

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, December 3, 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, December 3, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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 Waldera to approve the November 19th meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bumgardner reported on the Dakota Counseling meeting he attended stating that the new crisis center in Mitchell will be opening soon.

No citizen input.

The Auditor's account balanced with the Treasurer's account in the amount of \$3,771,087.53 in all county, state, civil, school, CD and trust accounts as of November 30, 2024. General Fund, 1,639,356.48; CD's, 431,840.00; Restricted Funds: Road & Bridge, 1,075,188.72; E911, 29,353.02; County Library, 13,128.40; Emergency & Disaster, -11,837.22; Domestic Abuse, 865.72; 24/7 Program, 7,282.74; M & P, 63,163.96; Township Infrastructure, 144,869.16; Courthouse Bond, 17,034.25; Schools, 185,706.17; Townships, 23,440.89; Cities, 39,177.77; JRWDD, 1,757.32; Treasurer Trust, 12,804.98; State Motor Vehicle, 105,497.23; LEPC, 865.69; State Clearing, 564.07; Fire Districts, 6,718.93; Law Library, 7,750.14.

Register of Deeds fees for the month of November 2024 totaled \$2,111.50.

Clerk of Courts fees collected for November 2024 totaled \$5,034.00.

Hwy Superintendent, Ronnie Roth reported that SD LTAP will be in Hanson County tomorrow to help determine the appropriate speed limit and correct sign placement on 257th St. west of Alexandria by the quarry. LTAP will also look at and help determine the correct repairs needed on 247th St. to fix the road properly to last longer.

A quote of \$9,938.00 was presented to add ground in rumble strips on 421st Ave. at the Hwy 38 intersection. Roth will return next meeting with a quote to do just the wheel tracks and a timeline of when this can be done. An option of doing this inhouse by adding raised strips is also an option but not snow plow friendly.

Eric Prunty, Brosz Engineering, present the final application for payment for the Old Mill Road preservation grant. Motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to approve

payment of \$59,232.07 and authorize the Chairman to sign the application. All voted aye, motion carried.

The Certificate of Substantial Completion was also present for the Old Mill Road bridge. As all repairs have been completed a motion by Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the certificate. All voted aye, motion carried.

As the Road & Bridge budget allows a motion by Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the Hwy Superintendents tire purchases at the approximate cost of \$16,000.00. All voted aye, motion carried.

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

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

Brandon Wingert, Sheriff/EM, introduced Dan Pollreisz, Stephanie Ellwein, Amy Storm and Shannon Sandavol that joined the meeting to discuss the plan to hopefully create an ambulance district to implement a tax levy to fund the district that will cover all of Hanson County. As the rising need for ambulance service is here the funds generated through a levy would be used to employ additional personnel to man the ambulances. Additional information will be presented at a future meeting on the number of ambulance calls in Hanson County and how many of those are on I-90. The Board is in favor of this idea because if funding is not available the City of Mitchell's ambulance service will no longer service Hanson County because ambulance service is considered non-essential in SD. Further community discussion on this will take place and the vote of the people will need to pass to create the taxing district. The current ambulance service has funding for 2025 through the city of Mitchell.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the following resolution and paperwork needed to update Hanson County's Hazard Mitigation Plan.

APPOINTMENT OF APPLICANT AGENT For the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program

WHEREAS **Hanson County** is submitting a Hazard Mitigation Assistance application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the State of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS **Hanson County** is required to appoint an Applicant Agent for the purpose of signing documents and assuring the completion of all application documents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that **Hanson County** appoints Brandon Wingert as the authorized Applicant Agent.

Dated this 3rd day of December 2024.

Appointing Authority

Name: Curtis Fox

Hanson County Commission Chairman

/s/ Curtis Fox

Appointed Agent

Name: Brandon Wingert

Hanson County Emergency Management Director

/s/Brandon Wingert

Votes for: 5 Votes against: 0 Motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to approve and authorize the auditor to conduct an auto supplement of \$5,199.44 to the Sheriff's budget for insurance money received to repair the pickup damage. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2025 Lake County Jail agreement. All voted aye, motion carried. Price per day when used will be \$90.00.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2025 Davison County Jail agreement. All voted aye, motion carried. Price per day remains the same at \$105.00.

Kyle Beach, 4-H Youth Educator, explained the 4-H Regional Model update that will take effect January 1st and the options Hanson County will have for employing an educator as Kyle has accepted the Central Regional Educator position and resigned his position in Hanson County effective December 22, 2024. Hanson County's Regional Educator, Hilary Kroupa, will be based out of Brookings, who will offer programing and guidance to the educator Hanson County employs. Hiring within is the County's best option and will have this as an agenda item at the December 17th meeting.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2025 Minnehaha Juvenile Detention Center agreement. All voted aye, motion carried. Price per day when utilized is \$497.80 for JDC and \$296.14 per day for Lutheran Social Services.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Schoenrock to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2025 Public Health Nurse agreement with the SD DOH. All voted aye, motion carried. The contract price for 2025 was negotiated to \$1,976.00 as the state is only allowing Deb Wollman, Public Health Nurse, to be stationed in Hanson County one day a week.

As the number of customers visiting the Veteran Service Officer in Hanson County is low, the Board and TJ Thomas, VSO, agreed that having the Veterans office open in Hanson County two days a month will be adequate. A Veterans Service Officer will be present at the courthouse the first and third Thursday of each month from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Hanson County residents are also welcome to stop in the Davison County office anytime.

The salary, secretarial compensation and benefits for Reid Kiner, States Attorney elect, were discussed. Reid will be invited to the December 17th meeting to discuss these items with the Board.

Jim Davies, States Attorney, updated the Board on the pending City leases for the 4-H buildings and Quonset, the Dakota Constructors case and commissioners financial interest statements needed by the end of the year.

Timesheets were reviewed by the Board and a motion by Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve payroll and payment of the following bills. Motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,169.13, Auditor: 3,975.37, Treasurer: 4,606.46, States Attorney: 3,014.72, Custodian: 2,192.30, Director of Equalization: 5,043.60, Register of Deeds: 3,109.48, Sheriff: 9,878.18, Nurse Clerical: 987.05, Extension: 1,453.39, Drainage: 139.71, Planning & Zoning: 814.77, Highway: 20,825.85, E911: 82.23, Emergency & Disaster: 331.65. Bills: A & B, 96.60, copier lease; Ace Hardware, 467.86, locks, fuel treatment, lights, filters; Appeara, 109.64, mats, mops; AT&T, 660.98, cell bills; Auto Value, 32.48, wipers; Bridgewater Emery Library, 5,000.00, tax allocations; Certified Language, 29.70, translation; Dailey Law, 4,500.00, public defender; Devy Interpret, 50.00, translation; DMC, 11,147.76, snow plow blades; Graham, 2,552.00, tires; Hampton Inn, 219.39, lodging; Hanson Community Library, 5,000.00, tax allotment; Hydraulic World, 348.48, cylinder; Lawson, 260.78, shop supplies; Lexis Nexis, 150.75, court rules; McLeod's, 702.44, office supplies; Minnehaha Auditor, 496.00, mental illness; Mitchell Landfill, 64.00, tire disposal; Office Advantage, 262.50, laptop service; RDO, 468.30, tail light, lamp; Safe Place, 3,250.00, allotment, domestic abuse fees; SD DOT, 2,392.74, bridge inspection; Lesa Trabing, 265.92, election mileage, supply reimbursement; Triotel, 1,031.21, phone bill; Two Way, 299.00, FCC license; Visa, 377.00, uniforms, postage, subscription; Wex, 1,535.79, gas; Xcel, 1,464.61, electricity; BX Civil & Construction, 59,232.07, bridge preservation; Grand Jurors, 280.82, fees, mileage.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion Bumgardner and seconded by Waldera to adjourn until Tuesday, December 17, 2024. All voted aye, motion carried.

Curtis Fox, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesla Trabing, Auditor
(SEAL)

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