

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on September 15th, 2026, at 9:00 AM in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Jay Grabow presiding. Those present were Commissioners Jay Grabow, Steve Rhody, Scott Fieber, Harry Mewherter and Judith Homan. Also present was Auditor Courtney Parker and a few members of the public. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. 1) Fieber moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve the agenda as presented striping. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Item #1 Banner Associates Project Manager Mark Junker

Junker and Matt Buenger presented the bridge inspection program. Banner explained the bridges they inspect are 20 feet or longer, its federal law that they are inspected every two years, and SDDOT pays for 80% of the inspection fee with the County paying the remaining 20%. There are 40 bridges in total, 10 poor (2 on dead end minimum maintenance roads), 15 fair, 15 good, 9 bridges with weight limit restrictions, 2 county asphalt, 7 on township (1 dead end on minimum maintenance roads). This year 22 bridges were inspected this year. Discussion was had on all the bridges inspected and what the county can do to help preserve these bridges.

Item #2 Highway Superintendent Jamie Broksieck

Broksieck presented a few items to the board that needed action. 2) Rhody moved, seconded by Fieber to approve SDDOT contract for structure 20-153-210. All voted yes and the motion carried. 3) Homan moved, seconded by to approve SDDOT contract for structure 20-170-004. All voted yes and the motion carried. 4) Fieber moved, seconded by Rhody to approve Sir Lines Alot to paint stripe 22 miles of chip sealing at \$49,460. All voted yes and the motion carried. 5) Homan moved, seconded by Grabow to approve Resolution 26-25 to submit application to the South Dakota Department of Transportation for the Transportation Alternatives Program for the Lake Cochrane Shared Use Path Study. All voted yes and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DEUEL COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TRANSPORTATION ALTERNAVITES PROGRAM FOR LAKE COCHRANE SHARED USE PATH STUDY AND COMMITTING TO THE TERMS OF THE GRANT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Deuel County, South Dakota (“Applicant”) is qualified, willing, and able to carry out all activities described in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has reviewed and approved the project description and financial plan associated with the grant application for Lake Cochrane Shared Use Path Study for a total project amount of up to \$180,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the grant program requires the Applicant to authorize a designated representative to submit the application, negotiate, sign, and execute all agreements, amendments, and payment requests necessary to complete the proposed project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DEUEL COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Authorization of Submittal:** The Board of Commissioners hereby approves the filing of a grant application with South Dakota Department of Transportation, Transportation Alternatives Program for Lake Cochrane Shared Use Path Study.
2. **Designation of Representative:** The Highway Superintendent, or their designee, is hereby authorized and directed to sign and submit the grant application, and to act as the official representative of the Applicant in connection with this application and any resulting grant agreement.
3. **Assurance of Matching Funds / Maintenance:** The Applicant certifies that it has or will have sufficient funds to operate, maintain, and manage the project/facility for its useful life, and agrees to commit the necessary local match funds of 20% of the project cost up to a total project of \$180,000.00 as stated in the application.
4. **Compliance:** The Applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and grant program guidelines.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota on this ____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

Signature of Witness

Printed Name and Title

APPROVED:

Signature of Commission Chair

Printed Name and Title

Item #3 10:00 AM Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel Matters

6) Rhody moved, seconded by Fieber to move into Executive Session Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel Matters. All voted yes and the motion carried. Grabow declared the Commissioners out of Executive Session at 10:20 AM. No action was taken.

Item #4 Zoning Officer Jodi Theisen

Theisen presented five plats. 7) Homan moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve the plat entitled “**Kruse Second Addition located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 20, Township 117 North, Range 47 West of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,**” and Resolution 26-20. All voted yes and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26-20

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the plat entitled: **“Kruse Second Addition located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 20, Township 117 North, Range 47 West of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,”** which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, and it appearing that all taxes and special assessments have been paid and that such plat and the survey thereof have been made and executed according to law, the plat is hereby approved, and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same.

Dated this 15th day of September, 2026.

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners,
Deuel County, South Dakota

ATTEST:

County Auditor, Deuel County, South Dakota

8) Fieber moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve the plat entitled **“Lot 16A of Shady Beach in Gov’t Lot 7, Section 4, T114N, R47W of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,”** and Resolution 26-21 contingent upon staff receiving all fully signed proprietor sheets and the signed original mylar prior to recording with the Register of Deeds. All voted yes and the motion carried.

COUNTY COMMISSION RESOLUTION
Resolution No. 26-21

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the plat entitled: **“Lot 16A of Shady Beach in Gov’t Lot 7, Section 4, T114N, R47W of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,”** which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, and it appearing that all taxes and special assessments have been paid and that such plat and the survey thereof have been made and executed according to law, the plat is hereby approved, and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same.

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Chairman, Board of County Commissioners,
Deuel County, South Dakota

Attest:

County Auditor,
Deuel County, South Dakota

9) Homan moved, seconded by Fieber to approve the plat entitled “**Ash Grove Addition in the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section 8, T115N, R49W of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,**” and Resolution 26-22. All voted yes and the motion carried.

COUNTY COMMISSION RESOLUTION
Resolution No. 26-22

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the plat entitled: “**Ash Grove Addition in the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section 8, T115N, R49W of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,**” which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, and it appearing that all taxes and special assessments have been paid and that such plat and the survey thereof have been made and executed according to law, the plat is hereby approved, and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same.

Dated this 15th day of September, 2026.

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners,
Deuel County, South Dakota

Attest:

County Auditor,
Deuel County, South Dakota

10) Rhody moved, seconded by Mewherter to approve the plat entitled “**PLAT OF HOSECK’S ADDITION, in the Northeast ¼ of Section 33, T114N, R50W of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,**” and Resolution 26-23. All voted yes and the motion carried.

COUNTY COMMISSION RESOLUTION
#26-23

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the herein PLAT OF HOSECK'S ADDITION, in the Northeast ¼ of Section 33, T114N, R50W of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota, prepared by Brian D. Ernst, Registered Land Surveyor of the State of South Dakota be and the same is hereby approved.

I, Courtney Parker, County Auditor for Deuel County, South Dakota, do certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Board of County Commissioners, Deuel County, South Dakota, at the regular meeting on the 15th day of September, 2026.

Deuel County Auditor

11) Fieber moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the plat entitled **“Moes Second Addition in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 117 North, Range 50 West of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,”** and Resolution 26-24. All voted yes and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26-24

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the plat entitled: **“Moes Second Addition in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 117 North, Range 50 West of the 5TH P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota,”** which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, and it appearing that all taxes and special assessments have been paid and that such plat and the survey thereof have been made and executed according to law, the plat is hereby approved, and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same.

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New Business

12) Rhody moved, seconded by Homan to approve the August Cash Balance Sheet. All voted yes and the motion carried.

**DEUEL COUNTY AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH TREASURER
END OF MONTH CASH BALANCE- AUGUST 2026**

CASH TOTAL				\$	1,679.77
CHECKS TOTAL				\$	28,145.31
CASH ITEM				\$	-
CASH CHANGE SHERIFF				\$	50.00
TOTAL CASH ASSETS ON HAND				\$	29,875.08
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE				\$	582,367.34
PREMIUM MM FIRST BANK & TRUST OF TORONTO				\$	6,069,230.82
SD FIT				-	
CREDIT CARDS				\$	837.90
CD		DNB		\$	250,000.00
		FB&T		-	
INTEREST EARNED: \$21,069.29					
REVOLVING LOAN				\$	46,037.81
GRAND TOTAL CASH ASSETS				\$	6,978,348.95
GL CASH BALANCE BY FUNDS:					
GENERAL FUND				\$	5,216,055.20
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				\$	1,366,456.88
TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS				\$	395,836.87
Townships	\$66,556.95	Cities	\$21,650.46		
Schools	\$46,821.55	Rural Fire	\$730.47		
TOTAL GENERAL LEDGER CASH				\$	6,978,348.95

Difference

= \$ -

13) Fieber moved, seconded by Rhody to approve the 2027 Annual Budget. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Discussion was had on the Johnson Controls Quote for some maintenance and new parts for a wall unit in the amount of \$1,700. The board chose to get quotes for other vendors.

14) Fieber moved, seconded by Mewherter to accept resignation from States Attorney Craig Evenson. All voted yes and the motion carried.

15) Rhody moved, seconded by Fieber to appoint John Knight as States Attorney in January 2nd, 2027. Interim States Attorney Teree Nesvold will continue to hold office until Knight starts in January. Grabow called for a Roll Call Vote: Homan-Aye, Mewherter-Aye, Fieber-Aye, Rhody-Aye, Grabow-Aye. Motion carries.

16) Fieber moved, seconded by Grabow to move the November 3rd commission meeting to November 5th. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Approval of Warrants

17) Fieber moved, seconded by Homan to pay all of the warrants as presented. All voted yes and motion carried.

Paid Early: AT&T 252.24 SHERIFF UTILITES, RC TECHNOLOGIES 150.00 911 FUND, SDAAO 400.00 TRAVEL AND LODGING, PORTLAND TOWNSHIP 35572.00 SETTLEMENT, DEUEL COUNTY TREASURER 1088.54 DELINQUENT TAX ACCOUNT,

Transmittals: Schools: 43024.51, Townships: 3144.83, Towns: 4514.18, EDWD 126.02, Rural Fire: 730.46

Warrants: A-OX WELDING SUPPLY COMPANY IN 61.58 RENTAL, AMERICAN SOLUTION FOR BUSINESS 482.26 SUPPLIES, AT&T MOBILITY 40.54 HWY PHONE, AUSTIN LAW OFFICE 526.61 CAA, AUSTIN LAW OFFICE 586.16 CAA, AUSTIN LAW OFFICE 1281.43 CAA, BANNER ASSOCIATES INC 57659.67 PROF SERVICES, BROOKINGS CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE 577.50 PRISONER HOUSING, BROOKINGS DEUEL RURAL WATER 163.80 UTILITY, BJERKE SANITATION 80.00 GARBAGE HWY, BOWES CONSTRUCTION INC 930858.01 OVERLAY, BOYD LAW FIRM, PROF. L.L.C. 2836.17 PROF SERVICES, CARTNEY BEARING & SUPPLY CO 24.51 REPAIR, CENTURY LINK 341.40 UTILITIES, CINTAS CORP 426.21 PROF SERVICES, CL BUILDING CENTER & RENTAL 162.95 SUPPLIES, CITY OF CLEAR LAKE 451.04 UTILITIES, TWOTREES TECHNOLOGIES 2278.80 TECHNOLOGY, DAKOTA DATA SHRED 94.40 SHREDDING, DAKOTA PORTABLE TOILETS, INC 225.00 TOILET HORSE ARENA, DEUEL COUNTY FARMERS UNION OIL 796.72 REPAIRS, DEBRA TANNER 52.50 OVERPMNT TAX 526118, DETCO 833.10 SUPPLIES, ELECTION SYSTEMS& SOFTWARE INC 1065.95 SUPPLIES, FIRST BANK & TRUST 4088.16 CREDIT CARD, H-D ELECTRIC COOP, INC 865.86 UTILITIES, INTER-LAKES COMM ACTION INC 1379.75 SEPTEMBER SUPPORT, INDEED, INC 53.10 EQUIL JOB POSTING, ITC 1299.15 INTERNET, JEBRO INC 57599.88 SUPPLIES, JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL 372.76 SUPPLIES, MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS 90.00 SCANNING EQUIP, NORTHWESTERN ENERGY 83.08 UTILITIES, OFFICE PEEPS INC 635.58 SUPPLIES, OTTERTAIL POWER CO 1665.55 UTILITIES, PRAIRIE DUST CONTROL LLC 2451.00 SUPPLIES, RICHARDSON, WYLY, WISE, 2474.95 ATTORNEY, SANFORD HEALTH 1666.67 JULY HEALTH NURSE, SO DAK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 300.00 BLOOD ALC, SOUTH DAKOTA DEPT OF REVENUE 134624.94 SDDOR, SDACO 280.00 M & P, SD SECRETARY OF STATE 30.00 SUPPLIES, STREICHERS 2717.00 SUPPLIES, REGNIER AUCTION CO 1282.50 BOBCAT BROOM,

Public Comment

Steve January discussed the Brookings County subcommittee had a meeting to discuss the 765kV lines. There were concerns regarding the static electricity and medical issues. The subcommittee is recommending to the planning and zoning commission a 2,000-foot setback that will in turn go before the county commission. Grant County has not adopted anything as January stated.

Adjournment

There being no further business 18) Fieber moved, seconded by Rhody to adjourn. All voted yes and the motion carried.

ATTEST:

Courtney Parker, Auditor

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