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## **Box Elder's Amanda Spitzer Earns Elite CPP Status**

Box Elder, South Dakota - City of Box Elder, Amanda Spitzer, Payroll and Benefits Specialist for the City of Box Elder, has recently earned the prestigious Certified Payroll Professional (CPP) certification, awarded by PayrollOrg (PAYO). Formed in 2023 through the merger of the American Payroll Association and the Global Payroll Management Institute, PAYO is the leading authority in payroll education and certification. Amanda's achievement places her among an elite group. She is now one of only eight professionals in the entire state of South Dakota to hold this nationally recognized credential.

The CPP designation is reserved for individuals who demonstrate advanced payroll knowledge, experience, and dedication to professional excellence. To earn the certification, candidates must meet strict eligibility criteria and pass a rigorous 4-hour exam consisting of 190 questions, requiring a score of 80% or higher to pass.

Amanda began studying for the exam back in February, investing months of hard work and dedication to reach this milestone.

"Earning my CPP certification was a big professional goal of mine, and I'm genuinely excited to bring this new level of knowledge to the city," said Spitzer.

Darcie Castleberry, the City's Human Resources Director, had this to say about her accomplishment:

"Amanda is a valuable asset to the Human Resource Department. Watching her pursue and earn her payroll certification has been inspiring. Her payroll certification demonstrates a strong commitment to her craft and raises the standard of expertise for our entire team!"

The City of Box Elder places a strong emphasis on supporting its employees in their continued education and professional development. Amanda's achievement reflects both her personal drive and the city's commitment to employee growth.



