

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, July 16, 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, July 16, 2024.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

No conflict of interest.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the July 2nd meeting minutes. Motion carried.

No citizen input or board reports.

Doug Wessel, Brosz Engineering, reviewed and explained bridge matters relating to the June flooding. Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Emergency Bridge Inspection Agreement Work Order with Brosz for the inspection of four large structures, #31-010-149, #31-013-200, #31-030-077, #31-035-146, at a 20% cost share. All voted aye, motion carried. Two additional smaller structures will also be inspected at the cost of \$3,800.00.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Kjetland to approve the following resolution.

Bridge Improvement Grant Program
Resolution Authorizing Submission of Applications

WHEREAS, Hanson County wishes to submit an application for consideration of award for the Bridge Improvement Grant Program:

Structure No. 31-010-149 located 8.0 miles W and 2.9 miles S of Alexandria, SD over Enemy Creek.

And WHEREAS, certifies that the project is listed in the County's Five-Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan;

And WHEREAS, Hanson County agrees to pay the 20% match on the Bridge Improvement Grant funds and 100% of ineligible expenses;

And WHEREAS, Hanson County hereby authorizes the Bridge Improvement Grant and any required funding commitments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the SD DOT be and hereby is requested to accept the Bridge Improvement Grant application.

Votes Yes: 5 Votes No: 0

Dated at Alexandria, SD this 16th day of July 2024.

/s/Curtis Fox, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/Lesa Trabing
County Auditor
(SEAL)

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the following resolution.

Bridge Improvement Grant Program
Resolution Authorizing 5 Year County Plan Amendments

WHEREAS, Hanson County wishes to amend their previously approved 5 Year County Plan for the Bridge Improvement Grant Program:

Addition of Structure: No. 31-010-149

Location: 8:0 miles W and 2.9 miles S of Alexandria, SD over Enemy Creek

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the SD DOT be and hereby is requested to accept the Amended 5 Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan, previously approved on October 3, 2023.

Votes Yes: 5 Votes No: 0

Dated at Alexandria, SD this 16th day of July 2024.

/s/Curtis Fox, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/Lesa Trabing
County Auditor
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Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Request for Design Exception for structure No. 31-030-062 over Rock Creek. All members voted aye, motion carried. This variance reduces the design speed to 45 mph.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, reviewed his departments 2025 budget request with the Board, reported that chip sealing will begin this week on 429th Ave. and the Farmer oil. Work continues on Old Mill Road bridge and spot graveling is being done on the washed-out spots.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to recess Board of Commissioner to conduct business as the Drainage Board. All voted aye, motion carried.

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

Greg Patton joined the meeting asking about the County's expectations of his property. Pictures were presented by Patton showing his property that can be seen by the public after cleaning the area and reported that the floodplain has also been cleared except for one trailer. Jeff Harris, a friend of Patton's, confirmed that a lot of cleanup has been done. The Board recommends that Greg attend the upcoming Zoning meeting to report his progress to them and to keep the communication open in hopes of avoiding any further legal proceedings.

Brandon Wingert, Sheriff, presented a permit for shooting fireworks outside the timeline of State law. Accepting the fireworks permit for use will be on the August 6th meeting agenda. Wingert reported that two individuals have been approved verbally for fireworks displays within the next month.

Brandon Wingert, Emergency Manager, gave a flood update and reported that the proper documentation has been submitted to determine eligibility for FEMA assistance and will meet with a FEMA representative soon to review damage.

Wingert reviewed the Sheriff, EM, LEPC and E911 budget requests for 2025.

As advertised, bids were opened for the surplus property in Alexandria described as the W 33' of vacated chestnut street, abutting lot 12, block 1 of original plat of town, now city, Alexandria, SD. One bid was submitted. Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to accept the bid of \$100.00 from Randy Doyle. All voted aye, motion carried. The property will now be surveyed at the expense of the buyer.

Justin Schoenrock and Deb Bartscher joined on behalf of the Hanson Conservation District to review their 2025 budget request. It was agreed that the county will help the district maintain the grounds around their building.

At the recommendation of Jim Davies, States Attorney, no action was taken on the SD Department of Health Community Health Nurse contract.

Davies reported that he and the DOE will travel to Pierre on Thursday for the County's OHE case, gave an update on the nuisance properties and is preparing files to be transferred to the new States Attorney.

Kyle Beach, 4-H Youth Educator, reviewed his department 2025 budget request with the Board and introduced his idea to implement a 10-year sustainability plan after getting to know his new position.

Brenda Steilen, Custodian, reviewed the Courthouse budget and updated the Board on the water and sump pump issues in the basement.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to allow payment of the following bills. Motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,169.12, Auditor: 3,665.67, Treasurer: 4,892.94, States Attorney: 3,014.73, Custodian: 2,192.31, Director of Equalization: 5,246.48, Register of Deeds: 2,993.20, Sheriff: 10,101.73, Nurse Clerical: 705.76, Extension: 1,453.39, Weed: 122.65, Drainage: 274.29, Planning & Zoning: 789.35, Highway: 21,830.49, E911, 82.23; Emergency & Disaster: 331.83. BILLS: A-ox, 188.37, supplies; Alex City, 318.98, water; Alternative HR, 123.75, support; Alvine Law, 3,610.50, CAA; Appeara, 109.64, mats, mops, towels; Avera, 71.00, drug screen; Brosz, 3,135.00, bridge project; BIT, 75.50, email, access fee; CHS, 195.17, spray, gas; Commercial Asphalt, 79.10, hot mix; Davison County Auditor, 2,062.50, VSO salary; M&S Drainage, 4,623.66, repair drain tile at gravel pit; Menard's, 783.70, wood, trim, supplies; Mitchell Clinic, 236.00, jail medical; Morgan Theeler, 3,580.50, public defender; New Century Press, 511.91, publishing; Northwestern, 10.00, heat; Office Advantage, 2,531.99, managed services, hardware lease; Pennington County Jail, 99.72, inmate transport; Quill, 248.73, paper; RDO, 1,528.19, repairs; Running's, 8.99, hook; Santel, 30.00, trunking fees; Terri Lembcke Schildhauer, 340.00, court reporting; SD Unemployment, 558.23, surcharge; Spencer Quarries, 827.47, sand, rock; Thomson Reuters, 1,325.69, online law subscription; Transource, 5,367.12, repairs; Vern Eide, 29.99, air filter; Wingen's, 602.59, gas; Xcel, 261.28, electricity.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion Waldera, seconded by Schoenrock to adjourn until Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. All voted aye, motion carried.

Curtis Fox, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor

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