullen, County Treasurer
of Oglala Lakota County

County Monies	$	4,590,333.27
Held for other Entities	$	45,838.78
Held in Trust	$	88,564.96
TOTAL	**$**	**4,724,737.01**

The Above Balance Reflects County Monies, Monies Held in Trust, and
Monies Collected for and to be remitted to Other ENTITIES: SCHOOLS, TOWNS, AND STATE.

Oglala Lakota County Highway Department

Monthly Report: April 01 to May 01,2025

Blade Roads:

04-03-25: **Rd 16** Completed by Sam and Kelly

04-07-25: **Rd 17,6,7** Completed by Sam and Kelly

04-08-25: **Rd 13** Completed by Doreen

04-09-25: **Rd 15L** Completed by Doreen

04-10-25: **Rd 15L,26,15** Completed by Kelly, Doreen

04-15-25: **Rd 4** Completed by Sam

04-17-25: **Rd 16, Bates01** Completed by Kelly

04-24-25: **Rd 16A, 2** Completed by Sam

04-29-25**: Rd 2,7,16** Completed by Sam and Kelly

04-30-25: **Rd 16,7** Completed by Sam and Kelly

Equipment Repair:

04-01-25: Disassembled skid plates for VP03 Completed by Sam and Kelly

04-02-25: Installed new skid plates for VP03 Completed by Sam, Kelly, Doreen, Lynx

04-03-25: Rust removal on V-plow face for VP03 completed by Doreen

04-10-25: Fixed Packer Pins for PK01,02 and 04 Completed by Lynx

04-22-25: Replaced tray hose on LD04 wheel bearing on PK02 Completed by Lynx, Kelly

04-23-25: Worked on door for BL05 Completed by Kelly

04-24-25: Replaced Door Glass for BL05 Completed by Lynx, Kelly

05-01-25: Replaced Cutting Edges for BL07 Completed by Sam, Kelly, Doreen

Reshaping Roads

04-08-25**: Rd 24** Winter Completed by Sam, Kelly

04-09-25: **Rd 24** Winter Completed by Sam, Kelly

04-10-25**: Rd 24** Winters Completed by Sam, Kelly

04-14-25: **Rd 16** Completed by Lynx

04-15-25**: Rd 24** Completed by Kelly

04-16-25: **Rd 17** Completed by Sam

04-17-25: **Rd 17, 24** Completed by Kelly, Sam

04-22-25: **Rd 17** Completed by Sam

04-23-25: **Rd 17,24** Completed by Sam, Kelly

Snow Removal Old info

~~2-18-25: **13, 16A, 2, 11, 16, 4**. Completed by Sam, Kelly and Doreen~~

~~2-20-25: **24C, 24, 16, 15L, Bates1**. Completed by Kelly, and Doreen~~

~~3-07-25: **8,16,13,2,15, 17, Bates1, 15L,16A, 4,7,6,11** completed by Lynx, Sam and Kelly~~

Oglala Lakota County Sheriff's Office

906 N. River Street
Hot Springs South Dakota 57747
Phone: 605-891-5819

April 2025 Monthly Report:

Calls for Service:

- Orson Cuny
- Curtis Schwarting

Non-Enforcement Services.

- Daily patrols to victim of PO Violation.
- Daily patrols to Burglary Victim's residence.
- Served 2 court papers

Other items

- Deputy Black Bull signed up for State training

Fuel Log.

	Starting Mileage:	Ending Mileage:	Total Mileage:
CO 12594	25,443	27560	2117
CO 12572	8,895	9249	354

Gallons used from County Tank. 119 Gallons used
Fuel purchased with Couty Credit Card. 19.09/$63.00

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY VSO

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT____April 2025_____

OFFICE VISITS APPOINTMENTS__11__WALK-INS__31_PHONE_7__TOTAL_49__

DEATHS TRIBAL MEMBERS__1__NON-TRIBAL MEMBERS____

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

NEW CLAIMS __2___ (PERSON ___2__ PHONE _____)

EXISTING CLAIMS __18___ (PERSON 18_____ PHONE _____)

NEW MEDICAL ENROLLMENT _1____

DD214 REQUESTS ___3__ (OFFICE__3____ OTHER_____)

HOME LOAN ___1____ VA STATE HOME_1_____OTHER___2___

SD STATE BENEFITS

VETERANS/ACTIVE DUTY BONUS_____

BURIAL BENEFITS___1___EDUCATION___1___ HEADSTONE/SET UP__3____

RECORDS/OTHER_1_____STATE PARKS_____

HUNTING/FISHING LICENSES_____LICENSE PLATES_____

DRIVERS LICENSE_____

TRIBAL

TRIBAL VETERANS FLAG_____ MEETINGS_____OTHER_____

PUBLIC OUTREACH

SOCIAL MEDIA_____ RADIO STATION_____ OTHER_____

OTHER_____

VSO NAME ___Jerlene Arredondo_____

RISTY
BENEFITS, INC.

Oglala Lakota County, South Dakota
Employee Benefits Summary and Proposed Benefits
Effective June 1, 2025

Thank you for allowing Risty Benefits to review and provide quotes for your employee benefits. Risty Benefits is an independent insurance brokerage located in Sioux Falls that specializes exclusively in benefits insurance. We currently work with 46 of the 66 Counties in South Dakota and are Associate Members of the SDACO and SDACC. We support both organizations through our dues, and sponsorships at annual events

As an independent broker, we work with all the licensed medical and ancillary benefits carriers in South Dakota. Here are our recommendations for the employees of Oglala Lakota County

Medical: Oglala Lakota County does not currently offer a medical plan.

Because of the cost savings over Blue Cross, we would recommend AVERA Health. The Plan is $21,000 per year less expensive than Blue Cross for similar benefits. Avera uses United Health (the largest Medical provider in the US) for it WRAP network out of State. There are over 250 providers within 50 miles of Pine Ridge.

Motion: it is moved to add Avera health to the employee benefit package as of June 1·2025, the County to pay 0% to 25% of the single cost ($869.86) or up to $220.50 per participating employee per month.

Dental: Your current Dental plan is with Delta Denta - we recommend moving to Lincoln Financial

Motion: it is moved to change the Dental provider for the County to Lincoln Financial as of June 1, 2025 for four reasons 1. Maximum benefit is $50 higher than Delta, Preventive benefits are paid at 100% vs Delta's 80%, 3. Employees can still use their current dentists to receive services. 4. Employees will SAVE $9 per month in costs.

Vision: Your current vision plan is with BEAM / VSP We recommend you Stay with BEAM because of the network - no motion needed.

Life: Your current Life coverage is with Reliance Standard. We recommend you move to Lincoln Financial as of June 1, 2025

Motion: move to change Life insurance provider to Lincoln Financial as of June 1, 2025. Lincoln Financial's rates are $90 per month less than the current provider and benefits increase from $25,000 to $50,000 per employee.

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RISTY
BENEFITS, INC.

Voluntary Life: Oglala Lakota county currently does not offer voluntary life. Adding this coverage will give employee the opportunity to add additional coverage on themselves and family at their expense through Lincoln Financial

Motion: Move to add the Lincoln Financial Voluntary life insurance with $80,000 of additional coverage Guaranteed – no health questions for a June 1, 2025 start date.

Colonial Life: These are voluntary benefits for Cancer, Hospital Indemnity, Critical Illness and Accident coverage. By using Risty Benefits there are guaranteed benefit issue benefits. Rates are typically 50% less that other carries and stronger benefits

Motion: Add Colonial life products with Risty Benefits as a voluntary worksite benefit for June 1, 2025

NOTE: County Commissioners are eligible to participate in the Vision, Dental, Voluntary life and Colonial products

Sincerely,

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Founder, Account Manager

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Oglala Lakota County

Plans beginning in 2025

Plan: Wellmark of SD Network: Blue Cross Blue Shield		Small Group Traditional Plans Avera $3500		Wellmark of SD EnhancedBlue 3000 PPO	
		In Network	Out of Network	In Network	Out of Network
Deductible:	Single	$3,500	$10,000	$3,000	$6,000
	Family	$7,000	$20,000	$6,000	$12,000
Coinsurance:		50%	50%	30%	50%
OPM:	Single	**$9,200**	$20,000	**$5,600**	$11,200
	Family	$18,400	$40,000	$11,200	$22,400
Prescription:		Tier 1: $0 Tier 2: $15 Tier 3: $50 Tier 4: $150 Tier 5: $12 Tier 6: 30% Coinsurance	Not Covered	Tier 1: $15 Tier 2: $40 Tier 3: $100 Generic Specialty: $160 Pref. Specialty: $200 Non-Pref. Specialty: $400	Not Covered
Preventive:		FREE	Not Covered	FREE	PCP- $90; Otherwise Deductible & Coinsurance
Office Visits:	Virtual Visit (*Doctor on Demand)	$0 Copay	n/a	$0	n/a
	Primary Care Physician	**No charge for first 3 visits, then $40 copay***	Deductible and Coinsurance	**$30 Copay**	$90 Copay
	Specialist	**$100 Copay**	Deductible and Coinsurance	**$60 Copay**	$180 Copay
	Urgent Care	No charge for first 3 visits, then $40 copay*	Deductible and Coinsurance	$30 Copay	$90 Copay
Emergency Room Services:		**$700**		**$400**	
X-Ray, Imaging & Lab Services: (If done in provider's office or clinic)		Included in office visit copay	Deductible and Coinsurance	Included in office visit copay	Included in office visit copay
(If done in a hospital)		Deductible and Coinsurance	Deductible and Coinsurance	Deductible & Coinsurance	Deductible & Coinsurance
Outpatient Surgery:		Deductible and Coinsurance	Deductible and Coinsurance	Deductible & Coinsurance	Deductible & Coinsurance
Maternity:		Deductible and Coinsurance	Deductible and Coinsurance	Deductible & Coinsurance	Deductible & Coinsurance
Chiropractic:		No charge for first 3 visits, then $40 copay*	Not Covered	$30 Copay	$90 Copay
Medicare Part D Credible Coverage:		Yes		Yes	
Rates:	Based on 8 employees	Age Rated		Age Rated	
Monthly Premium:		**$6,958.88**		**$8,783.39**	
Annual Premium:		**$83,506.56**		**$105,400.68**	

Note: This chart does not guarantee rates or coverage and should be used only to compare highlights. Consult actual plan documents before final deterr
The family OPM can be met through any combination of family members. No one member will be required to meet more than the single OPM amount to
PCP applies to family practitioners, internal medicine practitioners, OB/GYN, pediatricans, physicans' assistants, advanced registered nurse practitioners, chiropractors, physical therapsits, & occupational therapists.

Rx Network for these plans is different than the Rx network for the HDHPs.

Oglala Lakota County

option 3

Dental Plans		Delta Dental / current	Lincoln Financial
Network:		Plan 9050 Delta network	Open network (passive PPO
Deductible:	Single	$50	$50
(Per Calendar Year)	Family Max.	$150	$150
	Waived For:	Preventative	Preventative
Annual Maximum:		$1,200	$1,250
Coinsurance:	Preventative (Type 1)	80%	100%
		Exams & Cleanings (1x/6 mos), bitewing x-rays (1x/6 mos under 14, 1x/12 mos 14 and over), full mouth x-rays (1x/5 yrs) fluoride treatment (to age 19), sealants (to age 15)	Exams & Cleanings (1x/6 mos), bitewing x-rays (1x/calendar year), Occlusal (2x/calendar year), Periapical (4x/calendar year) full mouth x-rays (1x/60 mos.) fluoride treatment (to age 13), sealants (to age 13)
	Basic (Type 2)	80%	80%
		Fillings, Simple extractions, Emergency treatment for pain,	Periodontal maintenance, space maintainers, fillings, stainless steel crowns
	Major (Type 3)	50%	50%
		Initial Inlays, Onlays and Crowns, dentures, bridges, endodontic, Periodontic	Oral surgery, anesthesia, crowns, inlays, onlays, cast post & core, core buildup, bridges, dentures, repairs,periodontics, endodontics
	Orthodontics		N/A
Claim Payment Basis:			90 th U&C
Waiting Period:			None except for late entrants
Maximum Rollover:	Threshold		
	Rollover Amount	N/A	N/A
	Account Limit		
Rates:	Single	$48.70	$39.93
	Employee +Spouse		$80.97
	Employee +Children		$103.86
	Family	$122.20	$157.39
Enrollees Needed to Implement		3	6
		annual renewal	**24 month rate guarantee**

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Vision Plans		Beam / current	Lincoln Financial
Network:		VSP choice Plan #2	Spectra / Lincoln Vision
Deductible:	Annual Exam	$10	$10
	Materials (Eyeglass Lenses or Frames)	$10	$10
Lenses Benefit:	Single	100%	100%
	Lined Bifocal	100%	100%
	Lined Trifocal	100%	100%
	Lenticular	100%	100%
Contact Lenses*:	Medically Necessary	100%	100%
	Elective	Up to $60 copay for fitting and evaluation, then $150 allowance	Up to $60 copay for fitting and evaluation, then $130 allowance
Frames:		$150 + 20% off amount over allowance	$130 + 20% off amount over allowance
Sevice Frequencies:		12 / 12 / 12	12 / 12 / 12
Rates:	Single	$8.58	$8.57
	Employee +Spouse	$17.16	$16.25
	Employee +Children	$17.60	$19.06
	Family	$28.30	$26.80
Enrollees Needed to Implement		3	3

24 month rate guarantee

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All amounts assume in-network services were provided.
* In lieu of eyeglass lenses and/or frames.

Oglala Lakota County

Based on 8 employees

Basic Life & AD&D		Reliance Standard		Lincoln Financial	
Benefit Amount:	Basic Life	$25,000		$50,000	
	Basic AD&D	$25,000		$50,000	
Benefit Reduction due to Age:	Age 70	50% of Original Amount		65% of Original Amount	
	Age 75	Terminates		50% of Original Amount	
	Age 75				
	Age 80			n/a	
Special Benefits:		Accelerated Benefit, Waiver of Premium, Portable		Accelerated Benefit, Waiver of Premium, Seat Belt Benefit	
Rates:		Rate per $1,000	Rate per $25,000	Rate per $1,000	UNU
	Life w/ AD&D	Age banded	$24.56	$0.202	$10.10
	AD&D				
Monthly Premium:	**RSL 8**	**$196.50**		**$80.09**	
Annual Premium:		**$2,358.00**		**$969.60**	

AVE $24.56 per employee

24 month guarantee

Oglala Lakota County

Voluntary Life		Lincoln Financial
Employee	Increments	$10,000
	Benefit Max	3 X Salary
	Reductions	35% @ 65 60% @ 70
	Guarantee Issue	$80,000
Spouse	Increments	$5,000
	Benefit Max	$100,000
	Guarantee Issue	$20,000
	Reduction &/or Termination	Same as Employee
Child	Increments	$1,000
	Benefit Max	$10,000
	Children 14 Days to 6 Mos.	$500
	Guarantee Issue	$10,000
Participation %		25% & at least 10 Employees
Rate Guarantee:		2 Years
Rates:		EE / SP per $1,000
	0-24	$0.102
	25-29	$0.102
	30-34	$0.117
	35-39	$0.148
	40-44	$0.178
	45-49	$0.255
	50-54	$0.379
	55-59	$0.685
	60-64	$1.039
	65-69	$1.975
	70-74	$3.189
	75 +	$3.189
	Child Rate	$.25 per $1,000
	Voluntary AD&D	Employee/Spouse Child $.04 per $1,000

24 month rate guarantee

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	GL#	22 ACTUAL	23 ACTUAL	24 ACTUAL	3-YEAR AVERAGE	25 BUDGET	25 YTD ACTUAL	%	26 REQUESTED	26 APPROVED
4291.444 W.R. MENTAL HEALTH	10100X4291444	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	100	8,500.00	
ACCOUNT TYPE TOTALS	42	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	100	8,500.00	
FUND TOTALS	10100	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	100	8,500.00	
DEPT TOTALS	444	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	100	8,500.00	

* = BUDGET INCLUDES TRANSFERS AND/OR SUPPLEMENTS

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	GL#	22 ACTUAL	23 ACTUAL	24 ACTUAL	3-YEAR AVERAGE	25 BUDGET	25 YTD ACTUAL	*	26 REQUESTED	26 APPROVED
4291.612 SOIL CONSERVATION/ ANN	10100X4291612	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	100	3,000.00	
ACCOUNT TYPE TOTALS	42	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	100	3,000.00	
FUND TOTALS	10100	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	100	3,000.00	
DEPT TOTALS	612	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	100	3,000.00	

* = BUDGET INCLUDES TRANSFERS AND/OR SUPPLEMENTS

Badlands Conservation District
Patty Beck, Dist. Clerk

Oglala Lakota County GIS data sale policy

Data Requests that can be accepted without User Agreement or fee:

1. Requests for District Boundaries: fire, school, ambulance, etc.
2. Project Specific Data – data that was created for the purpose of being in a project hosted by another entity.

Data Requests that can be accepted with User Agreement and without fee:

Data layers which already exist, not those which must be custom built.

1. Government Agencies from within the State of South Dakota who are requesting the data for internal use.
2. Hired or official agents of Local Governments (within Oglala Lakota County) who are requesting data for completion of a specific project which they have been hired to complete.
3. Educational Entities (schools and universities) from within the State of South Dakota requesting data for education or research purposes.

Data Requests that can be accepted with User Agreement, fee applies:

1. Requests from businesses registered with a Secretary of State or otherwise professionally licensed.
2. Requests from Government agencies, government agents, or educational entities which require customization.

Fees:

Parcel Layer (with parcel number attribute only): $0.10 per parcel, $50.00 minimum (entire county $150)

Custom data layers: $50.00 per hour, plus layer cost (above), plus database cost (see database resolution)

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY GIS USER AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the User has requested that Oglala Lakota County supply the User with digital data;

WHEREAS, Oglala Lakota County is agreeable to copying the digital data at an agreed cost to the User, provided that the User complies with the terms of this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the User and Oglala Lakota County agree as follows:

1. The User's name, address and telephone number are as follows: _____
   _____
   _____
   _____
2. Oglala Lakota County agrees to copy and deliver to the User digital data as requested.
3. The digital data to be provided is specifically described as follows: ____
   _____
   _____
   _____
4. User shall pay to Oglala Lakota County the sum of $_____ prior to any digital data being provided to User.
5. Oglala Lakota County hereby disclaims any and all liability or responsibility for damage, injury, loss, claim or lawsuit arising from any error, inaccuracy or other problem with either the digital data provided to the User in any medium or format. The User herby releases Oglala Lakota County, its officers, agents and all employees and volunteers from all liability, damages, claims, injuries or suits arising from such error, inaccuracy or problem. Furthermore, the User agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Oglala Lakota County and its officers, agents and all employees and volunteers, from any and all claims, liability, damages, injuries and suits arising from use of the digital data, provided to the User in any medium or format, by the User, its employees or assignees, or by any third parties.

6. Oglala Lakota County reserves the right to deny access to certain coverages.
7. The digital data provided hereunder, in any medium or format, is provided "as is" and Oglala Lakota County expressly disclaims all warranties, UCC and otherwise, express or implied, including warranties as to the accuracy of the digital data and the merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, and further expressly disclaims responsibility for all incidental, consequential or special damages arising out of or in connection with the use or performance of the digital data as provided in any medium or format.
8. User specifically acknowledges this disclaimer of warranty and expressly waives all warranties, express or implied, and waives any right of claim for damages incidental, consequential or special, arising out of or in connection with the use or performance of the digital data as provided in any medium or format.
9. The digital data provided by Oglala Lakota County shall remain the property of Oglala Lakota County, which shall retain all rights commensurate with ownership, including the right to sell, release, license, and use or provide the digital data to others as it deems appropriate in its sole discretion.
10. The digital data provided by Oglala Lakota County are deemed and remain hereafter proprietary information of Oglala Lakota County, and shall not be provided, sold, disseminated or assigned to any other party, without the prior written consent of Oglala Lakota County.
11. Time is the essence of this Agreement.
12. This Agreement and all of its terms and conditions shall be binding upon all successors in interest of the parties hereto.
13. All signed copies of this Agreement shall be construed the same as the original hereof.
14. Written notices required to be given hereunder, or any written notices required to be given under South Dakota law, shall be made by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the User's address listed above and to the Oglala Lakota County Auditor at 906 N. River St., Hot Springs, South Dakota, 57747.
15. In the event that either party determines that this Agreement has been or will be breached, then and in that event , said party shall send written

notice to the offending party, stating the grounds, facts and circumstances that it believes led to the breach of this Agreement.

The party receiving such notice of breach shall have thirty (30) days form the date that notice was delivered to them, as indicated on the return receipt, to correct said breach. If said breach is not corrected, then the non-offending party may terminate this Agreement and may seek the appropriate relief as provided by South Dakota Codified Law.

16. The parties agree that even if a party does not enforce the other parties' breach of a provision of this Agreement, the failure to do so shall not be deemed a waiver of that parties' right to enforce any subsequent breach or default of the same or similar nature. Any waiver by a party of a right provided for in this Agreement must be in writing and signed by the parties to be effective.
17. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the substantive laws of the State of South Dakota.
18. Any dispute arising between the parties shall be brought before the Seventh Judicial Circuit Court, State of South Dakota, and the parties hereto consent to the jurisdiction of said court.
19. This Agreement may be modified only if said modification is in writing and signed by all the parties.
20. User agrees and hereby represents that in this Agreement, it was and is acting solely on its own, and acting through its own knowledge, and it is not in any manner relying upon any representation either from the Oglala Lakota County, its officials or any employee. This Agreement incorporates all the demands that User has made in regard to determining and fully settling all the terms and conditions herein. User hereby states and represents and warrants that it executes this Agreement of its own free will and based upon its own independent judgement.
21. The foregoing Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties and there is no other oral or collateral Agreement between the parties.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 20 __.

_____
Chairperson
Oglala Lakota County Commissioners

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
)
COUNTY OF OGLALA LAKOTA)

On this ____ day of _____, 20__, before me personally appeared _____, known to me to the Chairperson of the Board of Oglala Lakota County Commissioners and he/she that executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that said Board approved the same.

_____
Notary Public – South Dakota

My commission expires:
(SEAL)

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DATED this _____ day of _____, 20 __.

_____
User,
Title of Person Signing_____

STATE OF _____)
)
COUNTY OF _____)

On this ____ day of _____, 20__, before me personally appeared _____, known to me to the _____ (title of person signing) for _____(name of company) and that he/she executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that such company approved the same.

_____
Notary Public – _____

My commission expires:
(SEAL)

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Payroll Schedule Instructions:

Payroll will operate on a biweekly basis, beginning on a **Sunday** and ending on the **Saturday, 14 days later**.

- **Timesheets** must be submitted and approved by the **Monday following the end of the pay period (the Saturday it concludes)**.
- **Payday** will be on the **Friday following the Monday approval deadline**.

Please ensure all timesheets are accurate and submitted on time to avoid any delays in payroll processing.

Example Payroll Period

- **Payroll Period:** Sunday, May 4, 2025 – Saturday, May 17, 2025
- **Timesheet Approval Deadline:** Monday, May 19, 2025
- **Payday:** Friday, May 23, 2025

Please ensure your timesheet for the period of May 4-17 is submitted and approved by the Supervisor by the end of the day on May 19 to ensure timely payment on May 23.

Minutes of the Custer County Commission Meeting, Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

Members present:
Commissioners Jim Lintz, Mark Hartman, Mike Linde, Michael Busskohl, Craig Hindle and Commission Legal Counsel Aaron Davis and Dawn McLaughlin, Finance Officer.

A. Commission Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Adopting of the agenda

1. Motion to approve Agenda made by Linde; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

C. Consent Agenda

1. Approve Minutes of February 19, 2025 Commission meeting.
2. Vouchers approved as follows:

PAYROLL: 2-25-25 Payroll: Commissioners $5,677.51; Auditor $13,014.61; Treasurer $13,310.73; Info Systems & Tech $3,426.87; States Attorney $14,855.69; Courthouse Building $9,697.78; Director of Equalization $8,037.72; Register of Deeds $5,589.41; Veterans Service $2,164.35; Human Resources $1,583.91; Sheriff $57,333.16; Coroner $2,882.13; Nurse $844.76; Library $11,474.32; Conservation $778.56; Weed & Pest Control $3,34078; Planning $8,098.82; County Road & Bridge $44,378.80; Emergency Management $2,880.25; 24/7 Sobriety $1,007.94; Emergency Line $20,014.72.
3-10-25 Payroll: Commissioners $5,677.58; Auditor $11,697.80; Treasurer $12,090.88; Info Systems & Tech $3,426.87; State's Attorney $13,965.41; Courthouse Building $8,435.04; Director of Equalization $7,879.52; Register of Deeds $5,212.47; Veterans Services $1,467.99; Human Resources $1,644.69; Sheriff $50,218.49; Coroner $879.63; Nurse $405.07; Library $10,298.69; Conservation $694.69; Weed & Pest Control $2,893.09; Planning $7,329.64; County Road & Bridge $35,424.67; Emergency Management $2,880.26; 24/7 Sobriety $613.72; Emergency Line $16,417.68

COMMISSIONERS: Laughing Water Restaurant; Employee Christmas Party $2,184.75; Pitney Bowes Postage $1,517.25; Southern Hills Publishing $505.79; State of SD Legislative Audit $7,237; Valhalla Legal $2,540-Commission Legal Counsel

COURT: William Moss, Pys.D, LLC $2,275.00

AUDITOR: Sanders Ranch $1,018 property tax refund.

TREASURER: Intellectual Technology, Inc. $131.33; SD State Treasurer $342.45

COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEY: Southern Hills Law $2,061.76;

MAINTENANCE: Black Hills Chemical -$118.05; BHEC $1,017.80; BH Energy $2,209.27; City of Custer $209.90; Ace Hdwe $172.39

4-H/EXTENSION: SDSU Extension $10,861.92

INFO TECHNOLOGY: Golden West Technologies $17,114.72; Quill $391.01

SHERIFF: Ace Hdwe $153.84; Pheasantland Industries $78.59; Southern Hills Publishing $36.05; Southern Hills Tactical $75

PRISONER CARE: Correct RX $220.62; Meade County Auditor $285; Pennington County Jail $29,525;

MENTAL HEALTH: West River Mental Health $1,400;

AIRPORT: Brenden Hendrickson $4,558.33; French Creek Supply $92.99; McDaniel $1,289.77; Rocky Mountain Propane $766.50;

SEARCH & RESCUE: Rushmore Communications $4,055.12

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE: A&B Welding $288.47; BH Energy $91.64; Butler Machinery $624.49; CBH Cooperative $6,033.95; Ace Hdwe $153.84; Fastenal $43.60; French Creek Supply $1,516.26; Great Western Tire, Inc. $3,460.40; Grimms Pump Service, Inc. $1,536.87; Interstate Battery $837.70; Nelson's Oil & Gas $1,590.85; North Central International $936.73; Parts One NAPA $27.99; Pressure Services, Inc. $10,890; SD DOT Division of Finance $1,050.99; Servall $89.69;

24/7 SOBRIETY: SD Attorney General $3,223.00 quarterly distribution

COUNTY BUILDINGS: Ad-Tech Rapid Fire Protection $902.70; Hagen Glass $666.29;

EMERGENCY LINE: Range $26.29;

Motion to approve Consent Agenda made by Busskohl; seconded by Hartman; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

D. Conflict of Interest Declarations – None.

E. Highway

1. Highway Superintendent, Jesse Doyle, informed the Commission that DOT has awarded Custer County $908K toward the Buffalo Gap bridge replacement. The project engineer has estimated the cost to be $1.134 million. Doyle stated there will be more DOT paperwork to come and this is good news for Custer County.

2. Doyle requested Commission authorization to advertise for gravel bids. This would be for supply and is in the budget. Doyle would advertise 3-19 and 3-26, 2025 for 4-2-25 bid opening. Motion to table until the end of today's meeting made by Busskohl; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

F. Planning

1. Planning Director, Terri Kester, made request for approval of Final Plat: LOTS 4 THRU 9 11, 12, and R RANCH TRACT 6B, ALL OF WESTWIND PINES SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THEN ½ S ½ OF SECTION 33, T6S, RSE, BHM, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA; Parcel 015749 Westwind Corporation. This is a proposed 14-parcel subdivision with various access points and the Planning Commission recommended approval at its 1-7-25 meeting. This approval was contingent on providing a road bond (provided) or having roads completed. Motion to approve made by Linde; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

2. A short discussion regarding review of Ordinance 2 was held; it was noted the County Commission is reviewing and working toward completing the revisions.

G. Search & Rescue

1. Sam Smolnisky, S&R, made request for Commission approval of purchase of 2023 Ford Transit van to be used for mobile command center at a cost of $48,400. Smolnisky stated the need for the unit, noting the communication challenges in remote locations. Smolnisky was able to locate a van in Washington state that meets desired specs for well under the state bid pricing of $62K--$65K. The van would be equipped with radios, satellite internet, phone boosters, etc. and will have the ability to effectively communicate with dispatchers. This will allow for mapping & spatial awareness in wilderness areas. The van will also be useful to REMS teams. Search & Rescue is currently using an equipment trailer for emergency responses but is a more cumbersome alternative to using a mobile command center. The purchase price will be taken from the S&R budget until the end of the year, when it will be supplemented with assigned funds that are remaining (using partially assigned funds at this time). Motion to approve purchase of 2023 Ford Transit van made by Hindle; seconded by Hartman; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

H. Emergency Management

1. EMS Director, Steve Esser, made request for Chairman's signature on Community Wildfire Protection Plan contract with Bintel Company. He stated Tracy Kelley has reviewed the contract. The current CWPP was put into place in 2006 and has not been

updated since that time. This is an avenue for receiving federal funds for fuel reductions, etc. and the plan needs to be updated. Funding for the plan is available in the EMS budget and Title III monies and BLM grant ($25K). Motion to approve Chairman's signature made by Busskohl; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

I. Equalization

1. Scott Storms, DOE Director, presented abatement request for Commission approval re: Elizabeth Studt in the amount of $1,105.32, Parcel #014069 assessment freeze. Storms stated this was approved by the Treasurer's office last year, but DOE sent a denial in error. Motion to approve made by Hartman; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

J. Library

1. Library Director, Sarah Myers, presented her 2024 Annual Report, that will be sent to the State of SD Library, as well. Myers said there were 33,638 library visits in 2024, which is a 4% increase over 2023. There are currently 5,231 library cards in Custer County; 25 volunteers have worked 936 hours; there is a downtrend in audio books, as electronic versions are becoming more popular; Libby circulation accounts for 50%, physical books 50%. Sarah discussed the "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" program, which aims for literacy and school readiness. The report contained other stats and information, as well. Myers thanked the Commission and members of the public for their support.

K. Custer Chamber

1. Dawn Murray, Custer Chamber, presented request for Commission permission to use Custer County property July 17-20, 2025 for Gold Discovery Days. Motion to approve made by Hindle; seconded by Hartman; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
2. Murray also requested Commission permission to use Search & Rescue property Jun 13-14, 2025 for annual off-road rally. Motion to approve request made by Linde; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried. It was noted that the Chamber carries insurance for these events.

L. Raffle Requests

1. Raffle request from WEAVE was received; to be held March 25, 2025 through May 30, 2025. Proceeds to be used for victims of abuse and violence. Motion to approve made by Busskohl; seconded by Hartman; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
2. Raffle request from Friends of Fairburn VFD was received; 4-9-25 through 4-8-2026 Ace of Hearts; progressive 50/50 raffle. Proceeds to be used for fire department needs and community support. Motion to approve made by Hindle; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

M. Liquor Licenses

1. Resolution 2022-13 (Amended); a Resolution Establishing Fees to be Charged for Full-Service Restaurant On-Sale Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Within Custer County was presented. Commissioner Busskohl has been working with State's Attorney Kelley to update and amend to follow state law and keep current. Kelley updated to reflect "Custer County Restaurant License fee to be at least $1.00 for each person residing within the County, but outside the boundary of any municipality as measured by the last preceding decennial federal census", which shows a population within the County to be 5,376. The Resolution also addresses the initial license fee to be $5,500 or the same fee charged in the nearest municipality with a like license, whichever is greater and renewal fee to be the same charged for a like license in the nearest municipality. It was noted the corresponding Ordinance 26 requires no changes. Motion to approve Amended Resolution 2022-13 for first reading made by Busskohl; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

2. Resolution 2025-10; a Resolution Establishing Fees for Certain Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Within Custer County was presented, together with Resolution 2025-11; a Resolution Establishing the Number of On-Sale and Off-Sale Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Within Custer County. These pertain to on/off sale fees, as well as number of on-off sale licenses. Deputy Auditor, Michelle Zerfas, compiled a packet of information that compares liquor license fees for surrounding municipalities. Some of the municipalities own licenses that are then leased. Tracy Kelley stated the restaurant license fees are set for 10 years and those cannot be changed at this time. With additional research necessary, it was decided to further discuss at the March 19, 2025 meeting.

N. Human Resources

1. HR Director, Amber Maidens, requested permission to add Assistant Deputy Clerk position. This newly-created position will report to the Auditor's office, but employee will cross-train and rotate between various offices when needed. This position will be included in the Auditor's budget, (not currently budgeted for). This will be a 40-hour per week, fully-benefitted position with a starting wage of $17/hour. The position will be advertised and interviews will be conducted with several department heads in attendance. Motion to approve made by Hartman; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

2. Maidens requested Commission approval of Marc Moore to be appointed as Safety Officer. Moore has experience in this field will be a good fit for the position. The $3K annual wage will be paid from the EMS budget. Motion to approve made by Linde; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

O. Airport

1. Commission Legal Counsel, Aaron Davis, presented General Warranty Easement

Deed granting the United States of America a 66′ right of way easement across Tract Price of HES 469, containing 0.19 acres, more or less. Custer County retains all rights to the easement and is not transferring ownership. Davis recommended Commission approval and Chairman's signature. Motion to approve Chairman's signature made by Hartman; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried. Commissioner Hindle stated he has been in contact with Meagan Buehler, USFS and Custer County's land purchase from the USFS is close to completion.

P. Public Comment –

1. Christine Wells, Buffalo Gap, shared concerns regarding potential truck route that affects residential areas of Buffalo Gap and is curious how this will impact grasslands, as well. Jesse Doyle stated he will assist with signage along the route, and can control Custer County trucks; not others who use the route. This remains up to the Buffalo Gap Town Board to enforce.
2. George Dew, Ghost Canyon Road, shared concerns regarding Custer County's de-limber; noting this is not the right piece of equipment for the job. Dew stated trees have been destroyed and limbs have fallen all over properties during this unnecessary trimming, with little to no cleanup. Dew has spoken with Jesse Doyle and Commissioner Busskohl regarding the issue. Dew stated he takes care of his property and would appreciate it if the County would stay off his property. Busskohl has discussed this with the Commission and has driven the route and noted the brusher should not be used. Mr. Dew implored the Commission to not allow further destruction.
3. Lea Anne McWhorter gave legislative updates re: HB1237 (West Dam), noting this received a favorable reception before the Joint Appropriations Committee. This was tabled and urged the public to voice support in hopes that this will be brought back. Phase II of the West Dam project was awarded to Moss Rock. SB191 (Property Tax Rollback) will be brought before the House State Affairs today; the Coroner Bill was signed Monday, resulting in tax-dollar savings to counties; Bill 6010 setting a task force to manage the Black Hills received much opposition in its overreach of managing tourism, retailers, etc. and was sent to 41st day.

Q. Old Business

1. The Commission reviewed denied Abatement request and timeline for Dave & Londa Dietz; Parcels 11159; 11160; 11161. These parcels were originally appealed in 2023, and the Dietzes stated they were told by a former DOE employee that combining parcels will help lower taxes on the property. Dietz stated he was not given guidelines with firm dates for completion, and therefore missed the November 1st deadline (set by the state, not county) for tax purposes. Dietz asked the Commission to honor the former employee's statements, although there is no documentation supporting this. Dietz stated he was unaware of all the necessary deadlines and thought he had done what was necessary. Planning Director Kester provided the Commission with a timeline of when Dietz began and completed the process, and completion was after the

November 1st deadline. The Planning Commission approved the lot consolidations at its November 7, 2023 meeting; the Board of Commissioners approved it on December 6, 2023 (both dates after deadline). It was noted that this process actually moved very quickly and should have been started earlier, when first recommended. The Commission noted that since there is no documentation or notes to back up statements, no abatement can be considered. Dietz reiterated the need for timelines to be handed out and better clarification of definition of "done" when taxpayers begin this process.

R. Commission Legal Counsel

1. Aaron Davis presented Draft Resolution 2025-12 regarding proposed Wilderness Inventory. Davis has reviewed a copy of Fall River County's Resolution regarding the same opposition as a guideline; however, Davis simplified for Custer County. Davis noted this first draft is open for discussion. Commissioner Busskohl would like to add "Black Hills Region" to the draft; Linde would like it to specify no additional "Wild and Scenic Rivers" in Custer County. Davis stated the deadline has been extended and will make further revisions and present final copy to the Commission.

S. Commission

1. Mail call –letter from USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service; letter from Oglala Lakota County Commissioners; letter from Black Hills Works Foundation. Chairman Lintz noted the name change for Squaw Creek Road was presented in previous years and at that time, landowners voted in favor of leaving the name as is. Hindle stated the need to get a consensus from current landowners and possibly having Commissioner Yellow Bull, Oglala County, come speak before the Commission. Letters will be sent to current landowners explaining the request for name change.
2. Meeting Schedule – FAB will meet 3-13-25 at 6:00 PM in the Pine Room/Annex. SDACC Spring Workshop will be held 4-9 and 4-10-25 in Pierre with Lintz, Linde, Busskohl, Hindle and McLaughlin attending.
3. Meeting Reports – Linde attended YMCA, Historical Society; Busskohl attended Custer City Council and Planning; Hartman attended Planning.
4. Motion to untable earlier gravel bid discussion made by Busskohl; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried. Motion to authorize advertising for gravel bids made by Busskohl; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried. It was decided to keep the Commission meeting schedule as is and open bids at the April 2, 2025 meeting.

T. Executive Session

1. Motion to enter Executive Session as per SDCL 1-25-21(1) Personnel made by Busskohl; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried. Executive Session entered into at 9:31 AM and concluded at 10:13 AM. No action taken outside of Executive Session.

U. Adjourn

1. Motion by Busskohl and seconded by Hindle to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 AM. The next meeting will be at 8:00 AM, March 19, 2025 in the Commissioner's Room in the Custer County Courthouse.

_____

Jim Lintz, Chairman

Attest: _____

Barbara Cox, Custer County Deputy Auditor

Published once at the total approximate cost of _____.

CUSTER COUNTY

Custer County Commission Meeting
Wednesday, April 2, 2025
420 Mount Rushmore Rd.
Commission Meeting Room
Custer, SD 57730

A. Call to Order at 8:00 AM
1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Approve Agenda

C. Consent Agenda
1. Minutes of March 19, 2025 Commission Meeting
2. Vouchers

D. Conflict of Interest Declarations

E. Search & Rescue
1. Acknowledge CCSAR Medical Director, Dr. Brett Shaffer
2. Acknowledge updated CCSAR 2025 Roster

F. Planning Department
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Meetings of the Board of Commissioners are open to the public. The audience will be allowed to comment on specific agenda items during the time allotted on the agenda for those items, according to established procedures of the Commission. This is a time for members of the public to express concerns or discuss issues having relevance to the County. Anyone wishing to address the Commission during this time shall be asked to identify themselves. The number of presentations and time allotted to individuals may be limited by the Chairman and individuals shall refrain from discussing personalities. The Chairman, at his discretion, may recognize patrons at other times during the Board meeting. No action will be taken by the Commission on any issue raised without being first placed on a future agenda, by the Commission, to allow for proper notice.

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Next Meeting Date: April 23, 2025

Custer County fully subscribes to the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you desire to attend this public meeting and are in need of accommodations, please notify the Commissioners' Office at (605) 673-8173 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting so that appropriate services and auxiliary aids are available.

Minutes of the Custer County Commission Meeting, Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

Members present:
Commissioners Jim Lintz, Mark Hartman, Mike Linde, Michael Busskohl, Craig Hindle and Commission Legal Counsel Aaron Davis and Dawn McLaughlin, Finance Officer.

A. Commission Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Adopting of the agenda

1. Motion to approve agenda made by Busskohl; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

C. Consent Agenda

1. Approve Minutes of March 19, 2025 Commission meeting.
2. Approve Vouchers as follows:

PAYROLL: Commissioners $7,312.53; Auditor $13,804.46; Treasurer $13,356.45; Info Systems & Tech $3,426.88; States Attorney $14,855.70; Courthouse Building $9,380.35; Director of Equalization $10,720.91; Register of Deeds $5,589.43; Veterans Services $2,089.08; Human Resources $1,591.64; Sheriff $59,912.77; Coroner $879.62; Nurse $810.43; Library $11,538.36; Conservation $816.46; Weed & Pest $3,729.75; Planning $7,537.54; County Road & Bridge $44,941.69; Emergency Management 2,880.25; 24/7 Sobriety $436.98; Emergency Line F $23,245.09.

COMMISSIONERS: Pitney Bowes $99.75; Southern Hills Publishing $179.93.

COURT: Carol Niemann $55.36; Jeffrey Haas $86.18; Terri Kester $51.34; Linnwood Garber $52.68; Lynn Jackson $54.02; Sarah Pfefferle $246.40; Steven Pierce $86.18; Thad Fitch $76.80.

BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT: West River Mental Health $1,400.

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY: Colbath and Sperlich $1,985.87.

PRISONER CARE: Correct RX Pharmacy $277.20.

AUDITOR: SDACES $15; Southern Hills Publishing $863.05.

SD AUDITOR TRUST: Wine and Malt Bev Renewal $1,650.

TREASURER: Intellectual Technology $131.33; SDACES $15; Southern Hills Publishing $500.

STATE'S ATTORNEY: Michael Podhradsky $75.30.

MAINTENANCE: A-Z Shredding $85.80; Black Hills Chemical $82.23; Black Hills Coop $1,125.60; Black Hills Energy $1,641.82; City of Custer $269.90; Custer Ace Hardware $81.94.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: SDACES $15.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Southern Hills Publishing $25.60.

INFO TECHNOLOGY: Golden West Technologies $3,779.54.

SHERIFF: A-Z Shredding $20; Custer Ace Hardware $138.24; Division of Motor Vehicles $3.00; Justice Fire & Safety $365; Kiesler Police Supply $1,883.72; LexisNexis $201; Sonnel Technologies $12,572.06; SD Sheriff's Association $160.65; Southern Hills Publishing $37.80; Summit Fire Protection $156.10.

TITLE III FUNDS: Battle Creek Fire Structural Fire Boots $9,232.85.

PRISONER CARE: Pennington County Jail $159.88.

AIRPORT: Brenden Hendrickson $4,458.33; Summit Fire Protection $495.55.

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE: A&B Welding $812.35; Black Hills Coop $1,812.71; Black Hills Energy $72.01; Black Hills Truck & Trailer $6,978.31; Butler Machinery $659.21; Culligan Water $6.95; Custer Ace Hardware $36.98; Floyd's Truck Center $49.49; Forward Distributing $154.65; French Creek Supply $1,423.65; Great Western Tire $11,655; Grimms Pump Service $281.57; North Central International $7,662.93; Servall Towel and Linen $97.58; Southern Hills Publishing $33.14.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Black Hills Coop $51.58.

COUNTY BUILDINGS: Custer Ace Hardware $187.96; Summit Fire Protection $1,585.75.

Motion to approve made by Hindle; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

D. Conflict of Interest Declarations – None.

E. Search & Rescue

1. Sam Smolnisky requested Commission acknowledgement of CCSAR Medical Director, Dr. Brett Shaffer. Smolnisky noted the importance of having a knowledgeable Medical Director available to S&R teams while performing their duties. This allows for a better chain of command when medical decisions are being made while rendering first aid. Dr. Shaffer is an ER Dr. in Rapid City and this will be the first time having a Medical Director available to CCSAR. The Commission liked this positive approach and Legal Counsel, Aaron Davis, will review the agreement presented. The Commission so acknowledged.

F. Planning

1. Planning Director, Terri Kester, presented Final Plat re: LOTS 1 THRU 14 OF 4-MILE SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THE W ½ OF SECTION 5, T4S, R4E, BHM, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA re: Parcels 5831, 5832, 5833, 5834 & 5835 Mary Krogman for Commission approval. This is a 15-parcel subdivision that was presented before the Planning Commission on 8-6-2024. Kester noted the various access points and stated the road is completed. Motion to approve made by Hartman; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

2. Kester presented Final Plat re: BIG SKY RANCH TRACT AND BIG SKY LAKE TRACT, LOCATED IN SECTIONS 24 AND 25, T4S, R3E, AND IN SECTION 19, T4S, R4E, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA. Parcel 001577 Makota Ranches, LLC. for Commission approval. This property has a 20′ private easement and the wastewater system has been approved. The Planning Commission recommended approval at its 1-7-2025 meeting. Motion to approve made by Busskohl; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

3. Final Plat re: LOTS 1 THRU 4 OF WIND CAVE ESTATES SUBDIVISION AND DIDOMENICO TRACT REVISED, LOCATED IN THE S ½ OF SECTION 36, T6S, R5E, BHM, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA. Parcel 015698 Robert Didomenico was presented for approval. This was presented to the Planning Commission on 3-4-2025, where approval was recommended. It was noted the road is finished. Motion to approve made by Hartman; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

4. Kester presented Final Plat re: BIRKHOLZ TRACT, BLOCK 12, CUSTER HIGHLANDS SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THE SW ¼ SE ¼ OF SECTION 10 AND THE NW ¼ NE ¼ OF SECTION 15, T4S, R1E, BHM, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA re: Parcels 007541, 007542 & 007543 Edward Luan & Jill Birkholz for approval. This is a lot consolidation and was presented to the Planning Commission on 3-4-2025, where approval was recommended. Motion to approve made by Linde; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

5. Kester shared information regarding the upcoming annual Easter Egg Hunt that will take place Friday, 4-11-2025 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM in Custer.

G. Liquor License Renewals

Finance Officer, Dawn McLaughlin, presented the following retail on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine licenses for renewal:

1. Sanctus V LLC dba Ft. Welikit Family Campground, renew retail on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine. Motion to approve made by Busskohl; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
2. LT Campground LLC dba Custer/Mt. Rushmore KOA, renew retail on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine. Motion to approve made by Hartman; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
3. Regency CSP Ventures Limited Partnership dba Blue Bell Lodge, renew retail on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine. Motion to approve made by Hindle; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
4. Regency CSP Ventures Limited Partnership dba Legion Lake Lodge, renew retail on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine. Motion to approve made by Busskohl; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
5. Regency CSP Ventures Limited Partnership dba Sylvan Lake Lodge, renew retail on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine. Motion to approve made by Hartman; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
6. Custer County Fair Association, renew retail on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine. Motion to approve made by Busskohl; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
7. American Legion dba Battle Creek Post #303, renew on-off sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine. Motion to approve made by Hindle; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

H. Highway

1. Highway Superintendent, Jesse Doyle, presented request for authorization to purchase Bobcat mini-excavator (Bobcat E60), packer and breaker; Sourcewell Contract #020223-CEC. This purchase was previously discussed at the beginning of 2025 and the funds are available in the budget. The total cost for all 3 items from Bobcat is $104,446, which is significantly less than purchasing separately from other dealers (John Deere, etc). This will be a suitable replacement for the backhoe, which will be surplussed. Motion to approve purchase made by Hartman; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.
2. Doyle presented ROW Occupancy Request from Golden West for buried fiber optic facility for service at 12777 Beaver Crk. Rd, S15, T5S, R5E for approval. Motion to approve made by Hindle; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

I. 8:30 AM Bid Opening

1. Bid Opening re: ¾" surface gravel. Highway Superintendent, Jesse Doyle, received 2 bids; one from Simon and the other from Black Hills Gravel. Doyle noted both were received in the proper timeline. Doyle opened both bids and read as follows:

Simon $11.15/ton; meets ¾" specs and also included 1" gravel base at $9.25/ton, which does not meet specs; Black Hills Gravel $9.50/ton; meets ¾" specs. Motion to table until the end of today's meeting to allow for further review made by Hindle; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

J. Library

1. Library Director, Sarah Myers, presented updated 2025 volunteer rosters for both Custer and Hermosa branches and requested Commission acknowledgement. The Commission so acknowledged.
2. Myers discussed the installation of food pantry shelf located in the library, in partnership with the Storehouse. Myers stated this will be on a small scale and is designed to help bring about food security in the community; showing that the library is more than books. The Storehouse will be responsible for stocking the pantry; no food donations will be accepted at the library, however, monetary donations will be accepted and passed along to the Storehouse.

K. Emergency Management

1. EMS Director, Steve Esser, discussed SD OEM LEMPG program reimbursements, noting funding for reimbursements will be decreased this year. Esser's wages are normally reimbursed at a 50% rate, but stated this will be $12K less in 2025. Esser also shared he has applied for a Homeland Security Fire Suppression grant, but this is now tabled and meetings on the subject postponed.
2. Esser stated a warning and notification exercise with Pennington, Meade and Fall River counties took place on March 26, 2025. Esser stated that 3 of the 5 sirens are in working order, including the Boot Hill siren.
3. Esser updated the Commission on the Search & Rescue generator and BRIC Grant reimbursement project. He stated the project is complete and the generator will allow for a back-up dispatch center, if needed. He is awaiting the $13,262.27 reimbursement toward the total cost of the project ($17,297). The expense was covered by the 2024 budget.
4. Black Hills Corporation will be holding a meeting regarding public safety emergency shutdown planning on May 2, 2025 at 9:00 AM at the BH Energy building. Esser noted he would like at least one Commissioner to attend.

L. Equalization

1. DOE Director, Scott Storms, presented abatement request 2025-9A; Parcel 014537 re: Weldon Lasseter in the amount of $294.30 for Commission approval. Storms found an incorrectly sized vacated alley and noted there is no information available from Buffalo Gap at this time. The new Buffalo Gap Board will have records recreated in the future. Motion to approve made by Hartman; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

2. Storms requested Commission approval of Refund 2025-9R; Parcel 014537 re: Weldon Lasseter in the amount of $36.11, which represents a 24-day pro-rated amount for 2024. Motion to approve made by Busskohl; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

M. Resolution 2025-10-A Resolution Establishing Fees for Certain Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Within Custer County

1. The first reading of Resolution 2025-10 was done by Commissioner Busskohl. The Resolution states initial application fee for retail on-sale liquor license will be $15K, with renewal fee of $500. The initial application fee for off-sale liquor license will be $15K, with renewal fee of $500. Resolution 2025-10 hereby nullifies Resolution 2021-5. Motion to approve first reading made by Busskohl; seconded by Hartman; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

N. Airport

1. A Draft of Quit Claim Deed re: conveyance of 63.25 acres of National Forest System land to Custer County was presented for approval. It was noted that an address needs to be added after the Grantee information. Motion to approve Quit Claim Deed made by Hindle; seconded by Hartman; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

O. Public Comment –

1. Susan Crabtree, resident of Squaw Creek Road, shared concerns with the Commission regarding road name-change request from the Oglala Commission. She presented a petition signed by residents of Squaw Creek Road in opposition to the request. She stated this would be a great inconvenience and expense, as changing her address would affect her online business. She said it was important to not follow the national trend of being politically correct and re-writing history.

2. Richard Crabtree, Squaw Creek Road resident, also shared his opposition to the name-change request. Crabtree stated the word "squaw" is the Algonquin name for "woman" and has carried across the nation. He said the name "Custer" is a much larger issue, if being politically correct was the mission. Commissioner Hindle stated that out of respect for the Oglala County Commissioners, their name change request was passed along to the Squaw Creek Road residents to obtain feedback. Hindle noted that most likely, the name change would not occur.

3. Juliann Gramkow shared that RISE had previously been awarded a grant, but that grant has been nullified. She also stated she would love to have a Commissioner on the Key Leader Board.

4. Lea Anne McWhorter stated Governor Rhoden has proposed a summer tax force to allow counties to set additional county sales tax; ½-percent sales tax for Custer County. This is strictly a county issue and is designed for the Black Hills area. McWhorter also mentioned there are 4 candidates for the upcoming School Board

election and noted the City of Custer candidates (3 council and mayor) all are running unopposed.

P. Commission Legal Counsel

1. Legal Counsel, Aaron Davis, presented Mutual Settlement Agreement and Release between Michael E. Carter and County of Custer for Commission approval. Davis stated the Agreement awards $0 to both parties; both parties are released from liability and this is a full and final release. The governing law is SD. Carter signed the Agreement on 3-21-2025. Motion to approve Chairman's signature on the Agreement made by Hartman; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

Q. Commission

1. Mail call – a) thank you card from Oglala and Fall River Counties re: lien collection procedure meeting held at the Custer County Auditor's office; b) letters from Squaw Creek Road residents in response to proposed road name change from Oglala County Commission.
2. Finance Officer McLaughlin noted the State of SD offices are closed on Good Friday and the following Monday in observance of the Easter holiday. She stated that all DMV transactions will be limited on those days and asked the public to be mindful that title transfers may be a problem and urged the public to either visit the Treasurer's office before or after the Easter holiday to conduct business. The staff has been experiencing very long wait times during phone calls with the State of SD and noted the Treasurer's staff has no control over these wait times.
3. Meeting Schedule – SDACC meeting in Pierre April 9-10th. The Commissioners will meet on April 8th at 1:00, before leaving for Pierre, to set time and date for Board of Appeals.
4. Meeting Reports – Hindle met via Zoom with Mead & Hunt at the Airport; DOT and State Aeronautics, FAA meeting in Deadwood re: runway extension. Linde attended YMCA, Museum, where roof problems were discussed. The museum is working on grants at this time. Busskohl attended Ducks Unlimited and Planning Commission. Hartman attended Planning Commission and DOT, State Aeronautics, FAA meeting in Deadwood.

R. 8:30 AM Bid Opening Continued

1. Motion to untable Gravel Bid opening/award (Item "I") made by Linde; seconded by Busskohl, all aye; motion carried. Motion to accept the bid of $9.50/ton for ¾" gravel from Black Hills Gravel made by Hindle; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

S. Executive Session

1. Executive Session as per SDCL 1-25-2(3) Legal. Motion to enter into Executive Session made by Linde; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried. Executive Session entered into a 9:08 AM and concluded at 9:53 AM.

T. Adjourn

Motion by Linde and seconded by Busskohl to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 AM. The next meeting will be at 8:00 AM, April 23, 2025 in the Commissioner's Room in the Custer County Courthouse.

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Jim Lintz, Chairman

Attest: _____

Barbara Cox, Custer County Deputy Auditor

Published once at the total approximate cost of _____.

2025 ELECTION AGREEMENT
Oglala Lakota County School 65-1 and OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY

This agreement is entered into between OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY SCHOOL 65-1 AND OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY, both governmental subdivisions of the State of South Dakota. This agreement is for the purpose of conducting School District elections as may be necessary, and outlines the duties and responsibilities of each party, as provided under SDCL § 12-2-6 and 13-7-10.3. This agreement is subject to the approval by motion of the Oglala Lakota County Board of Commissioners.

The acting Board of the School District is requesting the County approve this agreement for the purpose of delineating the responsibilities of each party during the School District election process. Both parties agree that an election will be held with the assistance of the Oglala Lakota County Auditor's Office, a department of Oglala Lakota County, aiding in said election in those precincts within the School District **65-1**, located in Oglala Lakota County. The School District authorizes the staff of the Oglala Lakota County Auditor's Office to handle and provide necessary equipment, ie. PollPads, etc., (with a 2–4-hour training provided to the poll workers regarding the proper use of the PollPads) to the School District for 8 polling locations within said county.

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

PURPOSE: It is the purpose of this agreement for parties to conduct the School District election to be held on **Tuesday, June 17, 2025**. The School District shall provide the Auditor, no later than **May 12, 2025,** a Certificate of Ballot races and candidates certifying offices, terms, spelling of candidate names and candidate order as they will appear on the ballot including any applicable ballot question language. The Auditor shall create an election in the TotalVote system and transmit required information to the PollPads that will be on-line at each polling location.

PUBLICATIONS: The School District shall initiate and publish twice its own (1) Notice of vacancy on the school board and filing of nominating petitions pursuant to SDCL § 13-7-5, 13-7-10.4 and ARSD 5:02:04:14; (2) Notice of Voter Registration Deadline (published twice, including online - May 15 and May 22) consistent with ARSD 5:02:04:04; (3) Notice of Election (published twice – June 5 and June 12) pursuant to SDCL § 13-7-8 and ARSD 5:02:04:15 and (4) Facsimile Ballot (published June 12).

COSTS: The School District agrees to reimburse the County the of costs of 8 hot-spots (1 being a spare that will be kept at the School District office, unless needed in an emergency as a back-up at any polling location) at approximately $40.00/month **each** w/ service needed for May and June, 2 internet connections at approximately $70.00/month **each** w/ services need for May and June, supplies, copies, postage, electronic poll books, electronic PollPads, election school and any additional poll worker training, mileage and employee hourly wages for all dedicated time spent assisting with the PollPad implementation, service and support. The PollPads will be delivered to the Auditor's Office within 2 days after the election by courier hired by the School District. Said courier will witness each PollPad case being opened for inspection of any damage to the equipment. Payment will be made within 30 days of the date invoiced.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS: The School District will be responsible for all aspects of the Absentee Ballots that shall be available in person and by mail at the Office of the School Finance Officer no later than 15 days prior to the election (June 2, 2025) for all eligible voters. SDCL § 12-19-1.2. The School District will send a daily listing of all voted absentee ballots received for the Auditor's Office to document in the election in TotalVote.

DAMAGE LIABITY: The Oglala Lakota School District will BE RESPONSIBLE for any and all damages that may occur to the County's property during the time that it is in the possession of the School District. The replacement cost of the damaged property will be billed to the School District.

RECORDS RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION: County shall maintain its electronic election records for school elections for 60 days.

CANVASSING OF THE VOTE: On election night, the precinct Superintendent will use the "check in" receipts produced by the PollPads on the day of election along with the End of Day report to complete their recap of voted and unvoted ballots. The ballots will be tallied at each polling location and totals will be reported to the proper School representative to provide the results for canvassing at the next School Board regular meeting. Everything except the PollPad & hot spot will go to the School District representative on election night. The County will hold any virtual or physical reports and/or results for 60 days after the election.

SDCL § 13-7-30 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION REQUIREMENTS: The County will provide, to the School District, the following: (1) The number of registered voters of the school district who voted in the election; (2) The percentage of registered voters of the school district who voted in the election.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20__.

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ALLYSSA COMER, CHAIRWOMAN
OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY COMMISSION

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SUE GANJE, AUDITOR
OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY
906 N RIVER ST
HOT SPRINGS, SD 57747

(SEAL)

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20__.

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BUSINESS MANAGER

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