

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, June 24, 2025

Chairman Bumgardner with members Fox, Kjetland, Schoenrock and Waldera present, called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, June 24, 2025.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

No conflict of interest.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the meeting minutes from June 10th and the special meeting minutes from June 18th. Motion carried.

No board reports.

Approximately 18 residents in the area of the washed-out bridge on 413th Ave. joined for citizen input. Scott Tilberg spoke on their behalf indicating that this bridge is very important to the township and farmers and would like to see the bridge repaired and the road reopened. Others also spoke in favor of repairing the bridge. Carol Millan presented an application for funding from the James River Water Development District for grant funds to help repair the bridge and spoke about increasing the wheel tax to increase our chances of receiving Bridge Improvement Grant funds. A list of the attendees is on file in the auditor's office.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, reviewed his 2026 budget request with the Board. Further budget discussion will take place until the final adoption of the 2026 budget before October 1st.

Roth is currently trying to reschedule the asphalt repairs to the railroad tracks on 421st in Alexandria pending favorable weather.

Options and bids for purchasing more gravel will be looked into by Superintendent Roth and the trees at 429th and 261st should be taken down today.

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

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the MOU between Hanson County and Dakota State University to mitigate cybersecurity risk and receive funding through Senate Bill 187 to do so. All members voted aye, motion carried.

For liability reasons, Reid Kiner, States Attorney, reviewed the County's best options concerning the 413th Ave. bridge until it can someday be replaced. No action was taken at this time.

The second reading of ordinance 56 was held. Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera that this Ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 56
"AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING HANSON COUNTY SPEED LIMITS"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Hanson County, South Dakota, that:

1. Speed limits on all county and township roads located within the corporate limits of Hanson County, South Dakota, and not within the corporate limits of any municipality, is hereby set at fifty-five (55) miles per hour, except as modified herein.
2. Exceptions to the fifty-five (55) miles per hour limit:
 - a. Trucks over ten thousand (10,000) pounds, weight empty or loaded are limited to a speed of forty (40) miles per hour except where a lower speed is posted;
 - b. The speed limit is thirty (30) miles per hour on the portion of 257th Street starting on the west end at its junction with Highway 262 and extending eastward to the eastern boundary of the Greenhill Cemetery, 43.659120 degrees North 97.786812 degrees West to 43.39332 degrees North 97.4549 degrees West;
 - c. The speed limit of thirty (30) miles per hour on the portion of North Shore Drive starting on the west end at its junction with 420th Ave. and extending eastward to 421st Ave., 43.6264595 degrees North, 97.8068521 degrees West to 43.6253463 degrees North 97.7877726 degrees West;
 - d. The speed limit is fifteen (15) miles per hour on any roads extending from North Shore Drive, including Doyle Lake Drive, Pociask Road, Graham Road, and Walnut Cove, on the north side of Lake Hanson, 43.625291 degrees North 97.800825 degrees West to 43.625211 degrees North 97.797098 degrees West.
 - e. The speed limit is thirty (30) miles per hour on the portion of 429th Avenue starting on the north end at its junction with Highway 262 and extending 3200 feet south, 43.59414 degrees North 97.62735 degrees West to 43.60274 degrees North 97.62694 degrees West.
 - f. The speed limit is forty (40) miles per hour on the portion of 413th Avenue starting on the north end 950 feet north of Old Mill Road and extending southward to 950 feet south of Old Mill Road, 43.72725 degrees North 97.94843 degrees West to 43.72192 degrees North 97.94833 degrees West.

- g. The speed limit is thirty-five (35) miles per hour on the portion of 257th Street starting at the west end at its junction with 412th Ave. and extending eastward 2.54 miles, 43.65881 degrees North 97.96647 degrees West to 43.65872 degrees North 97.91567 degrees West.
3. Emergency and Public Safety. In the event of an emergency, as needed for public safety, the Hanson County Sheriff, or his designee, is authorized to establish other temporary speed and traffic regulations. If an emergency exists and this is done by the sheriff, he shall immediately inform the County Auditor and Hanson County Commissioners of his actions.
4. Penalty for Violation. A violation of this Ordinance will be subject to a maximum penalty of a fine of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or by incarceration in a county jail for a period of up to thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
5. Repealer. All Ordinances, or portions of Ordinances, which conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed.
6. Severability Provision. Any section, portion, or part of this Ordinance determined by any Court to be invalid will be considered removed there from and the balance of the Ordinance will remain in effect if it can be done, to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

Justification for Ordinance:

- a. A controlled and regulated maximum speed or rate of travel on the county and township roads is necessary for the preservation of public safety and the protection of public and private property.
- b. A regulation of the maximum speeds to be traveled on county and township roads aids in preserving public order; and
- c. It is in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Hanson County, South Dakota to have these limits for rates of travel placed upon the roadways effective.

Votes For:5 Votes Against: 0

Ordinance adopted.

First reading: June 10, 2025

Second reading: June 24, 2025

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Due to several Rosedale Township roads being utilized more because of the washed-out bridge, a motion by Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve the following agreement. All voted aye, motion carried.

This agreement is made by and between Hanson County and Rosedale Township.

Hanson County agrees to additional blading and snow removal of the one mile stretch of 258th Street from the Davison County line to 413th.

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Dated the 24th day of June 2025.

/s/ Gary Schoenrock
Hanson County Commissioner

/s/John Metz
Rosedale Township

Lesla Trabing reviewed the Auditor's 2026 budget request with the board.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the part time hire of Molly Pearson as Deputy Auditor. All voted aye, motion carried. Starting wage of \$17.54 with a \$.50 raise after three months and \$.50 after six months.

Christi Pierson reviewed the Director of Equalization and Planning & Zoning budget requests for 2026 with the Board.

Sarah Kayser, Treasurer, reviewed her 2026 budget request.

At the request of the State, a quote was presented for audio and video upgrades in the Hanson County Courtroom totaling \$28,607.04. The State will contribute \$10,000.00 towards the upgrade and the County has been approved to use the current Law Library funds towards the project in the amount of \$7,945.00 with the remaining balance coming from the county's general fund. Motion Kjetland, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the expenses for the courtroom audio and video upgrades. Roll call: Kjetland, aye; Schoenrock, aye; Fox, nay; Waldera, nay; Bumgardner, aye. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held regarding the one-day liquor license for the James River Archers to operate at the Almond Branch on June 28, 2025. No one was present to oppose the license, motion by Fox, seconded by Schoenrock to approve the license. Motion carried.

Time sheets were reviewed by the Board and a motion by Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve payroll and payment of the following bills. Motion carried. SALARIES AND BENEFITS: Commissioners: 2,234.20, Auditor: 3,784.24, Treasurer: 5,033.87, States Attorney: 3,211.25, Custodian: 2,305.70, Director of Equalization: 4,872.28, Register of Deeds: 3,282.65, Sheriff: 11,206.40, Nurse Clerical: 869.18, Extension: 2,048.66, Weed: 1,894.86, Drainage: 279.58, Planning & Zoning: 468.18, Highway: 19,995.61, E911: 86.11, Emergency Management: 347.56. BILLS: Ambulance Election Workers, 750.00, fees; Dailey Law, 4,500.00, public defender; Marc Degen, 194.30, CDL; James Valley Landscape, 911.54; Lyle Signs, 943.69, road signs; McLeod's, 457.60, deed book; Northwestern Energy, 15.63, heat; Nu Era, 250.00,

communication box; Office Advantage, 3,492.04, managed services, hardware lease; Postmaster, 120.00, box rent; Terri Lembcke Schildhauer, 333.00, court reporting; State of SD, 988.00, blood alcohols; Sign Pro, 440.00, remove lettering; Titan Machinery, 35.89, valve; Vern Eide, 1,387.78, replace belts; Xcel, 218.07, electricity.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion by Schoenrock, seconded by Waldera to adjourn until Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. All voted aye, motion carried.

John Bumgardner, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor

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