

## **OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 13, 2025**

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Fall River County Courthouse, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor meeting room on November 13, 2025. Present: Allyssa Comer, Art Hopkins, Wendell Yellow Bull, and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Anna Takes the Shield (Dubray) was present via telephone. Ramon Bear Runner was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 1:06 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 Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the agenda with the amendment to include discussion of the next meeting date.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Commission meeting minutes of October 23, 2025.

Motion made by Hopkins, seconded by Yellow Bull to pledge one-third of the cost of the change of venue for the Uranium Chord Hearing to be in Hot Springs. Estimated amount for the county to be in the amount of \$1,956.67.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to set the year end meeting to be on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to set the next meeting date to November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. rather than on November 27<sup>th</sup> (Thanksgiving).

The Highway report was reviewed by Commissioners as the Highway Superintendent was attending the SD for the Safety Benefits Training in Pierre.

Discussion was held on creating a Foreman position in the Highway Department. Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins to create the position, requiring 15 years' experience for the for a Highway Foreman position.

Bear Runner joined via phone at 1:26 p.m.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to include a 90-day probation and to increase the starting wage for Highway Foreman by \$1.00 per hour.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Takes the Shield, to approve fuel reimbursements from the Sheriff to the Highway Department for the Sheriff in the amount of \$69.65 and for the Deputy Sheriff in the amount of \$270.62

Sue Ganje, County Auditor, met with the Board and discussed Private Road work verbiage from "petition" to "Contract" A revised Mill Levy Resolution for taxes payable in 2026 was reviewed and signed by the commissioners.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to table changing the verbiage from petition to contract on Highway Private Road work.

A discussion was held regarding potential employee appreciation pay.

Motion made by Takes the Shield, seconded by Bear Runner, to approve employee appreciation pay prior to Thanksgiving for November and prior to Christmas in December, 2025, in the amount of \$250.00 for Oglala Lakota employees.

Motion was amended by Takes the Shield, seconded by Bear Runner, to pay all employees of Oglala Lakota County \$500.00 in November and December and to also pay Fall River County contracted employees plus GIS and Emergency Management the amount of \$250.00 in November and December 2025.

Yellow Bull wanted to make it clear that this extra amount of money is strictly based on appreciating the employees that do services for Oglala Lakota County.

Teresa Pullen, County Treasurer, met with the Board to discuss updates on investments in Schwab and the cleanup of tax deeds. Pullen will bring updates regarding the investments to the next meeting.

Bear Runner left meeting at 1:57p.m.

At this time, a power outage caused the telephone systems to go down.

Takes the Shield called Comer and updated the Board on the Uranium Chord Project. She spoke with Taylor from NDN Collective on costs to move the Hearings to the City of Hot Springs plans on fund-raising to cover the portion that they were being asked to pledge. The fund raisers will be going on in the next couple weeks. Takes the Shield also asked for an itemized list of expenses from the state if the hearing is held in Hot Springs.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Takes the Shield, to move a motion to pledge 1/3 of the cost of moving the Uranium Chord Project to a future meeting after there has been a determination of a final cost.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Hopkins, to pay the following bills:

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
AMERICINN FORT PIERRE	LODGING FOR ELECTION	\$314.00
ARREDONDO, JERLENE	TRAVEL TO/FROM RC DELIVERY	\$109.48
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SERVICE	\$202.02
CENTURY BUSINESS	COPIER/PRINTER LEASE	\$347.65
CUNY, SCOTT	REFUND FOR 24, PAY 2	\$1,575.94
FALL RIVER CO. TREASURER	ADOBE SUBSCR RENEWAL	\$119.94
FALL RIVER HEALTH SERVICE	INMATE MEDICAL	\$349.87

HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	ADVANCED TRAVEL TO STOMP	\$286.00
HOPKINS, ARTHUR L	MILEAGE TO/FROM MTG	\$148.40
LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	LIFE 10290443 DENT	\$150.09
LAKOTA TIMES	PUBLICATION	\$152.64
LYNN'S DAKOTA MART	COMMISSION MEETING SNACKS	\$43.80
MASTEL, BRUCE	MONTHLY HOST DATABASE	\$35.00
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE FEES 09/10-1	\$685.27
PAYLOCITY	PAYROLL SERVICE & FEES	\$468.01
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	INMATE HOUSING OCTOBER	\$210.00
QUALITY INN PIERRE	LODGING FOR STOMP CO	\$448.00
SDML WORKER'S COMP. FUND	2026 WORKERS COMP	\$4,026.83
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	OCTOBER 2025 REMITTANCE	\$1,380.03
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	ONLINE LAW SOFTWARE	\$171.33
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	ADVANCED TRAVEL TO STOMP	\$329.40
YELLOW BULL, WENDELL	MILEAGE TO/FROM MTG	\$91.00
BETTELYOUN, ARROW	PER DIEM FOR ELECTION TRAIN	\$80.00
COMER, ALLYSSA	ADVANCED TRAVEL STOMP	\$314.00
COMER, ALLYSSA	MILEAGE TO/FROM MTG	\$134.40
COMMISSION	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$3,572.45
ST ATTY	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$568.26
VET'S	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$1,816.01
SHERIFF	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$6,249.54
	<b>TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$24,379.36</b>
<b>COUNTY ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>		
AT&T MOBILITY	WIRELESS PHONE SERVICE	\$94.99
BLACK HILLS TRUCK	VOID ALREADY PAID	-\$246.09
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	TOOLS/SUPPLIES	\$458.93
\$49.99 INV 88681697 RE-TRACTABLE RACH, \$94.99 " " TOOL BOX, \$8.99 INV 88681568 WRENCH ORGANIZER, \$9.99 " " MAGNET TRAY, \$19.99 " " SOCKET BOSS, \$189.99 " " TOOL BOX PACKOUT, \$84.99 " " TOOL BOX		
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	EQUIPMENT/REPAIR/PARTS	\$5,178.19

\$6.08 INV 06WO0224674 SEAL X 4, \$5.60 " " SEAL O RING X 4, \$765.87 " " ROD AS, \$114.08 " " KIT-SEAL-H.C, \$45.72 " " PAINT-YELLOW X8, \$10.00 " " LABOR, \$110.09 " " REMOVE & INSTALL SIDESHIFT, \$880.00 " " LABOR, \$2.74 " " SEAL X 2, \$2.80 " " SEAL O RING, \$38.94 " " COUPLING AS X 2, \$456.88 " " COUPLING AS X 2, \$49.30 " " HOSE BK X 170, -\$394.48INV 06CS0070216 CORE CREDIT, -\$423.49 " " CORE CREDIT, \$7.14 INV 06PS0718979 GASKET X 2, \$1,004.40 " " CORE A OIL X 2, \$394.48 " " CORE CHARGE, \$7.74 INV 06PS0719553 RING X 3, \$8.72 " " SEAL O RING X 2, \$5.06 " " GASKET X 2, \$1,078.21 " " CORE A OIL, \$423.49 " " CORE CHARGE, \$107.82 " " INBOUND FREIGHT, \$21.00 " " OUTBOUND FREIGHT, \$50.00,INV 06WO0224674 LABOR		
CULLIGAN	DRINKING WATER	\$13.90
DIAMOND MOWERS	VOID ALREADY PAID	-\$378.42
BUCHE HARDWARE & LUMBER	TOOLS/SUPPLIES	\$74.95
\$6.99 INV 248321/1 CYLINDER PROPANE, \$27.99 " " CORD RANGE 6' GR, \$23.99 " " ELECTRICAL PIN-TYPE PLUG, \$7.99 " " COARSE WIRE CUP BRUSH 2", \$7.99 " " FINE WIRE WHEEL 2-1/2"		
LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	LIFE 10290443 DENT	\$250.15
LACREEK ELECTRIC ASSOC	ELECTRICITY	\$324.55
W.D. LARSON COMPANIES	VOID/ALREADY PAID	-\$149.96
MARTIN AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES	\$140.56
\$24.99 INV 202060741 1/2 DR QUICK REL, \$3.33 " " 1/2 DR 6 PT STANDARD, \$12.06 " " PERMATHEX HEAVY DUTY, \$30.86 " " 21 TRICO FORCE BEAM X 2, \$45.87 " " 1/2 DR EXTENDABLE, \$10.87 " " FAT BROWN STRING, \$27.20 " " SBB 72 CT SCRUBS, \$10.88 " " BOLT, -\$16.50CREDIT ON ACCT 20200508		
MENARDS	SUPPLIES/TOOLS	\$842.44
\$359.84 INV 83177 96" T8T12 LED 4CT X8, \$25.49 " " CHARMIN TP 24 CT, \$20.20 " " TOOLBOX 6 PK BLUE TOWELSX2, \$31.43 " " HIGH TEMP RED GREASE X 7, \$19.96 " " BLASTER PENETRANT X 4, \$3.97 " " COMB WRN STD 7/15, \$6.99 " " 10 PC MET COLOR SOCKET SET, \$29.98 " " RATCH QR EXTEND 3/8 DR, \$6.99 " " 10 PC MET COLOR SOCKET SET, \$7.96 " " CHARMIN FLUSHABLE WIPES, \$14.98 " " 100 CT YELLOW WINGNUT, \$22.99 " " DR TOOL ACCESSORY 10 P, \$12.99 " " 6 PC SCREWDRIVER SET, \$47.48 INV 82281 BND CHAIN G70 YEL, \$16.99 " " 6'X8' MESH TARP, \$23.94 " " GATORADE 8 PK X 3, \$119.90 " " 96" 110 T12 42PK HO, \$9.99 " " 1/2" ROPE KIT, \$12.49 " " 1/2-5/8" STOVE GASKET KIT, \$23.94 " " GATORADE 8 PK X 3, \$23.94 " " GATORADE 8 PK X 3		
MIDWAY SERVICE/VOLLAN OIL	VOID/ALREADY PAID	-\$21,057.05
SDML WORKER'S COMP. FUND	2026 WORKERS COMP	\$7,262.17

CUNY, SCOTT	REFUND FOR 24, PAY 25	\$29.75
CRBR ADMIN	WAGES & BENEFITS	\$17,813.11
	<b>TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>	<b>\$10,652.17</b>
	<b>TOTAL FOR BILLS PAID BETWEEN 10/24 AAND 11/13/2024</b>	<b>\$35,031.53</b>

There were no public comments and no Executive Session.

Motion made by Yellow Bull, seconded by Takes the Shield, to adjourn the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

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

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