

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, August 19, 2025

Vice Chairman Schoenrock with members Fox, Kjetland, and Waldera present, called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, August 19, 2025. Bumgardner was absent.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

No conflict of interest.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Fox to approve the August 5th meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Waldera spoke about commissioner attendance at scheduled meetings and would like this topic added to the next agenda on September 2nd.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, gave a report on gravel hauling, blading and the dust control being applied to 257th St. by Mitchell Quarry employees.

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

Reconvene Board of Commissioners.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the full-time hire of Crystal Longhenry as Deputy Director of Equalization effective August 11, 2025. Starting pay is \$24.00 an hour with a \$.50 raise after three months, \$.50 after the six-month probation period and all full-time benefits. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Kjetland to release a court appointed attorney lien from 2014 in the amount of \$.44 as it is uncollectible. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to release a county aid lien in the amount of \$2,917.10 as the lien is uncollectible due to both recipients being deceased. All voted aye, motion carried.

Reid Kiner, States Attorney, presented the first reading of Ordinance 57 titled "An Amendment Ordinance to Enact a Wheel Tax for Each Vehicle Licensed in Hanson County". The amendment will increase the wheel tax on vehicles weighing 6,000 pounds or more to \$5.00 a wheel with a max of \$60.00 per vehicle as spelled out in state law. Second reading and adoption will take place at the September 2, 2025 meeting.

States Attorney Kiner presented the research he found pertaining to the township's authority for closing township roads and will further investigate if, and how, the roads can be reopened if closed.

A public hearing was held regarding the one-day liquor license for Robert Sundet, a SD liquor license holder, to operate at Granite Springs Lodge on September 6, 2025. No one was present to oppose the license, motion by Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve the license. 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 September 13, 2025. No one was present to oppose the license, motion by Fox, seconded by Kjetland to approve the license. Motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to allow payment of the following bills. Motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,320.32, Auditor: 4,053.83, Treasurer: 5,033.86, States Attorney: 3,663.36, Custodian: 2,305.70, Director of Equalization: 3,960.95, Register of Deeds: 3,132.93, Sheriff: 12,056.01, Nurse Clerical: 742.74, Extension: 2,048.66, Drainage: 145.04, Planning & Zoning: 663.82, Highway: 22,883.85, E911: 84.09, Emergency & Disaster, 339.93. BILLS: Super 8 Huron, 1,505.58, state fair lodging; A-Ox, 182.55, supplies; Addy, 226.00, garbage; Avera, 137.00, blood alcohols; C&B, 42.50, antenna; Davison County Jail, 5,460.00, jail bill; Haag Auto, 62.44, gas; Hillyard, 548.92, paper products; Hughes County, 115.00, jail bill; Lewis, 60.67, jail meds; Mitchell Iron & Supply, 91.80, tube repair; New Century Press, 308.95, publishing; Northwestern, 12.53, heat; Office Advantage, 405.26, copier lease, mouse, keyboard; Puthoff, 128.58, disc; Quill, 121.29, office supplies; Redwood Toxicology, 69.75, blood alcohols; Santel, 32.00, trunking fees; SDAAO, 500.00, registration; SDSU Extension, 180.00, conference registration; Spencer Quarries, 93,087.32, rock for Plano road; USPS, 917.85, stamped envelopes; Sun Gold, 25.00, embroidery hat; Vern Eide, 96.50, repairs; Vollan Oil, 14,638.20, diesel; Wingen's, 399.46, gas; Xcel, 545.18, electricity; Grand Jury, 340.20, fees and mileage.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion Waldera, seconded by Kjetland to adjourn until September 2, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Gary Schoenrock, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor
(SEAL)

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