

**HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Tuesday, September 24, 2024**

Chairman Fox with members Bumgardner, Kjetland, Schoenrock and Waldera present, called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, September 24, 2024.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

No conflict of interest.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the September 3rd meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schoenrock presented information from the SDACC Convention that he, Bumgardner and Fox attended.

No citizens input.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent and Don Henglefeld, Beulah Township, presented and explained the Beulah Township application for a Rural Access Infrastructure project. Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the Beulah Township application for culvert replacements on 264<sup>th</sup> St. Estimated project cost is \$32,896.10 with the Township paying 20% and the Rural Infrastructure fund will cover the remaining 80%. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2025 Preliminary Engineering BIG agreement for bridge #31-010-149. All members voted aye, motion carried. The grant will cover 80% of the cost to engineer this bridge.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the following stipulation for accepting the 2024 gravel bid as both parties still agree with the original bid price of \$7.00 a ton. All voted aye, motion carried. Werning's also agreed to accept payment for 33,000 ton of crushed gravel in 2024 and payment for an additional 17,000 ton in 2025.

Stipulation for Gravel Bid

**I. STIPULATIONS**

WHEREAS, Hanson County had advertised for bids for processing gravel for use by the Hanson County Highway Department, which bids were opened on June 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received from Albert Werning, and there were no other bids;

WHEREAS the bid in all respects met the conditions for the bid requirements and was acceptable to the Hanson County Board of Commissions except for one item, which was the fact that Albert Werning as the bidding party did not yet have a conditional use

permit for operating a mine operation to provide the gravel; and

WHEREAS, based thereupon, the Board of Commissioners did table that bid opening matter to a future date; and

WHEREAS, as of this point in time Albert Werning has in fact received his conditional use permit for operation of the gravel pit mine and all other aspects of the bid submitted remain in compliance with the requirements that Hanson County had set;

NOW, THEREFOR, IT IS AGREED AND STIPULATED by the parties hereto that:

## **II. AGREEMENT**

- A. The parties to this agreement are Albert Werning of 42320 272<sup>nd</sup> St. Emery, SD 57332, a sole proprietor, and Hanson County South Dakota, a local government subdivision, acting by and through his duly elected, qualified and acting representatives, Curtis Fox, board chairman and Lesa Trabing, Auditor of P.O. Box 500 Alexandria, SD 57311.
- B. Agreement. The parties do hereby agree that any limitations of the extended time during which action upon this bid was tabled are hereby waived and accepted by each party and the board of commissioners can proceed to consider whether or not to accept or reject the bid as originally submitted by Albert Werning.
- C. The purpose of this agreement is to set forth the terms and explain the lapse of time between the initial bid opening and the county's acceptance of the bid and the length of time that bid had actually been tabled for.
- D. Each party specifically agrees that the board of commissioners can now accept or reject this bid as though all conditions had been met on June 6, 2024, the date of the original bid opening.

Dated: September 24, 2024.

/s/Albert Werning

/s/Curtis Fox, Hanson County Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/Lesa Trabing, Auditor  
(SEAL)

Quotes to purchase or lease a different tractor were reviewed to replace the current 2024 JD Tractor rental agreement with C & B Operations. A decision on this agenda item will be made after the States Attorney presents his findings of the questions asked pertaining to the current JD tractor lease/rental agreement later in the meeting.

For safety reasons, Roth presented an estimated cost just over \$8,000.00 to add tapered ends to the culverts on the three miles of 421<sup>st</sup> Ave. north of Alexandria. Before a decision is made to do this, Roth will experiment on a smaller culvert to see if they can

successfully angle a culvert with a cutting torch to create a safe slope on the existing culvert end. Policy going forward will be to not have the extra culvert length sticking out in the ditch like the previous administration did.

Roth gave an update on the trucks, grader and gravel trailer repairs done and needed.

Waldera left the meeting.

Brandon Wingert, Sheriff/EM, joined to give the Board an office update reporting 1,421 calls for service and 112 sets of papers served so far this year. Freshman Impact was held last week with 222 students present. The new pickup is scheduled for equipment installation next week and reported the current mileage for each of the department vehicles and general maintenance repairs needed. Wingert gave an update on the June Flood progress and the townships that did not submit any damage reports. Wingert spoke briefly about the Mitchell ambulance service and verified that service will continue in Hanson County but talks of funding will most likely be circulating in the future.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the EM expenditure for tracks, cab, rear window and heater for the UTV. All voted aye, motion carried. Homeland Security funds awarded to Hanson County will cover the cost of this equipment.

Jim Davies, States Attorney, informed the Board that after reviewing the C & B tractor rental agreement, he sees no reason in the contract why the Highway Department can't keep using the tractor and recommends doing so. The County will then pay the agreement price per day once they are done mowing ditches.

Davies stated that there is no further information on the City lease agreements at this time and nothing more on the part time States Attorney benefits.

The 2025 Provisional Budget was presented. It was moved by Kjetland and seconded by Bumgardner to adopt the Provisional Budget as the 2025 Annual Budget with the following changes made after publication: Cash Balance Applied: from \$492,618 to \$500,718; Current Property Tax from \$2,013,843 to \$2,010,745. All voted aye, motion carried.

	Tax Levy in	
COUNTY TAX LEVIES	Dollars	\$'s/1,000
WITHIN LIMITED LEVY:		
* General County Purposes (10-12-9)	\$2,010,745.00	\$2.389
Library	\$10,000.00	\$0.013
OUTSIDE LIMITED LEVY:		
Road & Bridge Opt-Out (7-25-1)	\$500,000.00	\$0.594
Courthouse Bond (7-24-18)	\$0.00	\$0.00
LEVY – SUB-TOTAL		
OTHER SPECIAL LEVIES		
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED BY COUNTY	\$2,520,745.00	\$2.996

\* These Amounts include the 25% to be distributed to cities.

As of September 24, 2024 these levies are not approved by the Department of Revenue.

## Adoption of Annual Budget for Hanson County, South Dakota

WHEREAS, (7-21-5 thru 13), SDCL provides that the Board of County Commissioners shall each year prepare a Provisional Budget of all contemplated expenditures and revenues of the County and all its institutions and agencies for such fiscal year and, WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners did prepare a Provisional Budget and cause same to be published by law, and

WHEREAS, due and legal notice has been given to the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the consideration of such Provisional Budget and all changes, eliminations and additions have been made thereto.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That such provisional budget as amended and all its purposes, schedules, appropriations, amounts, estimates and all matters therein set forth, shall be approved and adopted as the annual budget of the appropriation and expenditures for Hanson County, South Dakota and all its institutions and agencies for calendar year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025 and the same is hereby approved and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Hanson County, South Dakota, this 24th day of September, 2024. The Annual Budget so adopted is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the County Auditor Hanson County, South Dakota. The accompanying taxes are levied by Hanson County for the year January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

Board of County Commissioners of Hanson County, South Dakota

/s/ Curtis Fox, Chairman

/s/ John Bumgardner, Commissioner

/s/ Bruce Kjetland, Commissioner

/s/ Gary Schoenrock, Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Lesa Trabing, County Auditor (SEAL)

A public hearing was held regarding the one-day liquor license for the Hunter's Den to operate at the Almond Branch on October 5, 2024. No one was present to oppose, motion Bumgardner, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the license. Motion carried.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to allow payment of the following bills. All voted aye, motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES (two pay periods and benefits): Commissioners: 4,338.20, Auditor: 7,021.52, Treasurer: 9,442.55, States Attorney: 6,029.46, Custodian: 4,384.63, Director of Equalization: 10,273.05, Register of Deeds: 6,189.87, Sheriff: 19,041.80, Nurse Clerical: 1,442.22, Extension: 2,906.78, Drainage: 548.52, Planning & Zoning: 1,175.03, Highway: 41,310.10, E911: 163.82, Emergency & Disaster: 660.81. BILLS: A&B, 92.02, copier lease; A-Ox, 188.37, supplies; Addy, 186.00, garbage; Alex City, 164.15, water, sewer; Appeara, 45.34, mats, mops; AT&T, 109.38, cell bill; Auto Zone, 121.59, belt; Avera Queen of Peace, 137.00, blood alcohol; Avera Occupational, 142.00, drug testing; Kyle Beach, 1,055.46, state fair lodging; Brooks Oil, 13,998.00; diesel; Brosz, 2,230.00, bridge inspection; BIT, 77.50, email, access fee; C & B, 845.77, tractor window, seal; CHS, 140.90, gas, oil change, propane; Dakota Fluid, 1,739.99, truck repairs; Dakota Traffic Services, 11,688.21, pavement markings; Davison County Sheriff, 8,820.00, jail bill; ES&S, 10,65.44, election

programming; Fleet Pride, 421.47, mud flaps; Curtis Fox, 646.86, mileage, lodging; Graham Tire, 844.37, tires; Hillyard, 517.68, cleaner; I-State Truck, 2,730.54, truck repairs; JABR, 1,000.00, trucking; James Valley Landscape, 793.82, lawn care, sprinkler repair; Lawson, 1,460.61, shop supplies; Lewis & Clark Behavioral, 213.00, mental eval; McCook County, 240.00, bridge plank; McLeod's, 1,066.32, absentee voting envelopes, binders, tickets; Lisa McManus, 180.05, mileage; Menard's, 235.08, filters, cleaner, nails; Midwest Alarm, 130.64, monitoring; City of Mitchell, 1,250.00, qrtly ambulance; Mitchell Concrete, 560.00, concrete, mileage; Mitchell Iron & Supply, 192.83, Morgan Theeler, 3,580.50, Deputy States Attorney; New Century Press, 748.57, publishing; Northwestern, 10.00, heat; Office Advantage, 3,459.26, copier lease, laptop service, managed services, hardware lease; Postmaster, 305.00, election postage; Quill, 133.68, paper, binders, keyboard; RDO, 141.71, hose, clamp; Running's, 104.98, flood light; Santel, 30.00, trunking fees; Terri Lembcke Schildhauer, 279.00, court reporting; State of SD, 120.00, blood alcohols; SD DOR, 208.64, excise tax; SDACC, 362.00, CLERP payment; Sign Pro, 822.00, new pickup decals; Spencer Quarries, 2,209.35, rip rap; State Bar, 500.00, fast case; Brenda Steilen, 14.28, mileage; Penny Speich, 1,231.65, state fair lodging; Thomson Reuters, 1,810.80, info charges; Transource, 892.66, panel, lock, control; Triotel, 1,034.54, phone bill; Tru by Hilton, 568.92, lodging; Tru North Steel, 7,577.26, culverts; Verizon, 65.58, cell bill; Vern Eide, 89.96, tire balance; Visa, 1,455.11, postage, keyless entry, wagon, lodging; Wingen's, 590.80, gas; Deb Wollman, 37.17, supplies; Xcel, 506.81, electricity; Human Service Center, 659.19, mental illness care; Hanson Rural Water, 212.85, utility assistance.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion Bumgardner, seconded by Schoenrock to adjourn until Tuesday, October 1, 2024. All voted aye, motion carried.

Curtis Fox, Chairman  
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:  
Lesa Trabing, Auditor  
(SEAL)

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