

OGDLALALAKOTA COUNTY UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF OCTOBER 09, 2025

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at Fall River County Courthouse on the 3rd floor meeting room on October 09, 2025. Present: Allyssa Comer, Art Hopkins, Wendell Yellow Bull, and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray) was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 1:20 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.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the commission meeting minutes of October 1, 2025.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve the August 2025 Auditors Account with the County Treasurer 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 31st day of August 2025.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS:	\$	503,746.12
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Total Amount of Cash:	\$	751.40
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Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days:	\$	2,403.00
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FIRST INTERSTATE SAVINGS		
First Interstate, HS:	\$	1,510,969.91

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:		
Schwab 2 year	\$	3,132,654.62

Election Petty Cash:	\$	15.00
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RETURNED CHECKS:		
Deaton, Tyler	\$	110.10

TOTAL	\$	5,150,650.15
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Dated This 31st Day of August 2025.

County Monies	\$	5,121,459.48
Held for other Entities	\$	13,153.67
Held in Trust	\$	16,037.00
TOTAL	\$	5,150,650.15

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.

Lynx Bettelyoun, Highway Superintendent, was not able to attend the Commissioners' meeting, the Board acted on his needed highway business.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to accept and approve the Petition for Private Road Maintenance from James L. Standing Bear, with payment of \$160.00.

The fuel quotes were as follows: Westco \$3.515/gal unleaded, \$3.049/gal diesel; Vollan Oil \$2.86/gal unleaded, \$2.95/gal diesel, Pine Ridge Oil No Bid.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to accept the low bid from Vollan Oil in the amount of \$2.86/gal unleaded and \$2.95/gal diesel.

Bear Runner joined the meeting at 1:25 p.m. by phone.

Sue Ganje, County Auditor, met with the Board to present a resolution for a change to the mileage rate and to request travel approval.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the following resolution:
OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY RESOLUTION #2025-08

WHEREAS, Fall River County follows rates set by the State of South Dakota for mileage, meals and lodging; and

WHEREAS, new rates have been set as follows:

Mileage: \$0.70 per mile; \$0.315 per mile if a fleet vehicle is available but the full-time employee opts to use a private vehicle;

In-state meal rates of:

\$6.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 a.m. and returns after 7:59 a.m.;
 \$14.00 if the employee leaves before 11:30 a.m. and returns after 12:59 p.m.;
 \$20.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 p.m. and returns after 7:59 p.m.;
 \$40.00 Total

Out-of-state meal rates of:

\$10.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 a.m. and returns after 7:59 a.m.;
 \$18.00 if the employee leaves before 11:30 a.m. and returns after 12:59 p.m.;
 \$28.00 if the employee leaves before 5:31 p.m. and returns after 7:59 p.m.;
 \$56.00 Total

Lodging In-state:

Up to \$169.00 plus tax a day from check-in

Lodging Out-of-state:

\$175.00 plus tax

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the above rates are effective October 1, 2025.

Passed and approved this 9th day of October, 2025.

/S/ Allyssa Comer
Allyssa Comer, Chair
Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

/S/ Sue Ganje
Sue Ganje
Oglala Lakota County Auditor

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkin, to approve travel for Arrow Bettelyoun, Elections Administrative Assistant, to attend the Auditors Conference on November 18th - 20th, 2025.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, due to Jerlene VSO and Daylon Black Bull, Sheriff, not being available to attend, the Commissioners tabled their portion to the end of the meeting, or move to the next meeting.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve having meetings 2 times a month, on the 2nd Thursday and 3rd Friday.

Bear Runner informed the commission that the Town of Batesland has deeded the land (currently used as an OST Solid Waste site), to the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

The Board discussed having the location changed for the second meeting of the month to the Prairie Wind Casino with the beginning meeting to start on the 17th of October. Hopkins then expressed that the Casino is shutting down and therefore the meeting would be at the Fall River County Courthouse at the 3rd floor meeting room.

There was discussion on job descriptions for Sheriff and Deputy positions.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to have Yellow Bull write up a job description with more detail on what the positions entail. This will be presented at the next meeting.

Discussion on payroll changes. No further action was required.

Arrendondo, VSO, met with the Board to present her August and September report. Arrendondo also mentioned that she passed her training with 100%.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins to approve VSO report.

Bear Runner spoke to the board on the possibility of the county assuming management of the OST Veteran Shelter. The Shelter will not be in operation in 2026 due to lack of grant funds. Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, for Bear Runner and Arrendondo to bring all information and costs the next meeting to determine if the County could accept management of OST Veterans Shelter.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to table the Mastercard bill until further information is provided on one item.

The Board reviewed the Sheriff report. Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Sheriff's monthly report.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve paying the bills between 9/12/25 and 10/9/2025 as follows:

GENERAL FUND		
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	MILEAGE TO/FROM COMM	\$70.00
AT&T MOBILITY	FIRST NET AT&T	\$201.91
CENTURY BUSINESS	CENTURY BUSINESS	\$533.91
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	MILEAGE TO/FROM MTG	\$67.00
TAKES THE SHIELD, ANNA	VOID CK/DIDN'T ATTEND	-\$67.00
FALL RIVER CO. SHERIFF	INMATE HOUSING	\$625.00
FALL RIVER CO. TREASURER	F R CO/ERICKSON LODGING REIMB	\$695.00
GOLDEN WEST	INTERNET FOR ELECTION	\$117.40
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MILEAGE TO/FROM MTG	\$142.04
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MILEAGE TO/FROM SPECIAL	\$142.04
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MILEAGE TO/FROM COMM	\$148.40
LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	LIFE 10290443 DENT 1	\$150.09
LAKOTA TIMES	LAKOTA TIMES	\$525.96
LYNN'S DAKOTA MART	LYNNS DAKOTAMART	\$101.00
ERICKSON, MORGAN	MORGAN ERICKSON	\$455.60
MASTERCARD	MASTERCARD	\$967.56
MCLEOD'S OFFICE SUPPLY	INV 86409 LASER PRIN	\$174.69
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	ALLOCATION OF PREV PMNT	\$3,404.63
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE FEES 06/19-09/10/2025	\$870.85
PAYLOCITY	PAYROLL PROFESSIONAL	\$468.01
SD ASSN OF COUNTY COMM.	4TH QTR CATA LEGAL EXPENSE	\$408.00
SD ASSN OF CO OFFICIALS	2026 SDACO MEMBERSHIP	\$1,255.74
SD DEPT OF HEALTH	LABORATORY SERVICES	\$150.00
SOUTHERN HILLS TITLE	TITLE SEARCHES	\$1,200.00
AKICITA LAKOTA VETERANS	MONTHLY RENT AMOUNT	\$100.00
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MILEAGE TO/FROM SPECIAL	\$87.10
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MILEAGE TO/FROM COMM	\$91.00
COMER, ALLYSSA	MILEAGE TO/FROM MTG	\$128.64
COMER, ALLYSSA	MILEAGE TO/FROM COMM	\$134.40

COMMISSION	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$4,238.36
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VET'S	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$3,632.02
SHERIFF	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$11,976.37
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$33,763.98
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND		
AT&T MOBILITY	FIRST NET AT&T	\$94.96
BLACK HILLS TRUCK	PARS/EQUIP	\$492.18
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	BUTLER	\$781.65
CULLIGAN	CULLIGAN WATER	\$20.85
DIAMOND MOWERS	DIAMOND MOWERS LLC	\$378.42
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATION	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATION	\$222.34
LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	LIFE & DENTAL INSURANCE	\$250.15
LACREEK ELECTRIC ASSOC	LACREEK ELECTRIC	\$235.02
W.D. LARSON COMPANIES	W.D. LARSON	\$149.96
MASTERCARD	MASTERCARD	\$727.49
MCI COMM SERVICE	LONG DISTANCE PHONE	\$54.58
MENARDS	VOID/ALREADY PD	-\$93.40
MIDWAY SERVICE/VOLLAN OIL	FUEL	\$21,057.05
CRBR ADMIN	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$28,411.21
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$52,782.46
M & P FUND		
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	SCANNING EQUIPMENT	\$75.00
	TOTAL FOR M & P FUND	\$75.00
	TOTAL FOR BILLS PD BETWEEN 09/12 AND 10/09/2025	\$86,621.44

Lance Russell, State's Attorney, met with the Board to discuss the Home Rule Charter.

Russell will prepare a draft to bring back to the Board for their consideration.

There were no public comments and no Executive Session.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to adjourn the meeting at 2:21p.m.

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

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