

**HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Tuesday, November 19, 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, November 19, 2024.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

No conflict of interest.

Motion Schoenrock, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the November 7th meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Fox briefly talked about the Mitchell Ambulance meeting that he and Sheriff Wingert attended. More discussion on this will be held later in the meeting as it is a scheduled agenda item.

Mike and Kim Ostbye joined for citizen input to talk about the trucks leaving the Mitchell Quarry on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> heading east on 257<sup>th</sup> St. Videos of speed and the trucks going uphill in the center of the road were shown to the Board. Adding a 35 mph speed limit east of the quarry will be on the December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting agenda.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, continues to look for a new truck and will obtain quotes to have rumble strips added to 421<sup>st</sup> Ave. at the Hwy 38 intersection.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to approve and authorize the Auditor to conduct an auto supplement of \$55,214.60 to the Road & Bridge budget for BIG funds received. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Kjetland to recess Board of Commissioners to conduct business as the Drainage Board. Motion carried.

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

Sheriff Brandon Wingert presented the 2025 Sioux Falls Humane Society's Animal Control and Impoundment Facility Agreement for approval. Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve and authorize Sheriff Wingert to sign the agreement. All voted aye, motion carried. Hanson County will only pay if services are rendered by the Humane Society.

Sheriff Wingert presented additional information from the Mitchell Ambulance meeting including the possibility of a taxing district being created to help fund the ambulance service as the entity continues to run in a deficit every year. Several options for creating and funding districts to efficiently keep ambulance response time for all residents adequate. The Board authorized Wingert to check with McCook and Mitchell Ambulance services to talk about funding and coverage areas.

Jim Davies, States Attorney, reviewed the pending Public Health Nurse contract with the State of SD and the transition of Reid Kiner into the Deputy States Attorney position.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded Waldera to surplus the following items for disposal: Singer sewing machine, electric typewriter, storage box, digital camera, pellet injector, implant revolver, projector, camera and camera bag. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to approve and authorize the Auditor to conduct an auto supplement of \$2,063.79 to the Sheriff's budget with grant funds received. All voted aye, motion carried.

Julie Dykstra, DOH Regional Manager and Wade Huntington, DOH Assistant Director of Operations, joined to talk about the pending public health nurse contract with the State Department of Health. After the restructuring of County health departments by the State a lot of changes were made to the offices including the way services are administered, effecting the number of days the health nurse is needed in Hanson County. As continued support of the health nurse office in Hanson County is wanted a motion was made by Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the amended 2024 contract for an annual rate of \$2,964.00 based on the number of days Deb Wollman has been stationed in Hanson County this past year. All voted aye, motion carried.

As Deb Wollman, County Health Nurse, will only be present in Hanson County one day a week on Thursdays starting in mid-December, the 2025 contract price was negotiated to \$1,976.00 a year. The 2025 contract will be formally approved once it has been received from the state.

Auditor Trabing presented the results of the Post Election Audit from the November 5, 2024 General Election. Amendment F and Amendment G ballot questions were hand counted and audited from Precincts #1 by a three-person board. After manually counting the races, the results matched the election night tabulator count with 100% accuracy showing no discrepancies. The PEA results will be sent to the SD Secretary of State's office.

Cole Wenande, Wenande Insurance, and Mike LeBrun, Dice Financial, presented quotes for Avera and Wellmark health insurance for 2025. After all options were reviewed a motion by Kjetland, seconded by Waldera, was made selecting the Avera 2000 plan through Wenande Insurance. All members voted aye, motion carried. This Avera plan reflects a 7.5% decrease in premiums compared to the current Health Partners renewal rate for 2025.

Timesheet were reviewed by the Board and a motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve payroll and payment of the following bills. Motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,169.06, Auditor: 4,121.28, Treasurer: 4,606.47, States Attorney: 3,014.74, Custodian: 2,192.32, Director of Equalization: 4,802.69, Register of Deeds: 3,138.51, Sheriff: 9,499.06, Nurse Clerical: 1,002.40, Extension: 1,453.39, Drainage: 139.73, Planning & Zoning: 447.65, Highway: 20,814.49, E911: 82.23, Emergency & Disaster: 331.59. BILLS: A-Ox, 182.55, supplies; Addy, 186.00, garbage pickup; Auto Zone, 95.47, wipers, valve; Avera McKennan, 3,904.64, jail medical; Kyle Beach, 100.37, class supplies; Brosz, 16,967.50, engineering; CHS, 85.60, oil change; Davison Sheriff, 7,665.00, jail bill; Doug's, 5,699.44, door dent repairs; Geotek, 220.00, gravel testing; Graham, 667.64, tires; JABR, 2,100.00, trucking; James

Valley, 159.50, sprinkler winterization; Reid Kiner, 3,580.50, Deputy States Attorney; Lewis, 68.37, jail meds; Mettler, 17,019.70, tracks, accessories (grant reimbursement); Mitchell Clinic, 156.00, jail medical; New Century Press, 785.48, publishing; Northwestern, 10.42, heat; Office Advantage, 3,124.32, hardware lease, managed services, copier lease; SF Humane Society, 275.08, animal call; True North Steel, 12,771.75, culverts; Verizon, 65.58, cell bill; Xcel, 264.49, electricity.

Being as there was no further business for the day a motion by Kjetland and seconded by Schoenrock to adjourn until Tuesday, December 3, 2024. All voted aye, motion carried.

Curtis Fox, Chairman  
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lesla Trabing, Auditor  
(SEAL)

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