

JERAULD COUNTY MINUTES
UNAPPROVED

The Jerauld County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 4th, 2025, at 9:00 am. Chairperson DeVonne Losing called the meeting to order with Commissioner Charles Bergeleen, Commissioner Walter Hein, Commissioner Fred Krohmer, and Commissioner Shane Mentzer in attendance. States Attorney Dedrich Koch was also present.

Chairperson Losing led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Mentzer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the agenda.

Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the minutes of the February 4th regular meeting.

Auditor's Account with Treasurer: County Funds – \$5,615,516.95; Funded Depreciation (for Hospital use only) - \$3,478,532.68; Ambulance Fund - \$50,709.76; Custodial Funds - \$246,318.20 = \$9,391,077.59 total.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Mentzer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to allow the following claims:

REPORT: Wheel Tax Paid Cities- \$1,659.24; Townships- \$5,333.62

PAYROLL:	Commissioners	\$3,594.90
	Auditor/Election	\$6,798.75
	Treasurer	\$6,899.98
	States Attorney	\$5,739.02
	Government Buildings	\$4,089.70
	Director of Equalization	\$4,441.19
	Register of Deeds	\$4,582.05
	Sheriff	\$21,706.49
	Extension	\$1,910.80
	Weed	\$839.24
	Road & Bridge	\$29,499.82
	Ambulance	\$7,693.24
	24 / 7	\$271.03
	TOTAL	\$98,066.21

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS:

A&B Business	printer rent	\$301.47
A-Ox	oxygen, line replacement	\$321.53
Alpena Coop Service	fuel	\$290.31
Alpena Fire Dept	2025 Fire Protection Dues	\$1,000.00

Amkota	supplies, paint	\$321.07
AT&T	cell phones	\$394.94
Avera Weskota Memorial	nurse accompany for ambulance	\$73.94
Axon Enterprise	cameras & accessories	\$7,000.00
Baker's Repair	tires, hose repair, oil change	\$909.71
Beadle County Auditor	Victim Witness Coord apportion	\$2,200.00
Beadle County Sheriff	prisoner care	\$945.00
Blue, Wheeler & Banks	CAA fees	\$335.06
Butler	transmission rebuild grader	\$43,199.33
Center for Independence	monthly support	\$180.00
CHS	heating fuel	\$3,407.75
City of Huron	911 professional services	\$2,644.85
City of WS	utilities - \$1,952.40 reimbursed	\$4,395.49
CLERP Administration	1 st quarter CLERP payment	\$1,782.00
Community Counseling Ser	2025 apportionment for mental	\$5,000.00
Core Logic	software update	\$1,272.95
Connecting Point	monthly service, firewall	\$730.00
Davison County Sheriff	prisoner care	\$840.00
Election Systems & Software	thermal paper	\$55.84
Employees	health reimbursement	\$4,026.31
Feldhaus, Daniel	court reporter fees	\$131.75
Fleetpride	parts	\$85.38
Grand Jury Fees	juror fees & mileage	\$548.74
Henry Schein	supplies, medication	\$1,143.10
Independent Viking Glass	glass replacement	\$1,074.00
Jensen Construction	repair door	\$169.97
K&M Tire	new tires	\$342.10
Lewis Drug	prisoner medical care	\$15.39
Lexis Nexis	subscription	\$145.00
Lodging at the Springs	EMT lodging	\$140.00
Mack Metal Sales	steel sheet metal	\$381.55
McLeod's	office supplies	\$169.52
Mid-State Organized Crime	2025 membership	\$100.00
Mobile Binders	ROD supplies	\$319.83
NAPA Central	parts	\$13.70
Office Peeps	office supplies	\$20.62
On Sight	annual plan fees	\$104.51
Runnings	supplies	\$64.99
Postmaster	postage	\$314.40
Safe Place of Eastern SD	2025 apportionment	\$3,000.00

Santel	911 service	\$30.00
SD Dept of Health	blood draw lab fees	\$40.00
SD DOT	professional service	\$3,885.66
SDLTAP	2025 Road Convention	\$150.00
Spring's Food Market	supplies	\$35.94
SD Federal Property	supplies	\$185.00
Stryker	equipment with RSD grant funding	\$45,817.28
Total Oil	fuel, diesel	\$2,541.28
True Dakotan	publishing	\$464.46
TruGreen	lawn application prepay	\$1,248.54
Venture	utilities	\$1,281.89
Verizon	extension internet	\$50.08
VISA- AB&T	subscription, supplies, toner, lodging	\$2,070.56
Wellmark	health ins - \$2,137.38 reimbursed	\$13,831.74
Weskota Manor	maintenance fees	\$96.60
Wessington Springs Fire	2025 Dale/Media/WS Fire Protection	\$5,377.17
TOTAL		\$167,018.30

In accordance with SDCL 28-13-41, Jerauld County had two people receiving poor relief for the month of February.

Commissioner Bergeleen gave an update from the first Firesteel Watershed sponsor meeting held on the 26th of February. The meeting was set up to discuss any project needs within the district. The City of Mitchell will be the lead sponsor for the planning contract with an architectural and engineering firm. The board discussed sending at least two commissioners to future meetings for better communication.

Brian Kolousek, Highway Superintendent, was present to discuss roads. Brian requested to place load limits on county roads. The board agreed to do that as soon as possible. Brian presented three resolutions for the board to pass to ensure the signage program posts correct speed limit and maintenance on those roads.

Resolution #2025-5

Speed Limit on 383rd Avenue

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by Jerauld County Commissioners, have a posted 45-mile an hour speed limit on 383rd Avenue from 228th Street to US Highway 34.

Dated this 4th day of March, 2025

ATTEST:

Shannon Fagerhaug

Jerauld County Auditor

DeVonne Losing

Jerauld County Commissioner Chairperson

Resolution #2025-6

Trucks 40-mile an Hour Speed Limit

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jerauld County Commissioners, have a posted Truck 40-mile an Hour speed limit on 393rd Avenue from approximately ½ mile North of 222nd Street to 238th Street and on 236th Street from US Highway 281 to 394th Avenue.

Dated this 4th day of March, 2025

DeVonne Losing

ATTEST:
Shannon Fagerhaug
Jerauld County Auditor

Jerauld County Commissioner Chairperson

Resolution #2025-7

Declaring Roads as NO MAINTENANCE

WHEREAS, the notice and procedure required for the proposed resolution of declaring the described roads as no maintenance as required by South Dakota Codified Laws 31-13-37 and following, and all amendatory thereto, have been strictly complied with and,

WHEREAS, the Jerauld county commissioners have determined that it would be in the best interest of the Media, Dale, and Wessington Springs (county secondary) property owners and residents to declare the described roads as no maintenance as well as provide the appropriate signage, and,

WHEREAS, the Jerauld county commissioners have determined that the roadways have been minimally and intermittently used for the past several years, and,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Jerauld county commissioners that the following roadways located in Jerauld county, South Dakota, to-wit:

Media township

226th street from 376th avenue to 375th avenue

375th avenue from 226th street to 227th street and from US Highway 34 to 231st street

229th street from 377th avenue to 375th avenue

232nd street from 377th avenue to 375th avenue

377th avenue from 230th street approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile south of 230th street and from 226th street to 227th street

380th avenue from 231st street approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile north of 231st street

Wessington Springs township

226th street from approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile east of 382nd avenue to 387th avenue

385th avenue from 227th street to 228th street

386th avenue from 228th street to approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of 228th st

229th street from approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mile west of 383rd avenue to 384th avenue

231st street from 383rd avenue to 231st avenue

384th avenue from 229th street to 231st street

385th avenue from 230th street to approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mile north of 230th street

Dale township

383rd avenue from 221st street to approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile north of 223rd street and from 223rd street to 226th street

224th street from 383rd avenue to 385th avenue

225th street from 384th avenue to 386th avenue

386th avenue from 225th street to 226th street and from 221st street to 222nd street

224th street from 387th avenue to US Highway 281

225th street from 387th avenue to US Highway 281

387th avenue from 224th street to 225th street

Adopted this day the 4th of March, 2025

ATTEST:
Shannon Fagerhaug
Jerauld County Auditor

DeVonne Losing
Jerauld County Commissioner Chairperson

Sealed bids for road and bridge projects were opened with the following results:

Excavator by the hour at under 50,000 lbs. - **Feistner Gravel & Excavation- \$225.00 per hour**, Argo Excavating- \$300.00 per hour

Excavator by the hour at over 50,000 lbs. – **Feistner Gravel & Excavation- \$300.00 per hour**, Argo Excavating- \$375.00 per hour

Hauling by the ton mile from pits throughout Jerauld County for gravel, oversized, sand, clay, etc. minimum 5-mile haul. Belly dump only @ \$0.28 per ton mile - **Argo Excavating**

Hauling rip-rap from Spencer Quarries @ \$0.28 per ton mile - **Argo Excavating**

Screening gravel in various pits throughout Jerauld County 10,000 tons minimum @ \$6.50 per ton – **Feistner Gravel & Excavation**

Moved by Krohmer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to accept all bids as listed in **bold print**.

Fuel bids:	Total Oil
Bulk Ethanol Gas	\$2.65
Ethanol Gas, Pump	\$2.65
Unleaded Gas, Pump	\$2.93
E-30 Gas, Pump	\$2.42
#2 Clear Diesel, Pump	\$3.20
#1 Dyed Diesel, Truck	\$3.00
#2 Dyed Diesel, Truck	\$2.68

Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to award all fuel bids to Total Oil.

The board asked Brian to have a representative from Butler Machinery at the next meeting to look over options for a new motor grader. Brian asked the board to approve the department to go to 4–10-hour days effective March 10th. The board approved. The board then discussed weed spraying with Brian and asked him to visit with his employees for interest.

Deb Fastnacht, Ambulance Director, was available to speak with the board. Deb gave a legislative update on bills that would affect ambulance revenue. The ambulance has also been included in a study to correct payment amounts from government and insurance companies. Deb has received requests from other communities for EMT training. The paging procedures are still very confusing and Deb asked the board to consider returning to the original process. The board requested that Stephanie Reasy be involved in that decision by having her attend the next meeting if available. The ambulance has two stretchers and one manual stair chair that they no longer need. Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to surplus the equipment for sale to an interested party.

Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried that in accordance with SDCL 7-7-25 & 7-7-26 necessary expenses be allowed for March meetings.

DOE Karsky was available. The board reviewed two plats.

#2025-3 Fiegen Outlot

Resolution By County Commissioners

It was moved by Krohmer, seconded by Mentzer, motion carried that the plat of “FIEGEN OUTLOT” in the N.E. ¼ Section 22, Twp. 106 North, Rge. 63

West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Jerauld County, South Dakota, as described above and drawn hereon, be approved and accepted and the Auditor hereby is instructed to endorse on such plat a copy of this resolution and to certify the same.

I, Shannon Fagerhaug, County Auditor of Jerauld County, South Dakota, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the County Commission of Jerauld County, South Dakota, at its meeting of March 4 A.D., 2025.

Shannon Fagerhaug
Auditor, Jerauld County, South Dakota

#2025-4 A Plat of Lot 1 of Powell Addition

Resolution by Board of County Commissioners

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Jerauld County, South Dakota, that the plat of LOT 1 OF POWELL ADDITION IN THE SE ¼ SECTION 10, T 107 N, R 65 W OF THE 5TH P.M., JERAULD COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, 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 4th day of March, 2025.

DeVonne Losing
Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson, Board of County Commissioners, Jerauld County

Auditor's Certificate

The undersigned does hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Jerauld County, South Dakota, at a regular meeting held on March 4, 2025, approving the above-named plat.

Shannon Fagerhaug
Auditor/Deputy Auditor of Jerauld County

The Planning & Zoning board has proposed that the commission board consider a new Plat Filing Fee of \$150.00. The P&Z board also proposed to raise fees for Condition Use Permits to \$250.00, Variance fees to \$250.00, and Re-Zoning fees to \$250.00. Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Mentzer, all member voted aye. Motion carried to approve the proposed fees for the Planning & Zoning Board. DOE Karsky updated the board on bills that were to be discussed in legislation this week. Dates for the County Board of Equalization to open books on April 8th at the regular monthly meeting and close books on April 28th at 8:00 am were set.

Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to meet in executive session at 11:53 am per SDCL 1-25-2 (6) to discuss information related to private property. Chairperson Losing declared executive session over and to resume in regular session at 11:58 am.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded by Mentzer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve No. 01 Application for Abatement of Property Taxes.

Moved by Hein, seconded by Mentzer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the fire protection contract between Wessington Springs Fire Department and Dale Township in the amount of \$1,001.34 for one year commencing April 1, 2026.

Moved by Bergeleen, seconded Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the fire protection contract between Wessington Springs Fire Department and Media Township in the amount of \$1,956.39 for one year commencing April 1, 2026.

Moved by Krohmer, seconded Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the fire protection contract between Wessington Springs Fire Department and Wessington Springs Township in the amount of \$2,419.44 for one year commencing April 1, 2026.

Ann Scheel, Custodian, was available to update the board on the Weed Conference. Ann has reached out to the state to determine what certifications she will need to spot spray county property. The board will begin looking for an answer for the county road weed spraying for this season. The board informed Ann that they would be sending letters to township boards to let them know that the county would no longer keep cemeteries maintained after May 26th, 2025. Building projects were discussed.

The weed department received a new cell phone as the previous phone would not hold a charge. Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Hein, all members voted aye. Motion carried to surplus the previous iPhone 12 and donate to a program in need.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented the TruGreen quote for chemical lawn application at the courthouse and 4-H baseball field. The board discussed the options. Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to approve the quote for courthouse lawn application for 2025. The board will be reaching out to local interested parties to spray the 4-H baseball field when the weather is suitable.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented information to the board provided by Alternative HR for services. The board would prefer to meet with them and get more options on tailoring services to Jerauld County. Auditor Fagerhaug will reach out to the contact to find out availability.

Auditor Fagerhaug presented a hardship form for Ambulance services to the board for review. The board approved the form and the process will be put into place immediately.

Jerauld County will be updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan this year. The county will be working very closely with District III to accomplish this. The community will be allowed to attend meetings and provide information by way of survey. The first meeting will be held at the Jerauld County Courthouse on Tuesday, April 8th at 1:00 pm. More information will be published in the True Dakotan.

Lisa Younie, Treasurer, was available to update the board on delinquent tax deed property.

Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Krohmer, all members voted aye. Motion carried to meet in executive session at 2:06 pm per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) for purposes of discussing a personnel matter. Chairperson Losing declared executive session over and to resume in regular session at 4:05 pm.

Moved by Mentzer, seconded by Bergeleen, all members voted aye. Motion carried to appoint Christina Karsky as the Jerauld County Zoning Administrator and 911 Coordinator effective March 4, 2025, with an increase in wages of \$1.25 per hour.

A Thank You from Dunham Historical Society was presented to the board.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 8th, at 9:00 am and the board will reconvene as the County Board of Equalization on April 28th at 8:00 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.

DeVonne Losing, Chairperson

ATTEST: Shannon Fagerhaug, Auditor

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