

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, February 16, 2021

Chairman Schoenrock with members Bumgardner, Fox, Kjetland and Waldera present called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, February 16, 2021. Also present was the County Auditor.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Fox to approve the meeting minutes from February 2, 2021. Motion carried.

Clerk of Courts fees collected for the month of January 2021 totaled \$1,556.67.

No citizens input.

Clinton Degen, Hwy Superintendent, and the Board reviewed and discussed snow removal policies. It was determined that whatever snow removal policy is adopted it needs to be enforced. Enforcement on items like starting snow removal right at 7:00 a.m. or earlier, sending blades when and where they are needed and working over-time hours, if weather is favorable, but limit overtime when possible. Motion Fox, seconded by Waldera to adopt a policy similar to McCook County's which allows the Hwy Superintendent, at his discretion and adequate weather conditions, which roads are plowed and at what sequence. A policy will be written to fit Hanson County and presented at the next meeting for approval. All voted aye, motion carried.

Degen presented a list of projects and items that he would like to complete this year based on his budget.

As it is in the County's best interest, a motion was made by Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to accept Beadle County's low bid from TrueNorth Steel for the County's 2021 supply of corrugated metal culverts and bridge material. All voted aye, motion carried. The bid in its entirety can be viewed in the Auditor's Office.

Paperwork was presented showing a transfer of ownership for the building on Emery's Main St. The paperwork dated February 11, 2021 shows the building is now owned by Emery Development Inc. The City of Emery would like the Hwy departments help tearing down and removing the building. The Board discussed the possibility of charging a per hour rate. Motion Fox, seconded by Bumgardner to table any decision on this matter until the ownership of the building can be verified in the Register of Deeds office. Waldera voted nay, motion was carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Kjetland to approve expenses for the Hwy Superintendent to attend the SDACHS Short Course in Deadwood on March 23-25, 2021. All voted aye, motion carried.

Degen presented three estimates to replace the engine in the 2000 Dodge pickup. As this is a secondary vehicle and budget allows, motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to allow for the engine replacement in the 2000 Dodge Pickup. Estimates ranged from \$5,000.00 to \$9,000.00. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Fox, seconded by Bumgardner and carried to recess Board of Commissioners to conduct business as the Drainage Board.

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

Jim Davies, States Attorney, discussed and answered questions regarding approaches, bills paid by the County, a hazardous ditch, a ditch maintenance agreement, and ditching done without permits.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Kjetland to enter into executive session with the States Attorney at 10:36 a.m. for personnel as defined in SDCL 1-25-2.1. Motion carried.

Executive session ended at 10:55 a.m.

No action was taken on the Fire Suppression Assistance at this time. Don Huber, Emergency Manager, is looking to see if any future action is needed.

Christi Pierson, DOE, gave an update on the assessment notices that will be going out next week and the process landowners have to appeal their assessed value to the Board of Equalization.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the James Valley Landscape two step lawn care agreement for 2021. Fox voted nay; motion carried.

Commissioners Spring Workshop to be held March 17th and 18th was discussed.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to allow payment of the following bills. All voted aye, motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,126.60, Auditor: 2,842.86, Treasurer: 3,333.43, States Attorney: 2,455.41, Custodian: 1,759.09, Director of Equalization: 4,771.44, Register of Deeds: 2,663.39, Veterans Service Officer: 316.75, Sheriff: 7,874.59, LEPC: 130.32, Nurse Clerical: 368.08, Extension: 1,000.93, Drainage: 134.55, Planning & Zoning: 765.72, Highway: 19,953.50, E911, 87.87. BILLS: Alex City, 108.67, water, sewer; American Stamp, 34.85, seal; Appera, 114.57, towels, mats, mops; Bob Berg Electric, 1,714.48, lights, bulbs, labor; BIT, 65.75, email, access fee; Connecting Point, 120.00, transfer fee; Darrington, 300.00, rent; State 4-H, 30.00, tags; Farmers Alliance, 90.01, gas; Fink Law, 150.00, drainage appeal; Galls, 869.25, uniforms, badges; McLeod's, 4,998.00, plat cabinet paid for with M & P funds; Menard's, 323.78, paint, supplies; Mitchell Iron & Supply, 47.62, weld D ring; Morgan Theeler, 3,000.00, public defender; New Century Press, 339.10, publishing; North American Truck & Trailer, 309.82, camshaft; Northwestern, 328.93, heat; Office Advantage, 835.50, laptop service, service call, copier lease; Pheasant Land, 169.35, uniforms; Qualified Presort, 719.04, postage for assessment notices; Rose Moore, 25.00, sew patches; Running's, 101.47, tool box, measuring tape; SD Dept. of Public Safety, 2,962.00, teletype; State of SD, 40.00, blood alcohols; SD Sheriff's Assoc., 115.00, registration; Sturdevant's, 509.36, filters, supplies; Thomson Reuters, 626.99, info charges; Triotel,

1,008.12, phone bill; Dava Wermers, 1,175.95, CAA; Wheelco, 1,049.56, mirror, brake kit, bushings; Wingen's, 293.92, gas; Xcel, 502.62, electricity.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion by Fox and seconded by Waldera to adjourn until Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. All voted aye, motion carried.

Gary Schoenrock, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lesa Trabing, Auditor

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