

**Perkins County Commission
Regular Meeting**

Date: June 4, 2026

Present: Commissioners Carmichael, Foster, Campbell, Schweitzer, Henderson and Finance Officer Stadler

Others Present: Cathy Evans, Steve Anderson, David Kennedy, Ron Bierwagen, Arlen Hatle, Robert Carr, Les Neuenschwander, Scott Reede, Dacia Hilkemeier, Dale Huber, Brenda Kari, Philip Jerde, Dan Beckman, Mike Pазie, Jeannie Ericsson, Cal Ericsson, Bob Parker, Paul Berwick, Cody Green.

Call to Order

Chairman Carmichael called the Regular Commissioner Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Conflict of Interest

There was no Conflict of Interest to declare.

Approval of the Agenda

Foster moved, Campbell seconded to approve the Agenda with the addition of Appointment of Grand Electric & WRCTC delegate, motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

- Campbell moved, Schweitzer seconded to approve the Minutes from the May 12, 2026 Regular Meeting, motion carried.

Monthly Reports

- Finance Officer's Account with the Deputy Finance Officer - To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners Perkins County: I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the Deputy Finance Officer of this County as of May 31, 2026, Sara Stadler, Finance Officer, Perkins County. Total amount of deposits in banks \$5,053,670.59. Total amount of actual cash \$200.00; Dakota Plains Federal Credit Union: \$25,731.54; Certificates of Deposit \$511,607.47; Total \$5,591,209.60. The total represents state, county, schools, cities and township funds, which will be transferred to each entity of government after being apportioned.
- Sheriff's Fees in the amount of \$1,918.03 were reviewed.
- Motor Vehicle fees for the month of May 2026 were reviewed.
- Register of Deed's fees in the amount of \$3,329.00 were reviewed.
- Longevity increase of .10/hour will be realized for the following: G. Karels 6-1, B. Kari 6-28, S. Jeffers 6-4, B. Escott 6-27.

Director of Equalization – Tracy Hafner

- Surplus/Dispose – Acer Monitor – Model #S241HL – Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to surplus and dispose of the Acer Monitor (model #S241HL) as it is no longer working, motion carried.
- New Hire – set wage – Foster moved, Campbell seconded to set the wage for Kaitlyn Kadrmas at \$18.11 per hour effective her start date of 6-8-26, motion carried.

Highway – Cody Green

Superintendent Green presented his Monthly Project & Maintenance Report. Green reported the crew is working on maintenance and repairs of equipment as needed. The crew continues to work on pulling shoulders, blading county roads when possible, patching asphalt roads, and spraying bridges and delineator posts. Green plans to start mowing asphalt road ditches around the 22nd of June and to get ready to haul gravel to the NW part of the County.

Executive Session

Foster moved, Campbell seconded to declare an Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel and per SDCL 1-25-2(3) for Legal Matters at 10:29 a.m., motion carried. Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting out of Executive Session at 10:58 a.m.

County Land Lease Auction – SE S24-T17-R16

Chairman Carmichael opened the bidding for the lease of county owned land located at Section 24, Township 17, Range 16 at \$10.00 per acre. Arlen Hatle had the lone bid at \$10.00 per acre. Henderson moved, Foster seconded to accept the lone bid of \$10.00/acre from Arlen Hatle, motion carried.

County Surplus Property Tax Deed Sale

Finance Officer Stadler read the Perkins County Tax Deed Auction Policy.

- Lemmon's 1st Addn, Blk 3, Lot 5, Record #13420. High bid received was from Dacia Hilkemeier at \$5,200. Schweitzer moved, Campbell seconded to accept the high bid from Dacia Hilkemeier at \$5,200 for Record #13420, located at Lemmon's 1st Addn, Blk 3, Lot 5, within the City of Lemmon, motion carried.
- Lemmon's Original, Blk 19, Lot 11, Record # 13218. High bid of \$2,000 was received by Cathy Evans on behalf of the Lemmon Housing & Redevelopment Commission. Campbell moved, Schweitzer seconded to accept the high bid of \$2,000 from the Lemmon Housing & Redevelopment Commission for Record #13218, located at Lemmon's Original, Blk 19, Lot 11, within the City of Lemmon, motion carried.
- Lemmon's Original, Blk 19, Lot 10, Record # 13217. High bid received was from Scott Reede at \$6,000. Foster moved, Campbell seconded to accept the high bid from Scott Reede for \$6,000 for Record #13420, located at Lemmon's Original, Blk 19, Lot 10 within the City of Lemmon, motion carried.
- Lemmon's Original 3rd Addn, Blk 2, Lot 9, Record # 13592. High bid received was from Ron Bierwagen at \$5,500. Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to accept the high bid from Ron Bierwagen for \$5,500 for Record # 13592, located at Lemmon's 3rd Addn, Blk 2, Lot 9, within the City of Lemmon, motion carried.
- Tract in SENW of 3-17-10 (cont 1.04ac), Record #16346. High bid received was from Philip Jerde for \$700. Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to accept the high bid from Philip Jerde for \$700 for Record #16346, located at tract in SENW of 3-17-10 (cont. 1.04 ac), within Jones Township, motion carried.
- NW in 20-15-10, Record #2601. High bid received was from Dan Beckman for \$47,000. Henderson moved, Campbell seconded to accept the high bid received from Dan Beckman for \$47,000 for record #2601, located in NW 20-15-10, within Wyandotte Township, motion carried.
- NE in 27-14-14, Record #2021. High bid received was from David Kennedy for \$20,000. Campbell moved, Foster seconded to accept the high bid from David Kennedy for \$20,000 for Record #2021, located in NE 27-14-14, within Martin Township, motion carried.

Budget Requests

Various entities submitted their 2027 budget requests via email and Lodgepole Fire Department was present for their request.

Finance Office

- Executive Session - Foster moved, Campbell seconded to declare an Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel at 12:42 p.m., motion carried. Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting out of Executive Session at 12:50 p.m.
- Temporary Help – Paulette Fero wage – Henderson moved, Foster seconded to set the temporary wage for Paulette Fero at \$25.00 per hour effective her start date of May 4th, 2026, motion carried.
- Canvas of the 2026 Primary Election - The Canvass of the 2026 Primary Election was conducted. The Certificate of Election for the 2026 Primary Election was signed by the Commissioners and attested by the Finance Officer.
- Post Election Audit
 - Finance Officer informed the Commissioners that the Post Election Audit will be held on Monday, June 15, 2026 in the Perkins County Courtroom.

- Finance Officer Stadler pulled 2 races at random to be conducted at the Post Election Audit. The 2 races pulled were the US Representative Race for Precinct 7, and the US Senator Race for Precincts 6 & 9.
- Jerry Muth – Predator Animal – Abate 2025 pay 2026 Predator Bill for \$110.00 - Henderson, Schweitzer seconded to abate the Predator Tax Bill for Jerry Muth in the amount of \$110.00 as it was also approved by the Perkins County Predator Board, motion carried.
- Appointment of Grand Electric/WRCTC Delegate – Foster moved, Schweitzer seconded to appoint Sara Stadler as the Perkins County Delegate when attending the Grand Electric and West River Cooperative Telephone Cooperative Annual Meetings, motion carried.
- 2026-03 Resolution – Plat for Erickson Addition - Foster moved, Campbell seconded to approve Resolution 2026-03 Plat of Lot 1 of the Erickson Addition as located in Gov’t Lot 4, Section 30, Township 22 North, Range 10 East of the B.H.M, Perkins County, South Dakota, Roll Call: Henderson aye, Schweitzer aye, Foster aye, Campbell aye, Carmichael aye, motion carried.

**Resolution 2026-03
Plat of Lot 1 of the Erickson Addition
As located in Gov’t Lot 4 Section 30
Township 22 North, Range 10 East of the B.H.M
To Perkins County, South Dakota**

Be it resolved by the County Commission of Perkins County, South Dakota, that the Plat of Lot 1 of the Erickson Addition to Perkins County, South Dakota, as located in Gov’t Lot 4, Section 30, Township 22 North, Range 10 East of the B.H.M., Perkins County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of South Dakota Compiled Law, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof.

Claims

The following claims were presented and approved for payment: May payroll : 80,018.62; IRS, FICA, 7,800.40; SD Retirement, 6,324.63; Delta Dental, ins, 1,006.50; Medico Life, ins, 134.41; Wellmark, ins, 21,951.10; Mutual of Omaha, ins, 252.01; HRA, reimbursements, 1,151.83; Primary Election workers salary, 5,975.00; Primary Election travel, 1,321.25; Primary Election, rent, 225.00; D Aukland, pro fee/fuel, 129.81; Bison Amb, subsidy, 5,000.00; Bison Courier, publishing, 1,354.12; Bison Food Market, supplies, 85.25; Bison Imp, rep/supplies, 383.66; Boss Cowman Rodeo, subsidy, 1,000.00; Capital I Industries, repairs, 1,441.78; Current Connection, maint/suppl, 1,564.71; Dakota Herald, pub, 1,520.27; Dakota Prairie Helping Hands, subsidy, 1,000.00; Election Systems, supplies, 2,456.67; Faith Amb, subsidy, 1,000.00; AT&T, utilities, 235.74; Grand Electric, utilities, 1,226.26; L Green, pro fee, 43.00; Light & Siren, equip, 1,184.00; Melling & Roseland, ct appt atty, 587.44; Nippon Sanso Natheson, supplies, 55.45; Northern Fire, maint, 161.70; Otoe Co Sheriffs Office, sheriff fees, 18.25; S. Penfield, rent, 400.00; PC Conservation Dist, subsidy, 10,500.00; PC Fairboard, subsidy, 15,000.00; Prairie Hills Transit, subsidy, 8,000.00; Runnings, rep/supplies, 335.37; Simon North, supplies, 2,864.00; State Animal Damage, pred animal, 4,156.24; Stockert’s Tree, cont services, 630.00; Town of Bison, utilities, 331.37; US Postal, box rent, 536.00; US Records Midwest, equip, 7,827.00; Verizon, utilities, 40.01; VISA, travel/suppl, 2,616.64; Waeckerle Law, ct appt atty, 2,635.20; West Group, law books, 494.117; WR Telephone, utilities, 1,159.59.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Carmichael declared the meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m. The next Regular meeting of the Perkins County Commission will be held on Tuesday, July 7th, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at the Three Rivers Mental Health Conference Room located at 11 4th St E, Lemmon, SD.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sara Stadler, Finance Officer

Kyle Carmichael, Chairman