

It was moved by Chester McManus and seconded by Tom Bell that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE # 33

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT A WHEEL TAX FOR EACH VEHICLE LICENSED IN HANSON COUNTY SOUTH DAKOTA

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT:

(1) Imposition of Tax. Hanson County does hereby impose a wheel tax on vehicles licensed in Hanson County, South Dakota.

(2) Rate of Tax.

(a) The tax will be effective July 1, 2012, at the rate of two dollars (\$2) per wheel per vehicle, and not to exceed eight dollars (\$8) per vehicle; and

(b) Effective January 1, 2013, at the rate of four dollars (\$4) per wheel per vehicle, and not to exceed sixteen dollars (\$16) per vehicle.

(3) Vehicles Covered. This tax shall apply to all vehicles, including trailers defined in SDCL 32-3-1, which are licensed in Hanson County.

(4) Distribution of Proceeds from Tax. The distribution of the money collected from this wheel tax shall, from time to time, be established or adjusted, by resolution of the Board of Commissioners

(a) To Hanson County road maintenance fund: 80%;

(b) To the organized municipalities within Hanson County: 5%; and

(c) To the Townships in Hanson County: 15%.

(5) Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2012.

Justification for Ordinance:

(a) Pursuant to SDCL, Chapter 32-5A, Hanson County has the authority to impose a wheel tax on all motor vehicles including trailers as defined in SDCL 32-3-1, registered in the County; and

(b) It appears that the County as well as the Municipalities and Townships located within the County will need additional funds for highway and bridge maintenance and construction; and

(c) It appears that the most equitable manner to raise such funds is through a wheel tax; and

(d) The Board of County Commissioners of Hanson County, South Dakota deems it necessary for the purpose of promoting the health, safety and general welfare of the County, to impose a wheel tax on all vehicles registered in the County;

(e) This money collected through a wheel tax would be specifically designated for highway maintenance; and

(f) Better roads and highways would be a benefit to all the citizens and residences of Hanson County, South Dakota.

Votes For: 4;

Votes Against: Engelmeyer.

Motion Carried.

Dated April 3, 2012.



Richard Graves, Chairman
Hanson County Commissioner

ATTEST:



Lesa Trabing, Auditor
Hanson County

First Reading: March 20, 2012

Second Reading: April 3, 2012

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