AGENDA
Codington County Board of Commissioners
Codington County Court House, 14 1st Ave SE, Watertown SD
Commission Chambers, Room #114
9:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 22, 2025

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Call for public comment. Public comment may be submitted in person or via telephone at 605-882-6248 or 605-882-6297

3. Conflict of interest items

4. Action to approve the July 22, 2025, agenda

5. Action to approve the July 15, 2025, minutes of the Board of Codington County Commissioners

6. Opening of bids for County Road 4A Asphalt Resurfacing project; and possible action to award bids

7. Monthly Reports
   a. Community Health Nurse
   b. Emergency Management
   c. Sheriff

8. Review 2026 budget requests

9. Discussion/possible action to approve Language Line for courtroom interpretation

10. Action to approve purchase agreement with Axon for Tasers for Sheriff's Office

11. Action to approve purchase of Cuffman Arrest and Control Tactics training system

12. Action to approve claims for payment

13. Action to approve automatic budget supplements

14. Action to approve personnel changes

15. Action to approve travel requests

16. Public Notices – a possible quorum of Commissioners could be in attendance at:

17. Old Business

18. New Business

19. Open
   a. Public Comments
   b. Commission Comments

20. Action to enter into Executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2
   (1) Discussion of personnel issues (SDCL 1-25-2(1))
   (2) Consulting with legal counsel or reviewing communications from legal counsel about proposed or pending litigation or contractual matters (SDCL 1-25-2(3))
   (3) Preparing for contract negotiations or negotiating with employees or employee representatives (SDCL 1-25-2(4))
   (4) Discussion of pricing or marketing strategies when public disclosure may harm the competitive position of the county owned business (SDCL 1-25-2(5))
   (5) Discussion of information pertaining to the protection of public or private property (SDCL 1-25-2(6))

21. Action to adjourn upon completion of agenda items

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County of Codington
Codington County Court House
14 1st Ave SE
Watertown, SD 57201

July 22, 2025

The Codington County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 22, 2025, at the Codington County Court House. Commission members present were: Lee Gabel (via Zoom), Tyler McElhany, Myron Johnson, Randall Schweer and Troy VanDusen; Chair VanDusen, presiding. The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner McElhany.

CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST ITEMS

Chair VanDusen called for public comments to be taken up during the open portion of the meeting; none were offered. There were no conflict-of-interest items to note.

AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Schweer, second by McElhany, to approve the agenda for July 22, 2025, as posted; all voted aye; motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to approve the minutes of July 15, 2025; all voted aye; motion carried.

BID LETTING OF CODINGTON COUNTY ROAD 4A ASPHALT RESURFACING PROJECT

This being the time and place set, as advertised, for the opening of bids for the Codington County Road 4A Asphalt Resurfacing Project, the following bids were opened and announced:

BIDDER'S NAME AND ADDRESS	BID
Duininck, Inc., Prinsburg, MN	$252,406.00
Bidder provided a bid bond.	

With only receiving on bid, Highway Supt., Randy Falvey, recommended going with Duininck, Inc., in the amount of $252,406.00, for this County Road 4A Asphalt Resurfacing Project; motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to accept the bid from Duininck, Inc., in the amount of $252,406.00; all voted aye; motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Community Health Nurse, Codi Storm, provided a quarterly report to the Board covering the following items: Personnel/office activity, staff training, immunizations, maternal health, child/adolescent services, community involvement. **Emergency Management Director, Andrew Delgado,** updated the Board: tested and ran three of the generators with the help of the LARK at field day; there were three SAR calls for service, in Day, Hamlin, and Clark County, in addition, they assisted the Police Dept. with Camp Chance; Cheri completed and sent in the updated municipal contacts to State OEM, that is a statutory requirement; Cheri and I attended/completed Crisis Track training in Aberdeen, which is a LEMPG requirement; 911 meeting, SAR policy meeting, region meeting, talked to Watertown Fire Rescue personnel on a couple things; Cheri went to the SDEMA in-person board meeting in Sioux Falls; IS-703 Resource Management – now one final in-person class for Advanced Professional Series Certificate (6 year requirement per LEMPG) **Sheriff, Brad Howell,** provided the Board with the following statistics, compiled from activity in the month of June 2025, for the Detention Center and Sheriff's Office: office

fees were collected in the amount of $13,788.73, and were retained by the County; Commissary items sold in the amount of $2,381.92 with a commission fee to the County in the amount of $2,613.66; 656 cases/calls for service; 16 accident reports were completed; 62 warrants served; 192 sets of civil papers served; 2,677 transport miles; average daily inmate population 48.97 (high ADP 58 and low ADP 41); 17 individuals wearing SCRAM (security continuous remote alcohol monitor) bracelets; 11 individuals using remote breathalyzers; 39 individuals testing twice daily PBT'S; 46 individuals reporting twice weekly for UA Drug testing; 0 individuals wearing a sweat patch; 174 bookings; $13,408.69 collected in fees for out of county prisoner contracts; $1,140.00 collected in work release fees; $7,576.00 collected in fees for the 24/7 program; and 3,710.00 collected in SCRAM fees; held the Sheriff's Youth Academy, had a good group of youth attend, was able to use the driving simulator at LATC; finished taser training and planning firearms training for this fall.

2026 BUDGET REVIEW

The Board reviewed 2026 budget requests from the Community Health Nurse, Emergency Management, Sheriff, Detention Center, 24/7, Youth at Risk, Coroner, Court Appointed Attorney, and mandated budgets.

PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH AXON FOR TASER 10 FOR SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Motion by Gabel, second by McElhany, to approve 5-year purchase agreement with Axon to purchase 14 taser 10's for Sheriff's Office, for a total amount of $73,759.60, payments as follows - 2025 - $4,700.00; 2026 - $13,811.92; 2027 - $13,811.92; 2028 - $13,811.92; 2029 - $13,811.92; and 2030 - $13,811.92; Sheriff, Brad Howell provided the Board with the quote; all voted aye; motion carried.

CUFFMAN ARREST AND CONTROL TACTICS TRAINING SYSTEM FOR SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Motion by Gabel, second by Schweer, to approve quote for Cuffman Arrest and Control Tactics Training System, from Security Pro USA, in the amount of $6,156.25, Sheriff, Brad Howell, provided the Board with the quote and explained that this system has a training dummy for training new employees which will reduce the possibility of injury of current employees doing the training and also reduce the number of employees to perform the training; all voted aye; motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion by Schweer, second by McElhany, to approve for payment the following claims for payment: all voted aye; motion carried. Tegra - $20,688.00

OPEN

Commission Comments – Commissioner Gabel informed the Board that Auditor, Brenda Hanten, Municipal Advisor, Toby Morris and himself, will be on a call with Moody's on July 23rd for an interview to determine Codington County's bond rating. The formal ground breaking for the new Jail Building will be on August 18th, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Johnson attended the Veterans Information Event at the Watertown Readiness Center.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Johnson, second by McElhany, to enter into executive session, per SDCL 1-25-2(4) Preparing for contract negotiations or negotiating with employees or employee representatives; at 9:56 a.m.; all voted aye; motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 10:40 a.m., no action was taken. Human Resource Representative, Natalie Remund and Auditor, Brenda Hanten were present for executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon conclusion of all business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Gabel, second by McElhany, to adjourn at 10:40 a.m., all voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Brenda Hanten
Codington County Auditor

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