

Dakota County Board of Commissioners  
Monday, July 21, 2025  
3:00 p.m. Regular 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. 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. 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.
2. 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 meeting minutes – July 7, 2025
  - b. Approval of payroll for July 6, 2025 to July 19, 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 Sheriff and Jail Quarterly Reports for April to June, 2025.
3. NEW BUSINESS AND RESOLUTIONS
  - a. Stephanie Gatzemeyer, Treasurer, requesting Chair to sign the Semi-annual Statement for January 1 to June 30, 2025, showing amount and source of money collected since last settlement, vouchers, amount of taxes due and unpaid and money on hand. §23-1605, §77-1745
  - b. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, present and submit a written road study for the vacation or abandonment of road: At intersection of S Avenue and 207<sup>th</sup> Street - starting at S Avenue and going west to dead end approximately .265 miles in Section 27, Township 28N, Range 6E, Dakota County, Nebraska.
  - c. Approve Resolution 25C-018 to Set Date and Time for Public Hearing to Vacate or Abandon Road: At intersection of S Avenue and 207<sup>th</sup> Street - starting at S Avenue and go west to dead end approximately .265 miles in Section 27, Township 28N, Range 6E, Dakota County, Nebraska.
  - d. Approve Resolution 25C-019 Certificate of Completion of the Program Agreement for STOP Sign Grant between Dakota County and State of Nebraska upgrading existing Stop signs and/or Stop ahead signs on rural roads in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.
  - e. Approve Resolution 25C-020 Declare Personal Surplus Property as obsolete and dispose of per §23-3115 with Big Iron.
  - f. Board to review and award bid for 152<sup>nd</sup> Street Repair between Highway 110 and Highway 20.
  - g. Board to review and award bid for North Bluff Road panel repairs.
4. OLD BUSINESS AND MISCELLANEOUS
  - a. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent – Road Report
  - b. Sheriff Kleinberg / Captain Elisabet DeRoin – Jail Quarterly Report (April, May, June 2025)
  - c. Board shall make quarterly visit to county jail. §47-109
5. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
6. MAIL AND/OR EMERGENCY BUSINESS
7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hohenstein called for Public Comment. Lou Franco, So Sioux City NE, commented on her opinion of a proper dress code. Judy Yandell, So Sioux City NE, commented that she is not happy with solar farms going in next to her property. Chair Hohenstein informed there will be an informational public meeting regarding the solar farms on July 30<sup>th</sup> at Cottonwood Inn. Mike Carnes, SSC Star asked about Hwy 35 project. Ms. Gubbels advised this is a State project and is scheduled to start in the fall of 2026.

Chair Hohenstein called for approval of the consent agenda items. He stated that he had gone through the payroll claims and the accounts payable claims. Chair Hohenstein advised that everything was in order. Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve the consent agenda a) Approval of the previous meeting minutes – July 7, 2025; b) Approval of payroll claims for July 6 to July 19, 2025; c) Approval of payroll accounts payable claims; d) Approval of accounts payable claims; e) Approval of Officials Reports-County Clerk, Register of Deeds, and Clerk of District Court and f) Approval of Sheriff and Jail Quarterly Reports for April to

June 2025. ROLL CALL VOTE: Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**Payroll: General Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$187,357.17; Net Pay-\$133,644.75; Total Retirement-\$13,546.32; Total FICA-\$13,862.59; Health Plan-\$44,800.00; Dental Plan-\$1,620.00; Life Insurance-\$214.85; 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-\$1,519.20; Paola Ledesma-\$1,689.60; Kathy Abbe-\$1,502.40; Khen Chu-\$1,300.00; 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-\$1,773.60; 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-\$1,968.00; Tammy Dunn Peterson-\$1,828.84; Angelica Antonio Flores-\$77.28; Shaun Bird-\$2,833.44; Timothy Decker-\$3,233.70; Brian Ellinger-\$2,722.44; Penny Epting-\$2,662.58; Brian Fernau-\$2,468.80; Tyler Fulkerth-\$2,620.35; Jeremy Gilpin-\$0.00; Martin Guerrero-\$3,291.20; Melvin Harrison III-\$3,178.02; Jason James-\$3,352.90; Kimberly Johnson-\$1,033.95; Jared Junge-\$2,548.26; Christopher Kleinberg-\$3,185.79; Jose Magana-\$2,272.22; Keaton Mueller-\$2,254.00; Gregory Nyhof-\$3,149.08; Jonathan Romo-Rodriguez-\$3,331.96; Mardi Schnee-\$1,384.80; Sarah Hammond-\$2,588.01; Shantel Krull-\$1,164.80; Jocelyn Rivera-\$1,567.63; Debra Schmiedt-\$3,910.80; Kimberly Watson-\$3,981.55; Jacob Acero-\$2,168.12; Summer Adair-\$2,059.78; Shaelee Barreras-\$2,625.00; Ismael Castro-\$2,022.78; Timathey Chamberlain-\$1,789.71; Charlotte Coleman-\$2,053.14; Ruby De La Torre-\$1,763.16; Adilene Delgadillo Alvarez-\$1,655.28; Elisabet DeRoin-\$2,346.05; Cody Epting-\$1,748.76; Rebekah Epting-\$1,748.76; Jennifer Fuentes-\$2,039.75; Jonathan Gray-\$2,269.47; Kara Groetken-\$1,875.20; McKenna Hammer-\$2,005.48; Todd Hammer-\$2,516.80; Dustin Johnson-\$1,759.68; Terry Johnson-\$2,746.85; Carol Juarez-\$1,469.50; Brandon Long-\$2,416.93; Jennifer Marquez-\$1,707.02; Skyler Miner-\$1,927.85; Lucas Moulton-\$1,708.56; Kelsey O'Neill-\$1,943.76; Jaime Perez-Rojas-\$833.99; Kimberly Peterson-\$2,035.93; Cesar Ponce Robles-\$2,342.19; Michele Rohde-\$1,893.96; Jeremy Russell-\$1,783.47; Jerry Santos-\$2,453.84; Jennifer Svendsen-\$1,245.30; Armando Valerio-\$1,819.26; Randall Walsh-\$2,662.58; Alondra Zermeno-Mendez-\$2,092.92; Deanna Hagberg-\$2,266.37; Jolene Gubbels-\$2,544.47; Jennifer Ankerstjerne-\$1,557.90; Theresa Grove-\$2,529.60; Johanna Marquez-\$1,331.20; Courtney Swick-\$1,553.28; Nicholas Nieman-\$2,499.89; **General Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$11,988.16; State Tax-\$6,137.33; Soc Sec-\$11,235.05; Medicare-\$2,627.54; Extra Fit-\$1,526.00; Extra Sit-\$505.00; Retirement-\$9,353.38; Health Plan-\$3,550.00; Dental Plan-\$504.00; Colonial Health-\$219.74; Sheriff Union Dues-\$800.00; Colonial Life/Disability-\$202.17; Deferred Comp-\$1,293.00; Garnishments-\$1,756.82; Flex Plan Medical-\$1,073.08; Flex Dependent Care-\$208.33; VSP Vision Prem-\$391.87; Legal Shield-\$128.64; Liberty Nat'l Pretax-\$81.76; Liberty Nat'l Post tax-\$12.27; VSP Vision Base-\$118.28; **Road Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$19,518.62; Net Pay-\$14,466.18; Retirement-\$1,317.49; Total FICA-\$1,465.64; Health Plan-\$5,600.00; Dental Plan-\$200.00; Life Insurance-\$24.61; Tristin Eifert-\$1,153.00; Michael Fuchser-\$1,844.80; Robert Hacker-\$1,960.80; Scott Jorgneson-\$2,448.11; David Kneiff-\$2,186.31; Kimon Litras-\$1,984.80; Tanya Orr-\$1,924.80; Dean Pallas-\$2,246.40; Robert Schmidt-\$1,844.80; Gunner Stanwick-\$1,924.80; **Road Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$1,325.98; State Tax-\$652.02; FICA-\$1,187.83; Medicare-\$277.81; Extra Fit-\$45.00; Retirement-\$878.36; Health Plan-\$200.00; Dental Plan-\$21.00; Colonial Health-PreTax-\$38.23; Garnishments-\$0.00; Flex Plan Medical-\$40.00; Road Union Dues-\$247.50; VSP Vision Prem-\$34.84; Legal Shield-\$77.81; Liberty National PreTax-\$6.50; VSP Vision Base-\$19.56; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,622.40; Net Pay-\$1,222.38; Retirement-\$109.51; Total FICA-\$120.29; Health Plan-\$560.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Chloe Coover-\$1,622.40; **Health Planning Grant Employee 2502:** Federal Tax-\$101.52; State Tax-\$55.20; FICA-\$97.49; Medicare-\$22.80; Retirement-\$73.01; Flex Plan Medical-\$50.00; **Health Program Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,890.94; Net Pay-\$1,486.11; Retirement-\$118.58; Total FICA-\$141.86; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Mohamud Ibrahim-\$134.14; Yesica Saldana Cisneros-\$1,756.80; **Health Program Grant Employee 2504:** Federal Tax-\$98.68; State Tax-\$48.57; FICA-\$114.97; Medicare-\$26.89; Retirement-\$79.06; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Base-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,620.00; Net Pay-\$1,342.76; Retirement-\$109.35; Total FICA-\$121.13; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Kristin Robinette-\$1,620.00; **Juvenile Services Aid Employee 2507:** State Tax-\$46.55; FICA-\$98.17; Medicare-\$22.96; Retirement-\$72.90; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$15.66.

**Payroll Accounts Payable: General Fund:** Collection Service Center, garnishment-\$564.45; Colonial Life & Accident, premiums-\$421.91; Credit Management Services, garnishment-\$171.40; Dakota County Dental, premiums-\$2124.00; FSA Account, premiums Dep Care-\$208.33; FSA, premiums medical-\$1073.08; Dakota County Health Plan, premiums-\$48,350.00; Dakota County Lodge #49, union dues-\$800.00; F&M Bank, correcting payment to Menards-\$36.99; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$13,514.16; Globe Life Liberty, premiums-\$94.03; Hawkeye Adjustment Services, garnishment-\$254.36; Legalshield, premiums-\$128.64; Dakota County Life Insurance, premium-\$214.85; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, contributions-\$1293.00; Nebraska Child Support, garnishments-\$766.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$6642.33; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$22,899.70; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$27,725.18; VSP, premiums-\$510.15. **Road Fund:** Colonial Life & Accident, premiums-\$38.23; Dakota County Dental, premiums-\$221.00; FSA, premiums medical-\$40.00; Dakota County Health Plan, premiums-\$5800.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$1,370.98; Globe Life Liberty, premiums-\$6.50; Legalshield, premiums-\$77.81; Dakota County Life Insurance, premium-\$24.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$652.02; Nebraska Public Employee Local 251, union dues-\$247.50; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$2195.85; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$2931.28; VSP, premiums-\$54.40. **Insurance Fund 1275:** Point C Auto Withdrawals, medical claims-\$41,763.84; **Health Fund 2502:** FSA, premiums medical-\$50.00; Dakota County Health Plan, premiums-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$101.52; Dakota

County Life Insurance, premiums-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$55.20; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$182.52; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$240.58; **Health Fund 2504:** Dakota County Dental, premiums-\$41.00; Dakota County Health Plan, premiums-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$98.68; Dakota County Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$48.57; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$197.64; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$283.72; VSP, premiums-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Fund 2507:** Dakota County Dental, premiums-\$41.00; Dakota County Life Insurance, premiums-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$46.55; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$182.25; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$242.26; VSP, premiums-\$15.66.

**Accounts Payable: General Fund:** Dakota County Star, publications-\$836.21; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$142.59; One Office, office supplies-\$44.43; Security Shredding, shredding documents-\$40.00; DAS State Acct, state printers/tech fees-\$184.00; Eakes, floors mats-\$634.40; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$64.00; MIPS, state printers software-\$1,101.13; Loffler, lanier contract-\$677.24; Margie Rahn, prior year service-\$12.00; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$284.18; MIPS, state software-\$2,039.95; Security Shredding, shredding documents-\$40.00; Secreatry of State, voter cc cards-\$30.00; Dakota County Star, publications-\$16.14; Marco, copier contract-\$10.00; US Bank, postage-\$7.37; RTI, IT support-\$5,355.20; A.J. Phillips, printed envelopes-\$385.00; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$158.95; MIPS, state software-\$70.00; Security Shredding, shredding documents-\$40.00; DAS State Acct, office depot-\$395.16; Marco, copier contract-\$367.87; Microfilm Imaging, scanning-\$153.00; US Bank, office supplies-\$91.50; Perla Alarcon-Flory, interpreter fees-\$375.00; Leaf, copier contract-\$360.04; One Office, office supplies, copier-\$397.74; US Bank, office supplies-\$36.94; Cray Huff Law, atty fees-\$95.00; Dakota County Court, court cost-\$1,283.00; Dakota County Sheriff, papers, warrants-\$557.64; District Court, court fees-\$582.00; Galyen Boellcher Baier PC, atty fees-\$2,808.40; Camilla Holthe, witness fee, mileage-\$24.90; Madison County Sheriff, sheriff fees-\$30.41; Stuart Mills, atty fees-\$2,372.90; Runge Law Office, atty fees-\$1,900.00; Robert Wichser, atty fees-\$4,356.59; Bekins Fire & Safety Serv, extinguisher services-\$230.95; City of Dakota City, utilities-\$213.50; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$240.75; Menards, building & ground supplies-\$69.64; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$620.87; NPPD, utilities-\$1,433.77; Robertson, blades-\$18.00; Smiths Plumbing, building repair in health dept-\$200.32; Rodney Soole, mileage-\$56.21; Trembly, pest control-\$55.00; US Bank, fuel-\$47.50; Wilmes, tools-\$29.94; Brent Waldman, building repair-\$264.00; Angela Abts, mileage-\$512.73; Julie Boyle, mileage-\$227.36; Dakota County Star, publications-\$11.09; Leaf, copier contract-\$237.68; One Office, copier contract-\$146.09; PMRNRD, monthly rent-\$750.00; US Bank, subscriptions, misc-\$273.15; Arms Unlimited, law enforcement clothing & supplies-\$6,980.00; Axon, cartridges-\$6,690.00; Billion, vehicle repair-\$1,799.59; Linda Carson, prior year service-\$11.00; City of So Sioux City, fuel-\$5,381.32; Electronic Engineering, radio repair-\$744.95; Fremont Tire, vehicle repair-\$734.86; Holiday Inn Express, lodging-\$330.00; Jack's Uniforms, uniforms-\$2,484.48; Leads Online, investigation system-\$3,106.00; N.L.E.T.C, training-\$150.00; Physicians Laboratory, coroner-\$50.00; Sentinel Supply, holsters-\$154.50; TransUnion Risk & Alternative, search services-\$129.00; Uline, furniture-\$1,874.14; US Bank, uniforms, law enforcement supplies, fuel-\$5,117.02; Marco, copier contract-\$224.16; Nebraska.gov, records-\$49.00; Security Shredding, shredding documents-\$40.00; US Bank, phones-\$72.22; Kim Watson, mileage-\$107.80; City of So Sioux City, LEC cost shares-\$51,735.36; Jack's Uniforms, safety equipment-\$1,613.72; Ace/Refrigeration, sink faucet repair-\$92.00; Cardis Fence & Iron, privacy slats-\$65.49; Charm-Tex, inmate supplies-\$858.16; City of Dakota City, utilities-\$5,659.90; City of So Sioux City, fuel-\$1,138.33; Claypool Brothers, lobby door repair-\$3,120.00; Dakota County Jail, fuel on transport-\$20.00; Diamond Drug, inmate supplies-\$2,063.28; Eakes, inmate & janitorial supplies-\$3,801.63; Fremont Tire, vehicle repair-\$830.75; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$380.25; GRP, disposals-\$133.00; Guarantee Roofing, jail roof repair-\$598.25; H204U, repair water softner-\$85.00; Hobart Sales & Services, skillet parts, issues-\$791.06; Hot Water Products, plumbing parts-\$369.33; Idemia Identity & Security, livescan service agreement-\$3,257.00; MidAmerican Energy, utilites-\$396.59; MLB Health, medical fees-\$5,000.00; NPPD, utilities-\$4,457.51; Security Shredding, shredding documents-\$40.00; Summit Food, food & beverages-\$29,368.93; Thurston County Sheriff, inmate housed in Thurston-\$5,280.00; Trembly, pest control-\$100.00; US Bank, meical, inmate, and janitorial supplies, meals, fuel-\$1,803.66; Wells Fargo, copier lease-\$523.92; Dodge County Clerk, probation qrtly bill-\$14,314.44; City of So Sioux City, fuel-\$75.66; US Bank, feeding those who helped with cimmarina boat fire-\$68.79; US Bank, meal-\$10.91; Verizon, phones-\$42.93; NE Weed Constrol Assoc., dues-\$150.00; Verizon, phone-\$43.02; Availity, medical billing-\$132.61; Ford Motor Cerdit, pickup lease payment-\$912.16; Marco, copier contract-\$309.05; US Bank, office supplies, fuel, dues-\$449.78; Thomas Wente, consulting fee-\$250.00; John Gunia, grave markers-\$200.00; CVSOAN, workshop-\$60.00; Nicholas Nieman, mileage-\$436.10; US Bank, online legal research-\$386.00; DAS State Acct, payroll/acct payable-\$150.00; DHHS, general assistance cases, annual agreement-\$6,845.13; Electronic Engineering, panic button-\$29.95; F&M Bank, service fees on old AP acct-\$58.32; Helvig Agricultural Service, data collection, analysis, protest hearings-\$875.00; Im On, phones-\$745.28; Innovative Appraisal Service, data collection, analysis, protest hearings-\$5,225.00; Lutz & Company, preliminary budget calculations-\$4,220.00; MercyOne, monthly EAP-\$234.84; MIPS, payroll/acct payable-\$670.71; One Office, copy paper-\$2,116.00; Region IV, services for the developmentally disabled-\$5,320.25; SIMPCO, dues-\$4,637.70; Siouxland Regional Transit, bus service-\$15,000.00; Triview Communications, programming-\$64.50; US Bank, postage, weathertech-\$1,428.28; US Postal, postage-\$4,000.00; **Road Fund:** Backus Sand & Gravel, grvael-\$16,309.23; Bomgaars, parts-\$343.91; Bosselman Pump & Pantry, fuel-\$8,254.47; Boyer Sand & Rock Inc, gravel-\$19,126.24; Michael Fucsher, CDL reimbursement-\$17.00; Gary Backhaus Gravel, gravel-\$9,970.92; H204U, water-\$58.00; Heartland Tire, tires-\$522.51; Hefner Oil & Feed Co, fuel-\$462.35; J&J's Pronto, fuel-\$47.70; K&K Hubbard Mart, fuel-\$175.01; Knoepfler, parts-\$3,527.17; Arnie Mellick, prior year service-\$13.00; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$10.50; Midwest Wheel, supplies, tools-\$639.37; NPPD, utilities-\$101.91; Northeast NE Telephone, phones-\$111.26; Northeast Power, utilities-

\$364.55; Power Plan, labor, parts-\$1,583.57; RC Customs, parts, labor-\$1,080.12; Robertson, parts, labor-\$193.64; Sapp Bros, fuel, supplies-\$2,366.70; Robert Schmidt, clothing allowance-\$51.35; Sioux City Truck Sales, supplies-\$263.31; Stan Houston, asphalt-\$947.50; Stephan Welding, parts, labor-\$165.00; Straight-line Striping, pavement markings-\$14,725.75; Triview Communications, remote inot camera-\$175.00; UnityPoint Clinic OC Med, drug testing-\$32.00; US Bank, supplies, misc, radio equipment-\$438.82; Verizon Connect, GPS-\$468.70; Verizon Wireless, phones-\$42.93; Village of Emerson, utilities-\$47.35; Warren Oil, diesel-\$6,577.30; Wilmes, supplies-\$151.90; **Visitor Promo:** SSC Chamber of Commerce, visitor promo-\$24,409.48; **P&M Fund:** Microfilm Imaging, scanning-\$210.00; MIPS, state software-\$630.75; **Health Grant 2502:** US Bank, phones, supplies, misc-\$907.01; **2504 Health Grant:** Heartland Counseling Service, counseling-\$3,300.00; US Bank, gift cards, website, misc-\$3,224.90; Verizon, phones-\$82.94; **2507 Juvenile Grant:** Owens Educational Service, electronic monitoring-\$1,712.91; US Bank, gift cards-\$200.00; **Inheritance Tax Fund 2700:** Ginger L Gill, correcting an error that occurred in treasurers dept-\$439.52; **E911 Services:** City of So Sioux City, E911 qrtly monies-\$7,152.25; **Public Safety 2960:** RFD Sales Tax, tax month-\$36,655.37.

Commissioner Bousquet moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve the Semi-Annual Statement for January 1 to June 30, 2025, showing amount and source of money collected since last settlement, vouchers, amount of taxes due and unpaid and money on hand presented by Treasurer, Stephanie Gatzemeyer pursuant to §23-1605, §77-1745. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, presented a written road study for the vacation or abandonment of road: At intersection of S Avenue and 207<sup>th</sup> Street - starting at S Avenue and going west to dead end approximately .265 miles in Section 27, Township 28N, Range 6E, Dakota County, Nebraska. There has been an easement filed so no one is landlocked. Closing this minimum maintenance road will help maintain the county road because when it rains, mud from the minimum maintenance road would run across the county road.

Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Bousquet to approve Resolution 25C-018 to Set Date and Time for Public Hearing to Vacate or Abandon Road: At intersection of S Avenue and 207<sup>th</sup> Street - starting at S Avenue and go west to dead end approximately .265 miles in Section 27, Township 28N, Range 6E, Dakota County, Nebraska for August 18, 2025 at 3:01 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION 25C-018**  
**A RESOLUTION TO SET DATE AND TIME FOR PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TO VACATE OR ABANDON A PUBLIC ROAD**

WHEREAS, Sec. 39-1722 Nebr. R.R.S., 1943, makes provisions for a county Board of Commissioners as to the vacation or abandonment of public roads in its county; and

WHEREAS, a clear and unambiguous description of the roads to be relocated, vacated or abandoned, is as follows, to-wit:

At intersection of S Avenue and 207<sup>th</sup> Street - starting at S Avenue and going west to dead end approximately .265 miles in Section 27, Township 28N, Range 6E, Dakota County, Nebraska.

WHEREAS, by action of the Dakota County Board of Commissioners on June 9, 2025, Dakota County Highway Superintendent Jolene Gubbels was directed to perform a study and report to the Board as provided by the laws of the State of Nebraska; and,

WHEREAS on July 9, 2025, Highway Superintendent Gubbels submitted a written report to the Board with the following findings and recommends to vacate the described road and relinquish the right-of-way back to the adjacent landowners.

1. The portion of road that the County desires to vacate is a minimum maintenance road that ends and becomes field and pasture. Said public road is not used by the public and is of no value to the public, and it therefore serves no purpose for it to remain open to the public.
2. By vacating the aforementioned road, liability can and will be reduced for the County.
3. Land is owned by Daniel L and Lori A Gentrup, Trustees on both sides of road on the east end. The road leads back to a parcel owned by another party, Lewis D Gutzmann et al on the west end. Daniel L and Lori A Gentrup have provided an ingress egress easement to Lewis D Gutzmann et al to access their parcel. As a result, it does not appear that vacating said road will land lock any landowners in the sections.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, that the matter of vacation or abandonment of said road shall be advertised for three consecutive weeks (July 31, August 7, 14) and set for public hearing on August 18, 2025, at 3:01 p.m. in the Dakota County Commissioners Board meeting room, Dakota City, Nebraska.

Resolved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2025.

Commissioner Reed moved, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez to approve Resolution 25C-019 Certificate of Completion of the Program Agreement for STOP Sign Grant between Dakota County and State of Nebraska upgrading existing Stop signs and/or Stop ahead signs on rural roads in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement. ROLL CALL VOTE: Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

#### RESOLUTION 25C-019

##### CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION – STATEWIDE UPGRADING EXISTING STOP SIGN LOCATIONS OF RURAL ROADS

Whereas: Dakota County and State entered into an agreement “Statewide Upgrading Existing STOP Sign Locations of Rural Roads” (Program Agreement) for installation of STOP and/or STOP Ahead signing devices on county roads (the Project). Agreement Number BM2308 executed on October 19, 2023, and the purchase and installation of STOP and STOP Ahead sign devices. The project purchased the signs, and it is responsibility of the County to install all devices.

Whereas: the Dakota County Highway Superintendent has informed the Board that the Project has been completed by the County in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.

Whereas: the Program Agreement requires that the County Board certify to State that the Project has been properly completed.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Dakota County:

- (1) Installation of STOP and STOP Ahead signing has been completed by the County in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.

County Board Chair is hereby authorized to sign the attached Certificate of Completion between the Nebraska Department of Transportation and the County.

NDOT Project Number: HSIP-STWD(203)

NDOT Control Number: 01063

NDOT Project Description: Statewide Upgrading Existing STOP Sign Locations of Rural Roads

Adopted this 21st day of July, 2025 at Dakota City, Nebraska.

Lou Franco questioned the process for Road Surplus Sale and the sale of 2 salvaged vehicles. Chair Hohenstein clarified the sales were done separately and approved by the Board. Commissioner Bousquet moved, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez to approve Resolution 25C-020 Declare Personal Surplus Property as obsolete and dispose of per §23-3115 with Big Iron. (1986 Chevrolet Swat Van, 2006 Sterling Dump Truck and snowplow, 2000 Chevrolet Crew Cab pickup, 2004 Chevrolet Silverado 4 door). ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

#### RESOLUTION 25C-020

##### RESOLUTION TO DECLARE

##### MOBILE EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the County owns mobile equipment which has a value of less than seven thousand dollars and which is not usable by the County and/or obsolete; and

WHEREAS, said mobile equipment consists of the following property:

1986 Chevrolet Swat Van

2006 Sterling Dump Truck and snowplow steel

2000 Chevrolet Crew Cab pickup

2004 Chevrolet Silverado 4 door extended cab pickup

WHEREAS, the County intends to dispose of said property as surplus pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute 23-3115 and shall be sold by competitive bidding.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT the mobile equipment listed is unusable by the County and/or obsolete and is therefore declared surplus property.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Highway Superintendent be directed to coordinate disposal of said property in accordance with the laws of the State of Nebraska.

DATED this 21st day of July, 2025.

Commissioner Bousquet left the meeting at 3:16 p.m.

Board reviewed bids for 152<sup>nd</sup> Street Repair between Highway 110 and Highway 20 from Frank’s Asphalt for \$35,625 and Knife River for \$64,513.96. Chair Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve and award the bid for 152<sup>nd</sup> Street Repair between Highway 110 and Highway 20 to Frank’s Asphalt for \$35,625 with work to begin August 1, 2025. ROLL CALL VOTE: Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Absent, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Board review bids for North Bluff Road panel repairs from Gill Construction Inc for \$41,691.50 and Concrete Plus, Inc. for \$53,114.00. Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve and award the bid for North Bluff Road panel repairs to Gill Construction Inc. for \$41,691.50. ROLL CALL VOTE: Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Absent, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, presented the Bi-weekly Road Report from July 6 to July 19, 2025. Total Road Maintenance – 216 hours; Overtime hours - 24; Tree/Debris Removal – 7 hours; Bridge Maintenance – 4 hours; Gravel hauling – 172.5 hours; 491.71 tons rock hauled into yard, 372.05 tons gravel hauled into yard, 1170.83 tons material hauled on roads; Sign Repair – 103 hours. Road concerns: Grading-Hamlin Ave, 175<sup>th</sup> St, 230<sup>th</sup> St, Knox Blvd, 110<sup>th</sup> St; Gravel-Hamlin Ave, 175<sup>th</sup> St, 230<sup>th</sup> St, Kenesaw, Lutton Ave. Commissioner Reed asked about grading districts. Gubbels advised there are 7 districts. Road dept has 2 new hires (weed and shop) and setting up NIRMA training.

Captain Elisabet DeRoin gave the quarterly report for the jail for April, May, and June.

Commissioner Committee Reports: None

Mail and/or Emergency Business: Commissioner received a letter from Dennis Beekman regarding the solar project.

Chair Hohenstein, Commissioners Reed, Rodriguez, and Van Berkum made the quarterly visit to the county jail.

Commissioner Van Berkum moved to adjourn the meeting. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of July 21, 2025, at 3:54 p.m.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

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Martin Hohenstein Chair

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Cherie Conley, County Clerk/Secretary