

**HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, April 16, 2024**

Chairman Fox with members Bumgardner, Schoenrock and Waldera present, called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, April 16, 2024. Kjetland was absent.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

No conflict of interest.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the April 2nd meeting minutes. Motion carried.

No citizen input or board reports.

Brandon Wingert, Sheriff, reported that the front differential and transfer case has gone out of the 2020 Dodge Durango. Wingert presented a quote of \$8,187.94 from Iverson's to make the repairs and asked several local vendors for a quote. After discussion and reviewing all options, it was decided to retire the Durango and budget for a replacement vehicle in 2025.

Motion Schoenrock, seconded by Waldera to recess Board of Commissioners and convene as the Drainage Board. All voted aye, motion carried.

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, explained the findings of the sight test done at the intersection of 261st St. and 423rd Ave. and reported that the existing yield signs are adequate for this intersection. Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to leave this as is and no additional signage will be added or changed. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the RAIF application from Beulah Township to replace a 84" cement culvert on 422nd Ave. and have Roth research the cost and advantage of flared ends on the culvert. Total estimated project cost will be \$22,000.00 with Beulah Township contributing 20% towards the replacement. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Schoenrock to accept and approve the Minnehaha County low bid from Dakota Traffic Services and quote from DTS of \$13,462.64 to stripe nine miles in Hanson County. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the seasonal hire of Jack Wagner. All voted aye, motion carried. Starting date to be determined, hourly pay will be \$18.00.

LTAP training for pulling shoulders will be attended by a few hwy employees next week near Humbolt and an alternative option for bidding gravel was discussed.

Dave Klingberg, Farm Service Agency, joined to again explain that he is available to help the County take control of noxious weeds in CRP acres. Klingberg reported that payments can be withheld if weeds are not controlled in the CRP acres.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to approve a residents tax payment contract of \$200.00 a month for the repayment of back taxes until paid in full. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Schoenrock, seconded by Waldera to recess Board of Commissioners and convene the Consolidated Board of Equalization and County Board of Equalization. All voted aye, motion carried.

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

The second reading of Ordinance #55 "Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance" was held. Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to approve and adopt ordinance #55. All voted aye, motion carried. The 24-page document can be viewed in the Auditor's office.

As advertised, a public hearing was held regarding the one-day liquor license for the James River Archers to operate at Granite Springs Lodge on April 28, 2024. No one was present to oppose the license, motion by Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the license. Motion carried.

Jim Davies, States Attorney, gave an update on the vacated street property the county acquired and will have the documents ready at the next meeting to clean up the property lines on the east side of the courthouse.

Davies reported that drainage hearing notices will be mailed and posted soon.

The March 2024 General Fund Surplus Analysis shows an undesignated General Fund balance of 43%.

The Auditor reported that the county will need to contribute additional health insurance premiums this month as the composite rates fell short due to one less employee contributing premiums for the month of April.

Julie Ruden, Treasurer, introduced Julie Schoenfelder as the new Deputy Treasurer hired on April 15, 2024. Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to approve the hire. All

voted aye, motion carried. Starting wage is \$19.50 an hour, \$.50 raise after three months and \$.50 raise after the six-month probation period and all full-time employee benefits.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Schoenrock to enter executive session at 11:15 a.m. to conduct employee reviews, SDCL 1-25-2.1. All voted aye, motion carried.

Executive session ended at 12:02 p.m.

It was moved by Bumgardner, seconded by Schoenrock to allow payment of the following bills. Motion carried. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,169.15, Auditor: 3,665.69, Treasurer: 4,725.99, States Attorney: 3,014.73, Custodian: 2,192.30, Director of Equalization: 5,099.46, Register of Deeds: 3,109.47, Sheriff: 10,064.37, Nurse Clerical: 910.34, Extension: 1,453.40, Drainage: 274.26, Planning & Zoning: 828.43, Highway: 17,909.23, E911: 82.23, Emergency & Disaster: 331.40. BILLS: A-ox, 176.73, welding supplies; Abacus, 973.23, virtual server; Addy, 186.00, garbage; Alex City, 157.00, water, sewer; Appeara, 109.64, mats, mops, towels; AT&T, 354.32, cell bill; Avera Queen of Peace, 137.00, blood alcohols; C&B, 2.26, mower part; CCP, 227.55, parts; Connecting Point, 120.00, transfer data; Dailey Law, 4,500.00, public defender contract; Dakota Counseling, 500.00, qrtly support; Davison Sheriff, 9,660.00, jail bill; Davison Auditor, 2,062.50, VSO payment; Fleet pride, 80.25, tube, clamp; Flow Rite Gutters, 4,433.68, repair, replace gutters; Galls, 256.68, uniforms; Graham Tire, 146.15, hose, labor; Hanson Treasurer, 87.61, postage; Connie Harr, 402.24, meals, mileage; Interstate Power, 1,450.00, generator maintenance; Iverson's, 459.99, light, heater, brake repairs; Lewis, 59.26, jail meds; The Lodge, 315.00, lodging; McLeod's, 281.98, toner; Mitchell Clinic, 352.00, jail medical; Mitchell 911, 15,227.80, contract payment; Morgan Theeler, 3,580.50, deputy states attorney; New Century Press, 661.31, publishing; Northwestern, 397.14, heat; Northern Safety, 1,560.89, PU console; Office Advantage, 3,036.37, copier, hardware lease, managed services; Quill, 36.49, paper; RDO, 371.02, window pane; Santel, 30.00, trunking fees; State of SD, 40.00, blood alcohols; SD unemployment, 1,188.61, surcharge; SDACC, 362.00, CLERP payment; SDACO, 750.00, registration, website hosting; Stan Houston, 337.59, oil, tie downs; Stepping Stones, 468.57, qrtly payment; Thomson Reuters, 744.80, info charges; Total Fire, 648.00, inspection; Triotel, 968.90, phone bill; Two Way, 865.99, radio; Wausau Equipment, 1,266.47, link, pin; Deb Wollman, 36.54, supplies; Xcel, 2,077.77, electricity.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to adjourn until Tuesday, May 7, 2024. All voted aye, motion carried.

Curtis Fox, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor
(SEAL)

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