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Box Elder Employee Named South Dakota Code Officer of the Year

FORT PIERRE, SD – Chad Tomjack, Building Inspector for the City of Box Elder, was named Code Enforcement Officer of the Year this week by the South Dakota Association of Code Enforcement (SoDACE).

The award is given each year to a member of the association for their years of service as well as outstanding contributions to their municipality as a code enforcement officer, contributions to their community as a citizen, and personal accomplishments.

Tomjack was recognized for his exceptional work ethic, dedication to helping citizens, and commitment to enforcing codes fairly and effectively.

"Chad truly stands out due to his dedication to going the extra mile to assist citizens in understanding and meeting code requirements," said Wayne Rasmussen, Box Elder Safety and Risk Manager, who nominated Tomjack for the award. "He consistently takes the time to educate residents on regulations and ordinances while working closely with them to develop practical solutions for achieving compliance."

As a code enforcement officer, Tomjack's role is extremely important in maintaining and improving the quality of life for residents, said Rasmussen. By enforcing building codes and ordinances, he ensures that structures are safe, sanitary, and in compliance with regulations. This not only protects the health and safety of the community, but also helps prevent deterioration in the city. In addition, Tomjack's work helps to uphold property values and create a more attractive environment for residents and visitors.

Tomjack is also an advocate and helper in his community, donating his time to various organizations that assists pets in need as well as to the American Legion. As a member of the American Legion, Tomjack helps provide support and resources to veterans and their families, ensuring they receive the assistance they deserve.

The award was presented during the annual SoDACE Information and Training Conference held at Drifters Event Center in Fort Pierre on May 8-9.

SoDACE is an affiliate association of the South Dakota Municipal League. The statewide association works to advance, educate, and improve efforts of state, county, city, and other political subdivision employees who are actively involved with and responsible for the enforcement of housing, municipal, county, state, or federal codes. For more information, visit www.sdmunicipalleague.org/codeenforcement.





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Dave Smith, President of the South Dakota Association of Code Enforcement Association, congratulates Chad Tomjack (right), Building Inspector for the City of Box Elder, on his award. Tomjack was named the association's Code Enforcement Officer of the Year this week at their annual spring meeting.