

# COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT

**TO:** The Members of the County Commission

**DATE** 2/11/2026

**SUBJECT:** Departmental notes for the February 17, 2026, County Commission meeting.

**PREPARED BY:** Robert W. Hill, County Development Director/Emergency Manager

February 4, 2026: Submitted a newspaper article to the Brookings Register. The topic was weather-related.

February 06 - 07, 2026: The office had a Brookings Home Show Booth. We passed out emergency management-related materials to the public.

February -7, 2026: Attended a Civil Air Patrol (CAP) full-scale exercise at the City of Brookings Airport. They flew three (3) missions for the county. I shared the photos from the Medary Township-Big Sioux River Dike flight with our contracting firm working on that subject.

February 9, 2026: Went on KBRK 1430 Radio and discussed emergency management topics.

February 11, 2026: I met with Deputy Police Chief Ryan Baranyos to discuss IPAWS.

February 12, 2026: A PPCC/POD meeting was held at the Brookings Hospital. Incident Command System training was conducted.

February 18, 2026: A Tri-State Emergency Management Meeting is being held in Sioux Falls, SD. An SDOEM Region 1 meeting will be held afterwards. A travel request has been submitted.

February 19, 2026: A Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2026.

The County Development 2025 End of Year Report will be discussed during the meeting..

Any items received/accomplished after 12:00 PM on February 11, 2026, will be discussed in person at the Commission Meeting.