

**PENNINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PROPOSED REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
JANUARY 7, 2025 9:00 AM  
Commission Chambers County Administration Building**



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• *Ron Rossknecht, Vice Chair, District 1* • *Ron Weifenbach, District 2* • *Deb Hadcock, District 3* • *Jerry Derr, District 4* • *Gary Drewes, District 5*

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**Agenda disclaimer: The preferred practice of the Board is to proceed through the agenda in the order it is published. From time to time, agenda items may be disposed of quickly leaving a gap in the meeting agenda prior to the next advertised agenda item start time. To utilize time effectively in those circumstances, the Board may move items up on the agenda to fill those gaps.**

*Welcome to the January 7, 2025 meeting. Please silence cell phones, pagers, and other electronic communication devices. Agendas and speaker request forms are located at the back of the Chambers.*

1. Call to Order
2. Oaths of Office
  - a. Mr. Ron Weifenbach, District 2
  - b. Mr. Jerry Derr, District 4
3. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum (Teleconference)
4. Moment of Silent Reflection
5. Pledge of Allegiance
6. Welcome of new Board Members and Opening Message (Vice Chair Rossknecht)
7. Review and Approve Agenda
8. Election of 2025 Board Chair and Vice Chair
  - a. Per SDCL § 7-8-15
9. Determination of the 2025 Compensation/Salary for the Commissioners
  - a. Per SDCL § 7-7-3 and § 7-7-5
10. Consent Agenda

**The Board of Commissioners uses a Consent Agenda to act on non-controversial and routine items. The Consent Agenda is acted upon by one motion and vote of the Board. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda at the request of a Board member or a Citizen. The consent agenda contains the following items:**

  - a. Minutes of the regular meeting - December 17, 2024
  - b. Approval of the vouchers in the amount of \$1,830,252.17 (AUD)
  - c. To acknowledge the 2025 annual salary listing required per SDCL § 6-1-10 (AUD)
  - d. To correct a typographical error on the Resolution to Discharge County Aid Liens With no Activity for 30 Years, to reflect the correct amount of \$452,232.38 (AUD)
  - e. To designate the Hill City Prevaler, the Pennington County Courant and the Rapid City Journal as the three official legal newspapers for 2025 (COM)

- f. To acknowledge the notice of intent to conduct a raffle - Rochford Rural Fire Association (*COM*)
- g. To correct the minutes of the November 6, 2024, Board of Commissioner's meeting by adding "with 8 years of service for vacation and sick leave benefits" to the motion regarding the appointment of Kevin Karley as the ESCC Director (*HR*)
- h. To authorize beginning Kevin Karley's rate for accrual of vacation and sick leave benefits at the rate equal to a benefitted employee that has been employed by Pennington County for 8 years and the accrual shall increase by adding the 8 years to the actual years of service utilizing the date he became an employee of the County (*HR*)
- i. To revise the wage amount for Kevin Karley, to reflect the correct amount according to the 2025 wage scale placing him at a P5.2, Step 8, \$4,671.20 bi-weekly, effective December 22, 2024 (*HR*)
- j. To declare the following five (5) vehicles as surplus property for the purpose of trade: Unit 108, 2011 Chevy Impala, Asset #18533; Unit 24, 2021 Chevy Impala, Asset #18040; Unit 25, 2012 Chevy Impala, Asset #02558; Unit 311, 2013 Chevy Impala, Asset #92790; Unit 319, 2013 Ford Explorer, Asset #92718 (*SO*)
- k. To authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase four (4) new 2025 Dodge Durango Pursuit Rated vehicles from Liberty Dodge, 1101 E Omaha St, Rapid City, SD; \$44,526 each for a total cost \$178,104, off of South Dakota State Contract number 17620 (*SO*)
- l. To authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase two (2) new 2024 Chevy Silverado 4-wheel drive pickups from Karl Chevrolet, 5983 NE Industry Dr., Des Moines, IA 50313, at \$53,119.45 each for a total cost of \$106,238.90 off of Iowa State Contract number 24050 (*SO*)
- m. To designate Wells Fargo Bank of South Dakota, N.A. and First Interstate Bank as the primary active depositories for 2025 pursuant to SDCL § 7-20-13 (*TRS*)
- n. To acknowledge the Public Liability Quarterly Report (*TRS*)
- o. To approve the abatement application for tax year 2024 for Julian Witcher, Parcel #62645, \$1,150.67 (*TRS*)

#### Regular Agenda Items

#### 11. Items from Auditor

- a. 2025 Resolution: Establishing the Fees and Mileage Rate for Precinct Workers pursuant to SDCL 12-15-11 and 12-15-7
- b. Renewal Retail (on-sale) Liquor Licenses with Sunday Sales - Horse Creek LLC, New Underwood Roping Club, and TK Saloon & Grill
- c. Transfer Retail (on-sale) Liquor License with Sunday Sales and Retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine License - Moonshine Gulch Saloon LLC

#### 12. 2025 Extension Advisory Board

- a. Action: Member Appointments

#### 13. Items from Human Resources

- a. 2025 Elected Officials Wage Policy Resolution for County State's Attorney (Consideration of wage adjustment for States Attorney Lara Roetzel) (*Cont. from the 12/17/2024 BOC mtg*)

14. Items from Highway Department
  - a. Rural Access Infrastructure Funding Award
  - b. Authorization to Purchase Equipment
  
15. Items from the Public per SDCL § 1-25-1

(Speaker request form is required. A time for the members of the public to discuss or express concerns to the Board of Commissioners on policies and issues affecting County government and its function. Action will not be taken during this section on any issues brought forth that are not properly noticed. Speakers under this section will be recorded in the minutes by name and area of interest.)
  
16. United States Department of Agriculture new federal rules requiring electronic identification tags (EID)
  - a. Resolution in Opposition to Mandatory Electronic Identification (EID) Livestock Tags  
*(Cont. from the 12/17/2024 BOC mtg)*
  
17. Items from Commission Manager
  - a. Board of Commissioners Bylaws and Rules of Procedure - Annual Review
  - b. 2025 Planning Commission Meetings - Commissioner Rotation
  
18. Items from Chair/Commission Members

(A time for individual members to bring forth ideas or concerns to the full Board. Official action will not be taken on any items brought forth at this time. Direction may be given to bring items back before the Board for future consideration.)

  - a. Request to evaluate the outcome of the expectations and the schedule of the 4-day compressed workweek *(Commissioner Weifenbach)*
  - b. Direction on overtime hours in the county - 2022/2023/2024 *(Commissioner Weifenbach)*
  - c. Current status of the Pennington County Public Defender and Operations Building and 900 Concourse Drive – the Pennington County Administration Building  
*(Commissioner Weifenbach)*
  - d. Request for discussion on the legality of the wage changes for Department Heads and Elected Officials as a result of the Open Meetings Commission decisions  
*(Commissioner Weifenbach)*
  
19. Meetings/Committee Reports

*(2025 Committee assignments to be presented at the January 21st Commission Meeting)*  
DH&RR - PC Housing & Redevelopment  
GD&DH - TIF Review Committee
  
20. Executive Session per SDCL § 1-25-2

Personnel Matters(s) per § 1-25-2(1) and/or Contractual/Pending Litigation per § 1-25-2(3)

  - a. Personnel Matters(s) per § 1-25-2(1)
    1. December 19, 2023, Censure (public reprimand) of Commissioner Hadcock  
*(Commissioner Weifenbach)*
  - b. Contractual Matters and/or Proposed or Pending Litigation per § 1-25-2(3)
  
21. Adjourn

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