



**Custer County Commission Meeting
Wednesday, September 17, 2025**

**1881 Courthouse Museum
411 Mount Rushmore Rd.
Courtroom
Custer, SD 57730**

A. Call to Order at 8:00 AM

1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Approve Agenda

C. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of 9-3-2025 Commission Meeting
2. Vouchers
3. Monthly Reports
4. Travel Requests—Michael Baldwin, W&P, to attend SDACD Convention in Huron Sept 21-23, 2025 at a cost of \$512 (to be paid by the Conservation District).

D. Conflict of Interest Declarations

E. Highway Department

1. Approve ROW Occupancy Permit from Mt. Rushmore Telephone Company re: Hwy 36 area non-SDDOT roadways.
2. Approve ROW Occupancy Permit from Golden West re: Rimfire Road.
3. Authorize expenditure from RAIF funds for culvert project on America Center/French Creek crossing.

F. Planning Department

1. Approve Cell Tower Modification re: Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation Parcel #000060.
2. Approve Cell Tower Modification re: Chris Voss Parcel #015239
3. Approve Variance Request re: Dennis Van Laecken Parcel #015621
4. GIS Discussion

G. Maintenance

1. Approve new hire, Keith Jatton as Maintenance II Tech. with a start date of 9-8-25 at a rate of \$22/hour. This is a full-time, fully benefitted position.

H. Airport

1. Approve & sign Mead & Hunt Contract for Runway 8/26 Project and Environmental assessment.

I. 8:30 AM Public Hearing

1. Highway Department 5-Year Plan and presentation of Annual Bridge Report.

J. Human Resources

1. Approve Mike Baldwin moving from hourly to salary position at a rate of \$57,428.80 annually. (\$27.61/hour)

2. Approve completion of 1-year probationary period for the following Department Heads and new wages effective 10-6-25: Scott Storms, DOE, salary of \$67,000 annually; Amber Maidens, HR, hourly rate of \$25.
3. Approve full health benefits to employees who work 28-hours or more a week.
4. Approve advertising for full-time, fully-benefitted Deputy Auditor II position at a starting wage of \$17.77/hour.
4. Approve advertising for part-time Nurse Secretary position at a starting wage of \$17.00/hour.

K. Public Comment

Meetings of the Board of Commissioners are open to the public. The audience will be allowed to comment on specific agenda items during the time allotted on the agenda for those items, according to established procedures of the Commission. This is a time for members of the public to express concerns or discuss issues having relevance to the County. Anyone wishing to address the Commission during this time shall be asked to identify themselves. The number of presentations and time allotted to individuals may be limited by the Chairman and individuals shall refrain from discussing personalities. The Chairman, at his discretion, may recognize patrons at other times during the Board meeting. No action will be taken by the Commission on any issue raised without being first placed on a future agenda, by the Commission, to allow for proper notice.

L. Search & Rescue

1. Approve 2025-2026 General Services Contract with Custer State Park in the amount of \$9,172.90.
2. Approve surplus of 2 2016 Yamaha Kodiak 700 ATVs for public auction.

M. Commission

1. IT Contract
2. Mail call-a) letter from SD DOT re: Landowner Meeting for Input re: Project NH-CR 0016(64)26 Custer County PCN 4794; b) letter from DANR re: Surface Water Discharge Permit SD GFP CSP Game Lodge.
3. Meeting schedule
4. Meeting reports

N. Executive Session

1. Executive Session as per SDCL 1-25-2(3) Contract/Legal
2. Executive Session as per SDCL 28-13.42 Indigent Request

O. Adjourn

1. Adjourn the meeting

Next Meeting Date: 10-8-2025

Custer County fully subscribes to the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you desire to attend this public meeting and are in need of accommodations, please notify the Commissioners' Office at (605) 673-8173 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting so that appropriate services and auxiliary aids are available.

*****Budget Hearings to be held at 1:00 PM following today's Commission Meeting. Hearings will take place in the Commission Room, 420 Mt. Rushmore Rd, Custer SD*****