

Dakota County Board of Commissioners  
Tuesday, January 21, 2025  
3:00 p.m. – Re-organizational Business Meeting  
County Board Meeting Room, First Floor  
Dakota County Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska

Chair Hohenstein called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the BOE meeting prior. Present at Roll Call: Hohenstein, Rodriguez, Van Berkum, Bousquet, Reed. Absent: None. Also present was Kim Watson, County Attorney and Cherie Conley, County Clerk, acting as Board Secretary. The location of the Open Meetings Act was noted.

CALL TO ORDER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
ROLL CALL – *Excused Absence*

A current copy of the *Open Meetings Act* is posted on the west wall near the entrance of the County Board Meeting Room and is available for review by all citizens in attendance.

*The Dakota County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to adjust the order of items on this agenda if necessary.*

1. RE-ORGANIZATION
  - a. Nominations for Chairperson §23-156
  - b. Nominations for Vice-Chair
2. PUBLIC COMMENT. The Board of Commissioners will hear comments about any item not on the agenda. The Chair has the discretion to limit the time of comment.
3. CONSENT AGENDA *Any individual item may be removed by a Commissioner for special discussion and consideration. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners.*
  - a. Approval of the previous minutes – January 6, 2025
  - b. Board to approve the payroll claims for January 5 to 18, 2025
  - c. Approval of payroll accounts payable claims
  - d. Approval of accounts payable claims
  - e. Approval of Officials Reports- Register of Deeds, County Clerk and Clerk of District Court
  - f. Approval of Quarterly Reports - Jail and Sheriff
  - g. If changes are made to Chairperson, approve the removal of prior Chair from the accounts at F & M Bank, Siouxland Bank, BankFirst and add new Chairperson, and keep Cherie Conley, County Clerk as primary signer and Paola Ledesma, Deputy County Clerk as secondary signer.
  - h. Approval to designate the following banks as depositories for Dakota County with the maximum deposit being governed by securities pledged by each institution: First Community Bank, Homer; F&M Bank, South Sioux City; First Nebraska Bank, Valley; BankFirst Bank, South Sioux City; Siouxland Bank, South Sioux City; Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT), Union Bank & Trust, Lincoln.
  - i. Approval of the date and time of regular Commissioner meetings as bi-weekly starting from today; start time as 3:00 PM. with meetings to be held on Monday, or Tuesday if Monday is a holiday. Chair reserves the right to make exception for an unforeseen circumstance (Nov 24 & Dec 22, 2025 move meeting to 9:30 a.m. as they are Holiday weeks.)
  - j. Approval and establishment of the following dates for County Holidays in 2025:

Jan 1, 2025 – New Year’s Day	Nov. 11, 2025 – Veterans Day
Jan. 20, 2025 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Nov. 27, 2025 – Thanksgiving Day
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3 personal days + birthday in birthday month (4 days)  
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  - k. Approval of posting the Board’s agenda on County website [www.dakotacountyne.org](http://www.dakotacountyne.org)
  - l. Approval and designation of County Government Day as Wednesday, October 8, 2025.
  - m. Approval of the Dakota County Burial Policy last revised January 30, 2017.
  - n. Approval of the following Appointments:
    - Nicholas Nieman, Veterans Service Officer
    - Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, License #S-1698, Class A, Calendar Year 2025
    - Deanna Hagberg, Emergency Management Director
    - Theresa Grove, Health Department Director
    - Joe O’Neill, Planning & Zoning Director
    - Dr. Wentz, Health Board Doctor Advisor

4. NEW BUSINESS & RESOLUTIONS

- a. Board Chair to make appointments for members/employees/public to serve on the following boards and working committees:

Advisors to Various Boards:

- ❖ Area Agency for Aged Advisory Board (3-yr term to 2027) – Shawna Messerlie
- ❖ Area Agency on Aging Governing Board
- ❖ County Health Board
- ❖ Dakota County Public Safety Services Agency Governing Board (Res.25C-001)
- ❖ Goldenrod Regional Housing Agency (formerly NE Nebr. Joint Housing agency)
- ❖ Northstar (formerly Region IV Developmental Disabilities)
- ❖ Planning & Zoning
- ❖ RC&D (Nebraska Loess Hills Resource Conservation & Development Council)
- ❖ Region IV Mental Health Board
- ❖ SIMPCO Board of Directors
- ❖ SIMPCO Transportation MPO Policy Board

Member of Working Committee:

- ❖ Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- ❖ Civil Defense (LEPC, PEP)
- ❖ Dakota County Rural Economic Development
- ❖ Emergency Closings
- ❖ Finance/Budget
- ❖ Growing Community Connections
- ❖ Highway 35 Committee
- ❖ KNNB (Keep Northeast Nebraska Beautiful)
- ❖ LEC (Law Enforcement Center)
- ❖ LEC (County Representative on the Joint Law Enforcement Center Board)
- ❖ Legislative
- ❖ Merit Commission
- ❖ Personnel/Policies
- ❖ Press Committee
- ❖ Property/Space Utilization
- ❖ Road Committee
- ❖ Safety Committee
- ❖ Storm Water Advisory Board
- ❖ Veterans Oversight Committee

- b. Angela Abts, Nebraska Extension Office-Dakota County, to present the 2024 Annual Report.
- c. Approve Resolution 25C-001 to make the appointment of the County representative to the governing board of the Dakota County Public Safety Services Agency.
- d. Stephanie Gatzemeyer, Treasurer, semi-annual report showing receipts and disbursements of the Treasurer's Office for the last preceding six months ending December 31. §33-117(3) .
- e. Board to appoint one member to the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments.
- f. Civil Engineering to discuss issues with the Likuwanta Drive project and Board to take any action necessary.
- g. Board to discuss the Road Department positions of Road Foreman and Weed/Sign employee and make decisions on how to proceed.

5. OLD BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent - Road Report
- b. Sheriff Kleinberg / Elizabet DeRoin– Quarterly Jail Report (October, November, December).
- c. County Board shall make quarterly visit to county jail. §47-109
- d. Board to designate March 10, 2025 for the Joint City/County/School Annual meeting and appoint committee members to help organize.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS

7. MAIL AND/OR EMERGENCY BUSINESS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hohenstein called for nominations for Board Chairperson. Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez to nominate Martin Hohenstein as Board Chairperson (no other nominations were made). ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Chair Hohenstein called for nominations for Board Vice-Chair. Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Reed to nominate Rick Bousquet for Vice-Chair (no other nominations were made). ROLL CALL VOTE: Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Chair Hohenstein called for Public Comment. There was none.

Chair Hohenstein called for approval of the consent agenda items. Meeting dates were discussed. Due to holidays Commissioner meetings on November 24 and December 22 will start at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Bousquet suggested making December 24 full day holiday. After discussion it was left as is. Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Bousquet to approve the consent agenda items: a. Approval of the previous minutes – January 6, 2025; b. Board to approve the payroll claims for January 5 to 18, 2025; c. Approval of payroll accounts payable claims; d.

Approval of accounts payable claims; e. Approval of Officials Reports- Register of Deeds, County Clerk & Clerk of District Court; f. Approval of Quarterly Reports- Jail and Sheriff; g. No Changes to bank accounts. (If changes are made to Chairperson, approve the removal of prior Chair from the accounts at F & M Bank, Siouxland Bank, BankFirst and add new Chairperson, and keep Cherie Conley, County Clerk as primary signer and Paola Ledesma, Deputy County Clerk as secondary signer); h. Approval to designate the following banks as depositories for Dakota County with the maximum deposit being governed by securities pledged by each institution: First Community Bank, Homer; F&M Bank, South Sioux City; First Nebraska Bank, Valley; BankFirst Bank, South Sioux City; Siouxland Bank, South Sioux City; Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT), Union Bank & Trust, Lincoln; i. Approval of the date and time of regular Commissioner meetings as bi-weekly starting from today; start time as 3:00 PM. with meetings to be held on Monday, or Tuesday if Monday is a holiday. Chair reserves the right to make exception for an unforeseen circumstance (Nov 24 & Dec 22, 2025 move meeting to 9:30 a.m. as they are Holiday weeks.); j. Approval and establishment of the following dates for County Holidays in 2025:\*

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ROLL CALL VOTE: Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**Payroll: General Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$179,469.33; Net Pay-\$129,636.00; Total Retirement-\$12,853.17; Total FICA-\$13,252.52; Health Plan-\$45,360.00; Dental Plan-\$1,640.00; Life Insurance-\$215.49; Richard Bousquet-\$1,225.62; Martin Hohenstein-\$1,271.77; Jeffrey Reed-\$1,225.62; Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos-\$1,225.62; Brian Van Berkum-\$1,225.62; Cherie Conley-\$2,549.99; Robin Hansen-\$1,540.57; Paola Ledesma-\$1,679.04; Kathy Abbe-\$1,502.40; Khen Chu-\$1,280.00; Maria Garcia-\$1,346.40; Stephanie Gatzemeyer-\$2,549.99; Jalissa Hattig-\$1,657.60; Brenda Landaverde-\$1,420.00; Emily McNaughton-\$1,346.40; Debera Benton-\$1,540.00; Christy Abts-\$2,549.99; Melissa Collins-\$1,856.75; Joseph O’Neil-\$636.00; Karen Becerra-\$1,744.80; Katherine Wiltgen-\$2,549.99; Louvontree Hunter-\$3,615.82; Debra Jensen-\$1,781.60; Samantha Mitchell-\$1,378.40; Rodney Soole-\$2,307.20; Todd Uhl-\$1,920.00; Tammy Dunn Peterson-\$1,596.80; Angelica Antonio Flores-\$2,060.80; Shaun Bird-\$2,657.66; Timothy Decker-\$2,766.78; Brian Ellinger-\$2,592.80; Penny Epting-\$2,681.93; Brian Fernau-\$833.22; Tyler Fulkerth-\$2,488.55; Jeremy Gilpin-\$2,443.65; Martin Guerrero-\$2,423.52; Melvin Harrison III-\$2,536.11; Jason James-\$2,435.67; Kimberly Johnson-\$1,033.95; Jared Junge-\$2,516.80; Jaime Keatts-\$0.00; Christopher Kleinberg-\$3,185.79; Jose Magana-\$2,217.59; Keaton Mueller-\$2,060.80; Gregory Nyhof-\$2,270.40; Jonathan Romo-Rodriguez-\$2,198.46; Mardi Schnee-\$1,389.13; Ryne Sell-\$232.30; Sarah Hammond-\$2,588.01; Shantel Krull-\$1,164.80; Debra Schmiidt-\$3,910.80; Kimberly Watson-\$3,981.55; Alexandra Wolf-\$1,250.63; Jacob Acero-\$1,818.10; Summer Adair-\$1,717.70; Shaelee Barreras-\$2,670.00; Dillon Blackbird Villacres-\$1,708.56; Rebecca Broer-\$85.05; Ismael Castro-\$1,733.76; Timathey Chamberlain-\$1,785.72; Charlotte Coleman-\$806.60; Ruby De La Torre-\$1,301.38; Adilene Delgadillo Alvarez-\$811.35; Elisabet DeRoin-\$2,346.05; Cody Epting-\$2,224.74; Rebekah Epting-\$1,857.96; Jennifer Fuentes-\$2,063.11; Jonathan Gray-\$2,036.57; Kara Groetken-\$1,898.64; McKenna Hammer-\$1,687.56; Todd Hammer-\$2,520.46; Adam Hough-\$2,028.00; Dustin Johnson-\$1,754.76; Terry Johnson-\$1,818.84; Brandon Long-\$2,033.87; Jennifer Marquez-\$2,086.18; Skyler Miner-\$1,886.00; Kelsey O’Neill-\$1,964.76; Jaime Perez-Rojas-\$1,677.52; Kimberly Peterson-\$1,862.90; Cesar Ponce Robles-\$1,932.94; Michele Rohde-\$1,704.80; Jeremy Russell-\$1,960.80; Jerry Santos-\$1,869.61; Jennifer Svendsen-\$2,835.32; Armando Valerio-\$1,748.74; Randall Walsh-\$2,662.58; Deanna Hagberg-\$2,266.37; Jolene Gubbels-\$2,364.18; Jennifer Ankerstjerne-\$1,517.51; Theresa Grove-\$2,529.60; Johanna Marquez-\$1,331.20; Courtney Swick-\$1,613.96; Nicholas Nieman-\$2,499.89; **General Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$10,341.80; State Tax-\$5,711.63; Soc Sec-\$10,740.65; Medicare-\$2,511.87; Extra Fit-\$1,506.00; Extra Sit-\$500.00; Retirement-\$8,874.07; Health Plan-\$3,550.00; Dental Plan-\$546.00; Colonial Health-\$194.73; Sheriff Union Dues-\$850.00; Colonial Life/Disability-\$54.00; Deferred Comp-\$690.00; Garnishments-\$1,649.41; Flex Plan Medical-\$1,073.08; Flex Dependent Care-\$208.33; VSP Vision Prem-\$401.46; Legal Shield-\$128.64; Liberty Nat’l Pretax-\$112.07; Liberty Nat’l Post tax-\$41.97; VSP Vision Base-\$147.62; **Road Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$15,383.22; Net Pay-\$11,507.35; Retirement-\$1,038.34; Total FICA-\$1,168.22; Health Plan-\$5,040.00; Dental Plan-\$180.00; Life Insurance-\$22.06; Robert Hacker-\$1,960.80; Lance Jacobsen-\$105.30; Scott Jorgneson-\$1,924.80; David Kneiff-\$1,948.80; Kimon Litras-\$1,984.80; Tanya Orr-\$1,844.80; Dean Pallas-\$2,028.80; Colton Stallbaum-\$1,660.32; Gunner Stanwick-\$1,924.80; **Road Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$1,102.49; State Tax-\$516.98; FICA-\$946.79; Medicare-\$221.43; Extra Fit-\$25.00; Retirement-

\$692.27; Dental Plan-\$21.00; Colonial Health-PreTax-\$38.23; Colonial Health L/D-\$35.10; Road Union Dues-\$165.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$19.18; Legal Shield-\$58.36; Liberty National PreTax-\$6.50; VSP Vision Base-\$27.54; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,632.54; Net Pay-\$1,229.61; Retirement-\$110.20; Total FICA-\$121.07; Health Plan-\$560.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Chloe Coover-\$1,632.54; **Health Planning Grant Employee 2502:** Federal Tax-\$102.69; State Tax-\$55.71; FICA-\$98.12; Medicare-\$22.95; Retirement-\$73.46; Flex Plan Medical-\$50.00; **Health Program Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,734.84; Net Pay-\$1,346.54; Retirement-\$117.10; Total FICA-\$129.91; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Yesica Saldana Cisneros-\$1,734.84; **Health Program Grant Employee 2504:** Federal Tax-\$96.16; State Tax-\$47.50; FICA-\$105.29; Medicare-\$24.62; Retirement-\$78.07; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Base-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,647.00; Net Pay-\$1,365.18; Retirement-\$111.17; Total FICA-\$123.19; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Kristin Robinette-\$1,647.00; **Juvenile Services Aid Employee 2507:** Federal Tax-\$0.00; State Tax-\$47.85; FICA-\$99.84; Medicare-\$23.35; Retirement-\$74.12; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$15.66;

**Payroll Accounts Payable: General Fund:** Collection Service Center, garnishment-\$564.45; Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$248.73; Dental Account, premium-\$2,186.00; FSA Dep Care - \$208.33; FSA Medical - \$1,073.08; Health Plan, premium-\$48,910.00; Fraternal Order of Police #49, union dues-\$850.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$11,847.80; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$154.04; Hawkeye Adjustment Service, garnishment - \$318.35; Legalshield, premium-\$128.64; Life Insurance, premium-\$215.49; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, contributions-\$690.00; Nebraska Child Support, garnishments-\$766.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$6,211.63; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$21,727.24; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$26,505.04; VSP, premium-\$549.08. **Road Fund:** Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$73.33; Dental Account, premium-\$201.00; Health Plan, premium-\$5,040.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$1,127.49; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$6.50; Legalshield, premium-\$58.36; Life Insurance, premium-\$22.06; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$516.98; Nebraska Public Empl Local 251, union dues-\$165.00; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$1,730.61; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$2,336.44; VSP, premium-\$46.72; **Insurance Fund 1275:** Mid-American Benefits-medical claims \$17,451.32; **Health Fund 2502:** DC FSA-medical claims-\$50.00; Medical Account, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$102.69; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$55.71; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$183.66; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$242.14; **Health Fund 2504:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Health Plan, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$96.16; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$47.50; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$195.17; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$259.82; VSP, premium-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Fund 2507:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$47.85; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$185.29; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$246.38; VSP, premium-\$15.66.

**Accounts Payable: General Fund:** Dakota County Star, publications-\$339.03; Hampton Inn, lodging-\$624.75; Gretchen Hirschbach, prior year service-\$69.24; Martin Hohenstein, mileage-\$308.20; Troy Launsby, mileage-\$288.10; Cherie Conley, mileage-\$296.81; Hampton Inn, lodging-\$374.85; Leaf, copier contract-\$163.47; One Office, toner-\$272.14; US Bank, meal-\$9.62; DAS State Acct, software-\$540.50; Des Moines Stamp, stamper-\$27.10; Stephanie Gatzemeyer, mileage-\$313.66; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$68.50; Hampton Inn, lodging-\$374.85; MIPS, software-\$1,036.68; NACT, dues-\$75.00; One Office, supplies-\$1,567.09; Security Shredding, shredding-\$40.00; US Bank, gas-\$20.00; Mark Dorecy, annual prior year service-\$46.16; Margie Rahn, prior year service-\$12.00; Cardinal Assessment, building permits, sales reviews-\$20,650.00; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$284.18; Marshall & Swift, res books-\$503.95; MIPS, software-\$1,946.80; NE Assoc of Co Assessors, dues-\$100.00; Stanard Appraisal, residential reval-\$18,766.00; Scott Bousquet, mileage, meeting-\$17.01; Ron Collins, mileage, meeting-\$34.69; Tim Decker, mileage, meeting-\$55.73; Ron Gill, mileage, meeting-\$41.26; Jolene Gubbels, setup meetings-\$100.00; Gordon Hegge, mileage, meeting-\$47.42; Leaf, copier contract-\$103.00; Steven Lieber, mileage, meeting-\$27.06; Dick McCabe, mileage, meeting-\$65.64; Harold Moes, mileage, meeting-\$48.76; One Office, copies-\$24.72; Martin Rohde, mileage, meeting-\$25.72; RTI, IT support-\$5,319.20; CDC Association, dues-\$50.00; Dakota Co District Court, deposit slips-\$105.07; Janet Engel, annual prior year service-\$34.62; Hampton Inn, lodging-\$249.90; Leaf, copier contract-\$94.03; MIPS, software-\$793.33; US Bank, meals-\$39.03; Des Moines Stamp, stamper pads-\$95.10; Marco, copier contract-\$359.87; Microfilm Imaging, scanning-\$153.00; Security Shredding, shredding-\$80.00; US Bank, supplies, misc-\$402.19; Perla Alarcon-Flory, interpreter fee-\$225.00; US Bank, dues-\$393.00; Dakota County Court, court cost-\$1,221.40; Dakota County Sheriff, papers, warrants-\$330.70; District Court, court fees-\$436.00; Egley Fullner Montag Morland, atty fees-\$869.55; Randy Hisey, atty fees-\$760.00; Kate M Jorgensen, atty fees-\$6,580.96; Stuart Mills, atty fees-\$818.75; Security Shredding, shredding-\$40.00; Richard Thrammer, atty fees-\$1,140.00; Robert Wichser, atty fees-\$6,387.55; Berkins Fire & Safety, annual maintenance-\$207.65; City of Dakota City, utilities-\$199.42; Eakes, janitorial supplies-\$665.68; G&R Control, building service-\$990.14; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$215.05; Menards, building tools & supplies-\$132.06; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$1,092.98; NPPD, utilities-\$1,421.55; One Office, supplies-\$35.05; Robertson, tractor repairs-\$549.15; Schumacher Elevator, annual elevator maintenance-\$2,374.56; Rodney Soole, mileage-\$25.20; Tremby, pest control-\$55.00; Wilmes, supplies-\$2.76; Angela Abts, mileage-\$383.91; Dakota County Star, publications-\$12.61; Leaf, copier contract-\$129.90; One Office, copier contract-\$543.60; PMRNRD, monthly rent-\$750.00; So Sioux City Chamber of Commerce, dues-\$90.00; Patricia Stingley, annual prior year service-\$103.86; Arthur Gallapher Risk, notary bonds-\$100.00; AT&T, phones-\$600.60; AutoZone, supplies-\$352.29; Billion, vehicle repair-\$331.78; Linda Carson, prior year service-\$11.00; City of So Sioux City, fuel-\$5,126.48; Fremont Tire, tire repair-\$1,608.14; HNH Auto Repair, vehicle repair-\$1,194.74; Jack's Uniforms, uniforms-\$1,032.20; MOCIC, annual fee-\$150.00; Shane's Towing, towing-\$250.00; TransUnion Risk, searches-\$120.00; US Bank, LE supplies, fuel, uniforms, misc-\$1,982.56; James Wagner, annual prior year service-

\$46.16; Menards, shelves-\$268.00; Nebraska.gov, certified records-\$24.50; Security Shredding, shredding-\$120.00; US Bank, phones-\$87.12; City of So Sioux City, LEC cost shares-\$51,735.36; AT&T, phones-\$47.04; Charm-Tex, prisoner supplies-\$813.76; City of Dakota City, utilities-\$2,747.90; City of So Sioux City, fuel-\$218.58; Diamond Drug, inmate supplies-\$1,610.38; Drain Specialist, building repair-\$200.00; Eakes, prisoner & janitorial supplies, mics-\$2,113.03; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$339.55; GRP, disposals-\$53.00; Guarantee Roofing, jail roofing repair-\$600.00; Hobart Sales & Serv, dishwasher basket-\$300.00; Hot Water, plumbing parts-\$3,380.16; Jack's Uniforms, uniforms-\$495.50; McKesson Medical, medical supplies-\$1,140.20; Menards, building supplies-\$59.35; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$1,974.21; NPPD, utilities-\$2,383.64; Plumbing Pros, toilet repairs-\$276.00; R Rohan Electric, install body scanner-\$595.26; Security Shredding, shredding-\$40.00; Siouxland FCU, hinges, interest-\$381.68; St. Lukes Dept. of Lab Services, inmate labs-\$99.59; St. Lukes Regional Medical Center, prisoner medical-\$301.50; Summit Food, food & beverages-\$28,505.18; Trembly, pest control-\$100.00; US Bank, medical, janitorial & office supplies, repairs-\$1,875.38; Wells Fargo, copier lease-\$508.19; Wilmes Hardware, supplies-\$49.96; WITCC, first aid training-\$52.00; Dodge County, quarterly county billing-\$14,314.44; Hampton Inn, lodging-\$374.85; US Bank, meals-\$24.24; Verizon, phones-\$42.94; Hampton Inn, lodging-\$374.85; Scott Stolze, mileage-\$284.08; US Bank, meals-\$68.52; Verizon, phones-\$43.03; Availity, medical billing-\$128.75; Gloria Dwyer, annual prior year service-\$11.54; Marco Technologies, copier contract-\$280.96; US Bank, supplies-\$177.13; Dr Thomas Wentz, consulting fee-\$250.00; Nicholas Nieman, mileage-\$464.00; US Bank, supplies-\$76.47; US Bank, online legal research-\$393.00; Bort Auto Body, FBI reimbursed county for deductible-\$2,500.00; Cray Huff Law Firm, employee dispute investigation-\$3,775.50; DAS State Acct, payroll/acct payable-\$150.00; Electronic Engineering, monitoring-\$29.95; F&M Bank, services fees-\$59.02; Groves Emergency Lighting, new vehicle equipment-\$9,346.00; Im On, phones-\$662.31; MercyOne, monthly EAP-\$234.84; MIPS, payroll/acct payable, checks, W2s-\$1,223.51; Norm Waitt, membership-\$143.50; Quadiant Leasing, property tax recovery-\$107.65; Region IV Inc, services for developmentally disabled-\$5,320.25; US Bank, misc, supplies-\$530.07; Waterbury Funeral, cremation-\$1,800.00; General Fund Transfer, inter fund transfers-\$17,200.00; **Road Fund:** Anderson Ford of Lincoln, pickup-\$62,552.00; Backus Sand & Gravel, gravel-\$5,327.84; Blackstrap Inc, chemical salt-\$6,423.30; Bosselman Pump & Pantry, fuel-\$3,302.25; Dakota County Star, publications-\$13.11; Gary Backhaus Gravel, gravel-\$7,046.08; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$144.36; H204U, water-\$52.00; Heavy Metal Repair, parts, labor-\$9,524.66; J&J's Pronto, fuel-\$49.00; J&M Repair, parts, labor-\$754.49; K&K Hubbard Mart, fuel-\$498.98; Matheson, oxy/acetylene-\$2,564.17; Richard McNear, annual prior year service-\$57.70; Arnie Mellick, prior year service-\$13.00; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$500.72; Midwest Svc & Sales, blades-bits-\$3,119.84; Miller Tire, tires-\$64.00; NPPD, utilities-\$111.61; North American Truck & Trailer, parts-\$24.70; Northeast NE Telephone, phone-\$121.30; Northeast Power, utilities-\$488.95; O'Reilly Auto Parts, supplies-\$8.67; Tanya Orr, reimbursement-\$110.00; Power Plan, parts, labor-\$1,074.50; RC Customs, steel shoes for v plows-\$1,402.47; US Bank, parts, cdl drug testing, misc-\$823.10; Verizon Connect, GPS-\$471.70; Verizon Wireless, phones-\$41.65; Village of Emerson, utilities-\$41.65; Wilmes, supplies-\$34.72; Ziegler's, supplies, parts, labor-\$7,752.84; **Visitor Promo:** SSC Chamber of Commerce, visitor promo-\$23,356.59; **P&M Fund:** Microfilm Imaging, scanning-\$210.00; MIPS, software-\$616.23; **Health Grant 2504:** Heartland Counseling Services, wellness for schools-\$3,300.00; US Bank, supplies, website-\$1,453.11; Verizon, phones-\$82.95; 2507 **Juvenile Grant 2507:** Community Monitoring, family support-\$427.00; **DCHD Covid fund 2508:** Ford Motor Credit, lease payment-\$912.16; US Bank, phones-\$102.94; **ARPA Fund:** Albireo Energy, smoke evac system-\$62,831.00; American Underground Supply, road dept project M ave ditches-\$7,040.00; Claypool Bros, new door for old firehall-\$1,950.00; Curry Floor, ROD flooring-\$3,228.00; DSG-Sioux City, plastic culverts-\$18,000.00; Knife River, gravel-\$16,395.94; One Office, county clerk office furniture-\$9,100.00; Plumbing Pros, install new water lines in jail-\$4,747.07; Steffen Truck Equip, saltlogg-\$7,750.00; Triview Comm, road dept camera-\$3,937.50; **E911:** City of So Sioux City, E911 2 Qrt monies-\$6,257.97; **Public Safety 2960:** RFD Sales Tax, tax month-\$37,776.90

Board Chair Hohenstein made the following appointments for members/employees/public to serve on the following boards and working committees:

DAKOTA COUNTY	2025
<b>*Appointments of Advisors to Various Boards</b>	
Area Agency for Aged Advisory Board (3-yr term to 24-25-26)	Shawna Messerlie
Area Agency on Aging Governing Board	Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos
County Health Board	Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos
Dakota County Public Safety Services Agency Governing Board (Resolution)	Jeff Reed
Goldenrod Regional Housing Agency (formerly NE Nebr Joint Housing Agency)	Joe O'Neill
Northstar (formerly Region IV Developmental Disabilities)	Jeff Reed
Planning & Zoning	Rick Bousquet
R C & D (Nebraska Loess Hills Resource Conservation & Development Council)	Brian Van Berkum
Region 4 Behavioral Health Services Board	Martin Hohenstein
SIMPCO Board of Directors	Brian Van Berkum
SIMPCO Transportation MPO Policy Board	Brian Van Berkum

<b>Appoint Members to serve on Working Committees Name of working committee</b>	<b>2025</b>
Americans w/ Disabilities Act (ADA)	Kim Watson, County Attorney
Civil Defense/(LEPC,PEP)	Brian Van Berkum
Dakota County Rural Economic Development	Rick Bousquet
Emergency Closings	Kleinberg/Hohenstein/Reed
Finance & Budget	Martin Hohenstein & Rick Bousquet
Growing Community Connections	Brian Van Berkum
Highway 35 Committee	Jeff Reed
KNNB (Keep Northeast Nebraska Beautiful)	Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos
LEC (Law Enforcement Center) Joint Board	Rick Bousquet /Jeff Reed / At Large Randy Groetken
Legislative	Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos
Merit Commission	Jeff Reed
Personnel/Policies	Martin Hohenstein & Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos
Press Committee	Martin Hohenstein & Cherie Conley
Property/Space Utilization	Brian Van Berkum & Rick Bousquet
Road Committee	Brian Van Berkum & Jeff Reed
Safety	Brian Van Berkum & Jeff Reed
Storm Water Advisory Board	Rick Bousquet
Veterans Oversight Committee	Martin Hohenstein

Angela Abts, Nebraska Extension Office-Dakota County, along with Julie Boyle, Amy Topp and Lynn Stolze presented the 2024 Annual Report and describes some of the many projects they do throughout the county. The Board thanked the Extension staff.

Brett Langley, Civil Engineering Construction, reported to the Board that the Likuwanta Drive project is mostly complete and came in under budget. The issue with the waterlines is ongoing and a resolution needs to be discussed. During the engineering phase the water and sewer lines were found to be under the county road and/or in the county ROW. After the road and ditches were constructed it was found that the water lines were not deep enough. The County Road Department did place dirt back on top of the water lines to keep them from freezing. Commissioner Hohenstein mentioned that he has had a conversation with Lance Oelrich with the Rural Water Department and they are planning to replace the waterlines but not sure when. Mr. Langley reported that the water lines wind all over the place and are hard to trace and Rural Water did not have a map of the lines. Mr. Langley is requesting that Steve Harris Construction be paid the final payment. Relocating the waterlines in the Spring will need to be addressed and resolution as to how this is done and who is responsible for the financial portion will need to be decided. Commissioner Hohenstein suggested waiting until further discussion with Rural Water was had to see their plans. Commissioner Bousquet moved, seconded by Commissioner Hohenstein to move forward with paying Steve Harris Construction the final payment. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez, to approve Resolution 25C-001 to make the appointment of the County representative to the governing board of the Dakota County Public Safety Services Agency as Commissioner Jeff Reed. ROLL CALL VOTE: Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION 25C-001  
RESOLUTION OF APPOINTMENT**

**DAKOTA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES AGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, Dakota County (County) has an Interlocal Cooperation Act Agreement with the Dakota County Public Safety Services Agency (Agency), and;

**WHEREAS**, a resolution of appointment is required to appoint a County representative to the governing board of the Agency.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners for Dakota County, Nebraska, to appoint Jeff Reed, an elected and currently serving official of the County, to serve as the County representative on the governing board of the Agency.

Passed and approved this 21st day of January, 2025.

Stephanie Gatzemeyer, Treasurer, presented the semi-annual report showing receipts and disbursements of the Treasurer's Office for the last preceding six months ending December 31, 2024. §33-117(3)

Commissioner Rodriguez moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to appoint Daniel Rohde to the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments. ROLL CALL VOTE: Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-No. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Bousquet moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to advertise for both Road Department positions, Road Foreman and Weed/Sign employee, in the Dakota County Star, County Website and Indeed. Taking application until the positions are filled. The interview committee will consist of Commissioners Van Berkum and Reed, Highway Superintendent, and a member of the County Attorney's office. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, presented the Bi-weekly Road Report for January 5, 2025 to January 18, 2025. Total Road Maintenance - 48.5 hours; tree/debris removal – 2 hours; salt and sand hauling – 21 hours; snow removal – 11 hours; gravel hauling – 65 hours; total tons hauled – 88.49. Road concerns: Grading – 230<sup>th</sup> St, O Ave, 240<sup>th</sup> St.

Elisabet DeRoin presented the Board with the Quarterly Jail Report for October, November, and December 2024. 2023/2024 Fiscal Average: Inmates per day: County-97, Federal-14, Juveniles-0, Total In-House-111. Federal Income: Fiscal Marshalls - \$212,173.23, ICE - \$6,334.90, OMMS/SDMS - \$800.00 (2024 Calendar Federal: \$416,299.47). Fiscal County Contracts: \$110.00. The jail is at 46% of the total estimated yearly budget or 7% under budget for the fiscal year.

Board designated March 10, 2025 for the Joint City/County/School Annual meeting and Chair Hohenstein and Commissioner Van Berkum volunteered to help organize. Chair Hohenstein will check with the Dakota City Fire Department to see if they would be interested in letting us host in their facility and provide the meal.

Commissioner Committee Reports: Chair Hohenstein reported that he attended the Region IV meeting and is on their advisory Board.

Mail and/or Emergency Business: None

Commissioners all went on the quarterly jail tour pursuant to 47-109.

Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Reed, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of January 21, 2025, at 4:50 p.m.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

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Martin Hohenstein Chair

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Cherie Conley, County Clerk/Secretary