

SULLY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 7, 2026

The Board of Sully County Commissioners held their regular scheduled mtg on Tues, July 7, 2026. Chairman Fanger called the mtg to order at 7:30 am. Other members present: Greg Yackley, William Floyd, Caleb Shepherd & Jerry Richards. Also, present were Sheila Ring, Bill Stahl, Lynette Murphy, Marti Arbach, Ron Fessler, Curt Olson, Helen Jane Paxton, Vic Utech, Kevin Griffin, Lori Griffin, Neal Konda, Al McNeely, Emily Sovell & JJ Schall.

ADOPT AGENDA: Motion by Floyd, second by Richards to adopt the agenda with the addition of Drought Disaster Declaration Resolution. Unanimous vote aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No one was present for public comment.

MINUTES: Motion by Yackley, second by Fanger to approve minutes from the Bd of Commission mtg held on June 4th. Unanimous vote aye. Motion by Yackley, second by Richards to approve the minutes from the Bd of Commission mtg held on June 22nd. Unanimous vote aye.

CD RATE REPORT: Treasurer Paxton shared CD interest rate quotes received from BankWest at 3.80% & Sunrise Bank Dakota 3.92%. CDs will remain at Sunrise Bank Dakota.

FIRST RESPONDERS' APPRECIATION MONTH: Bd declared October as First Responders' Appreciation Month.

First Responders' Appreciation Month - October 2026

WHEREAS, first responders in Sully County, including firefighters, law enforcement, EMTs, paramedics & 911 dispatchers, dedicate their lives to protecting and serving the residents of Sully County; and

WHEREAS, these brave men and women are often the first to arrive at the scene of emergencies, providing critical assistance and risking their own lives to save others; and

WHEREAS, first responders face dangerous situations daily, from severe weather emergencies to highway accidents; and

WHEREAS, many of Sully County's first responders are volunteers who sacrifice their personal time and make tremendous commitments to serve their community without expectation of recognition or reward; and

WHEREAS, the mental and physical demands placed upon first responders require ongoing support, training and resources to ensure they can effectively protect our community; and

WHEREAS, Sully County residents depend on first responders 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and their service is essential to the safety, security and well-being of all who live, work and visit Sully County; and

WHEREAS, National First Responders Day is recognized annually on October 28th, providing an opportunity for communities nationwide to honor these everyday heroes; and

WHEREAS, acts of appreciation and recognition from the community provide first responders with encouragement and demonstrate that their sacrifices do not go unnoticed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, the Sully County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of October as SULLY COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS' APPRECIATION MONTH; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sully County Board of Commissioners calls upon all residents, businesses, organizations and officials in Sully County to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities and expressions of gratitude to honor the courage, dedication and selfless service of our first responders.

Dated this 7th day of July, 2026.

s:/Joe Fanger, Chairman

Attest: (Seal)

s:/Susan Lamb, Auditor

POST-ELECTION AUDIT: Aud Lamb presented the results of the Post-Election Audit for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election. The five-person board audited the Agar Fire Hall Vote Center with 39 ballots & Phoenix Center with 298 ballots. The State Senator & State Representative races were audited. After manually counting the races, the results of both races matched the election night tabulator count & County Canvass with 100% accuracy.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

County of Sully}ss.

CERTIFICATE OF POST-ELECTION AUDIT

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED members of the post-election auditing board, do hereby certify the results of the audit for the following specified candidates or questions, State Senator and State Representative races, for the election held on the 2nd day of June, 2026. We completed the audit on the 16th day of June, 2026.

Vote Center - Agar Fire Hall

State Senator	Total Votes	Total Yes	Total No
Mark James Nelson	7		
Brian Joseph Murphy	15		
Jim Mehlhaff	14		

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State Representative	Total Votes	Total Yes	Total No
Regan Bollweg	10		
Laurie Gill	10		
Brian Burge	12		
Tim Rounds	13		
Mike Weisgram	18		

Vote Center - Phoenix Center

State Senator	Total Votes	Total Yes	Total No
Mark James Nelson	27		
Brian Joseph Murphy	105		
Jim Mehlhaff	135		

State Representative	Total Votes	Total Yes	Total No
Regan Bollweg	164		
Laurie Gill	77		
Brian Burge	43		
Tim Rounds	80		
Mike Weisgram	111		

The following is a brief description of the proceedings of this post-election audit:

Signed by a majority of the post-election auditing board:

s:/Vicki Lentz, Post-Election Auditing Board Member

s:/Olivia Rausch, Post-Election Auditing Board Member

s:/Elizabeth Quinn, Post-Election Auditing Board Member

s:/Nina L. Ripley, Post-Election Auditing Board Member

s:/Lewis Robbennolt, Post-Election Auditing Board Member

ATTEST: (Seal)

Attested under the SEAL by the Sully County Auditor: s:/Susan B. Lamb

RUNOFF ELECTION WORKERS: Aud Lamb provided the Bd with a list of election workers for the Runoff Election to be held on Tues, July 28th.

ELECTRONIC MEETING SOFTWARE & EQUIPMENT: Comr Shepherd suggested updating the Co website with a login for comrs to access documents prior to the monthly Bd mtgs. Information would then remain as historical data. Following discussion on estimate of cost, access & reduced mtg time, motion by Shepherd, second by Yackley to have Factor 360 update the website. Roll Call Vote: Floyd-nay, Shepherd-aye, Fanger-nay, Yackley-aye, Richards-nay. Motion failed 2-3.

CITY OF ONIDA PICKLEBALL APPROPRIATION: Motion by Richards, second by Floyd to deny the request for additional funds to assist with the purchase of equipment & benches for the City pickleball court. Unanimous vote aye.

STEP INCREASE: Aud Lamb informed Bd that Deputy Casey Hight will receive a \$.15/hr step increase effective July 22nd.

AUTOMATIC BUDGET SUPPLEMENT: Motion by Richards, second by Yackley to approve the following automatic budget supplement to 101-0-331.22 Election Grant-Voting Access from the State of South Dakota in the amount of \$15,247.24. Unanimous vote aye. Motion by Floyd, second by Fanger to approve the following automatic budget supplement from 101-0-331.22 Election Grant-Voting Access to 101-120-434.08 Election Equipment in the amount of \$14,510.00, 101-120-422.00 Election Prof Services and Fees in the amount of \$675.10 & \$62.14 to 101-120-426.05 Election Misc Supl. Unanimous vote aye.

SULLY COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY RESOLUTION: Motion by Floyd, second by Yackley to approve resolution. Unanimous vote aye.

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2026-11
SULLY COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY
(Joint Resolution – County / City)

WHEREAS, the Sully County Regional Rail Authority (hereinafter “Railroad Authority”) has remained in existence pursuant to SDCL 49-17A since August 1995; and

WHEREAS, the City of Onida, South Dakota (“City”), and the County of Sully, (“County”), political subdivisions of the State of South Dakota established the Railroad Authority and are the sole members thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement Establishing the Railroad Authority provides that the Authority shall be comprised of five commissioners, with two appointed by the City, two appointed by the County, and one additional commissioner selected by joint agreement of the City and County; and

WHEREAS, the current commissioners of the Railroad Authority include:

- Jane Pitlick
- Tim Lukens
- William Floyd
- Matthew Newcomer
- Andy Kleven

WHEREAS, Tim Lukens has presented his resignation, which was accepted by the Commissioners of the Sully County Railroad Authority and presented to the Members;

WHEREAS, the three-year rotation for selection of Authority commissioners occurs now in existence ends in August of 2027;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City of Onida hereby affirms its appointment of the following commissioners to the Sully County Regional Railroad Authority:

- Jane Pitlick
- Matthew Newcomer

That the County of Sully affirms the appointment of the commissioners to the Sully County Regional Railroad Authority:

- William Floyd
- Kevin Kjorsvik (replacement for term of Tim Lukens)

FURTHER RESOLVES, that the jointly appointed commissioner of the Sully County Regional Railroad Authority shall remain:

- Andy Kleven

FURTHER RESOLVES The three-year term of all Sully County Regional Railroad Authority Members shall expire August 31, 2027. The City and County shall select commissioners to fulfill the duties of the office at the regular August meetings in the year 2027.

Date: _____

City of Onida: _____

Approved: _____

Mayor, City of Onida

SULLY COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

County votes: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0

Approved:

s:/Joe Fanger

Chairman, Sully County Commission

Date: July 7, 2026

SURPLUSED 2017 FORD EXPLORER: Motion by Yackley, second by Shepherd to accept Lamb Chevrolet & Implement’s offer of \$1000.00 for the surplused unit. Unanimous vote aye.

OPERATING TRANSFER: Motion by Richards, second by Floyd to approve an operating transfer to the Road & Bridge Fund in the amount of \$500,000.00. Unanimous vote aye.

DROUGHT DISASTER DECLARATION RESOLUTION: Motion by Floyd, second by Yackley to approve resolution. Unanimous vote aye.

Resolution No 2026-12

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Drought Disaster Declaration
2026-12

WHEREAS, Sully County suffered in early spring from below normal precipitation and desolating winds resulting in a natural disaster in the form of agricultural drought conditions, the Board of County Commissioners resolve that said drought conditions constitute a natural disaster of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of this County, or even the State of South Dakota, and that Federal assistance is necessary, and there is no emergency plan available to alleviate the damage and economic chaos resulting from these conditions; and

WHEREAS, Sully County does not have the financial resources to respond to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Sully County is aware of the sparse pastures and lack of forage crops for feeding of livestock is necessitating the reduction/disposal of livestock herds; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Sully County is aware that row crops are stressed from lack of rain and yields will be impacted; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of County Commissioners of Sully County, South Dakota, declare a natural disaster drought emergency, and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, we the Board of Commissioners of Sully County respectfully petition the Governor of the State of South Dakota, the United States Department of Agriculture and the President of the United States to provide with all dispatch and remedy any state and/or federal assistance available for this type of emergency.

Commissioner Floyd moved to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Yackley seconded the motion.

VOTING AYE

s:/William Floyd

s:/Jerry Richards

s:/Greg Yackley

s:/Joe Fanger

s:/Caleb Shepherd

VOTING NAY

None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING

None

Motion passed and resolution adopted this 7th day of July, 2026.

ATTEST: (Seal)

s:/Susan B. Lamb, Auditor

RIVER DEVELOPMENT UPDATE/ACTION: Vic Utech, Kevin Griffin & Al McNeely shared several issues regarding Sully Co development along the Missouri River. Utech requested that the Co pursue discussion with legal counsel regarding growth limitations due to restrictions by the Cow Creek/Spring Creek Sanitary District. State's Attny Sovell suggested an inquiry be made to the government hotline provided by South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance. Motion by Shepherd, second by Richards to have Aud Lamb seek direction as to best interest for Sully County from SDPAA. Unanimous vote aye.

LEGAL MATTERS: State's Attny Sovell discussed legal matters with Bd.

VACATION OF SECTION LINES: Comr Yackley discussed the possibility of County approval to the vacation of section lines for a certain period of time. Landowner would still file a petition requesting section line to be vacated. The request would be renewed after a certain length of time. Following discussion Bd directed Aud Lamb to reach out to SDPAA for guidance on section line vacation.

HWY DEPT PURCHASE REQUEST: Eric Hamiel from Transource provided bid documents for a 2026 Mack truck. Discussion was held regarding bid price, financing & 2027 Budget. No action was taken. Hwy Supt Schall requested permission to have RDO make reprs to Loader. Motion by Shepherd, second by Richards to approve repair. Unanimous vote aye.

HWY DEPT: Hwy Supt Schall provided an update on mowing, completion of mag water on Bush's Landing road, culvert lining & microsurfacing projects.

BUDGET REVIEWS: Bd met with Dept heads to review submitted 2027 Budget requests.

MONTHLY DEPT REPORTS: Bd reviewed monthly dept

CLAIMS: Motion by Shepherd, second by Richards to approve the claims with the exception of Falcon Lawn & Landscape in the amount of \$213.00. Unanimous vote aye. Combined Insurance 278.50 Ins, Jacob Eichacker Repl Check, Michael Honermann Repl Check, A&B Business 161.04 Maint, Agar Fire Dept 420.64 Collections, Montana Dakota Utilities 291.70 Util, Onida Fire Dept 1491.34 Collections, SDACO 122.00 Collections, SD State Treasurer 59444.71 Collections, Agar Town 1725.51 Collections, Agar-Blunt-Onida School 240847.71 Collections, Central Plains Water 1043.32 Collections, Codgers Castaway Road District 2033.69 Collections, Codgers Cove Road District 4253.71 Collections, Highmore-Harold School District 8350.16 Collections, City of Onida 22676.10 Collections, Oahe Electric

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252.52 Util, Postmaster 584.00 Supl, Agar-Blunt-Onida School Dist 8500.00 Approp, American Solutions For Business 237.54 Supl, Marti Arbach 157.78 T&C, AT&T Mobility 563.51 Supl, Bankwest 15508.36 Loan Pmt, Beadle County Auditor 1125.00 Approp, BIT Resource Billing 60.00 Prof Svc, Brosz Engineering Inc 3640.00 Prof Serv, Butler Machine Co Inc 833.00 Reprs, Capital Area Counseling Serv 425.00 Approp, Capital One Bank 1155.74 Fuel, Cardmember Service 9465.93 Supl, Clark Powersports 16.67 Maint, Don's Food Center 93.95 Supl, Don's Sinclair Inc 130.00 Maint, Factor 360 480.00 Prof Serv, Falcon Lawn Care & Landscaping 939.24 Reprs, Holiday Inn City Centre 440.00 T&C, Hughes Co Finance Officer 315.00 Jail, Inmans Water Technologies 85.50 Rental, Jensen Rock & Sand Inc 203615.14 Maint, Kimball Midwest 324.23 Supl, Knowink LLC 40.00 Supl, Laclede Equipment Inc 2524.29 Reprs, Lamb Chevrolet & Implement Inc 66.00 Supl, Lamb Discount Supply 447.11 Supl, Lamb Motor Co Inc 337.19 Maint, Vicki Lentz 45.00 Prof Svc, Lyle Signs Inc 2458.05 Supl, McLeod Printing 17.28 Supl, Rodney Mennenger 174.99 Supl, Mid-Dakota Rural Water System 98.05 Util, City of Onida 1396.08 Util, Phoenix Center 60.00 Rent, Powerplan 2364.96 Reprs, Liz Quinn 45.00 Prof Svc, Olivia Rausch 45.00 Prof Svc, Nina Ripley 45.00 Prof Svc, Lew Robbennolt 63.72 Prof Svc, SD Assoc of Co Commissioners 196.20 Approp, SD Assoc of Assessing Officers 500.00 T&C, Servall Uniform/Linen Co 244.51 Rent, Sovell Oil, Inc 20546.87 Fuel, Sovell Law Office 400.00 Phone, Rochelle Stephens 22.17 T&C, Stryker Sales LLC 178.75 Supl, Subsurface Inc 99983.00 Maint, Sully Co Fair Board 10000.00 Approp, Sully Co Treasurer/Petty Cash 21.89 Supl, Twotrees Technologies 1431.50 Prof Serv, Venture Communications 790.65 Phone, Verizon Wireless 79.44 Phone, Law Office Joshua Weinheimer 651.13 Atty Fees.

MONTHLY DEPT REPORTS: Bd reviewed monthly dept reports.

FUEL QUOTES: The following is the fuel quote received for the month of July. Sovell Oil-unleaded \$3.79, diesel #1-N/A, diesel #2 \$3.45. A monthly inventory listing was also reviewed of fuel used by the Co in the month of June.

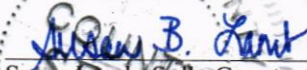
JUNE WAGES Salaries by Office: Comrs 4394.67; Aud 9633.07; Treas 7692.75; States Attny 9910.89; Cthse 4815.68; DOE 6155.42; Reg of Deeds 7768.80; GIS 1304.29; Sheriff 26831.25; Extension 573.16; Weed & Pest 590.38; P&Z 2051.79; Highway 57121.07; Emg Mgt 1148.00.

ACCOUNT WITH THE TREASURER AS OF 06/30/26

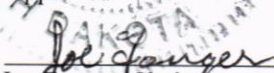
Cash on Hand	478.11
Checks	7,827.36
Checks on Hand	0.00
NSF Checks	0.00
Cash Items	21.89
ROD Cash Box	50.00
Sunrise Bank Now	9,116.18
Sunrise Bank MM	139,696.85
BankWest Checking	5,600,128.29
BankWest MM	4,053.64
<u>INVESTMENTS</u>	
Sunrise Bank Dakota	1,382,078.88
BankWest	
Sheriff Checking	481.80
Register of Deeds Checking	5,524.50
Total Cash Balance	7,149,457.50
Total Assets in Custody of County as of 06/30/26	
County Amount	7,021,346.15
Amounts Held for Other Gov	128,111.35
Amounts Held for Others	0.00
Total Assets	7,149,457.50

MTG DATES: Next regular meeting will be Thurs, July 30th at 7:30 am.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chairman Fanger declared the mtg adjourned at 1:00 pm.


Susan Lamb, Sully County Auditor
Seal of the County Auditor
Sully County, South Dakota
Susan Lamb, Auditor
No Commission

07.30.2026
Approved


Joe Fanger, Chairman