

**HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, May 12, 2026
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Chairman Schoenrock with members Bumgardner, Fox, Kjetland and Waldera present, called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Fox to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to approve the meeting minutes from April 28, 2026. Motion carried.

No citizen input, conflict of interest or board reports.

The Auditor's account balanced with the Treasurer in the amount of \$7,177,716.53 in all county, state, civil, school, CD and trust accounts as of April 30, 2026.

General:	1,552,819.93
CD's	431,840.00
Restricted Funds	
Road & Bridge	1,861,380.76
E911	36,370.90
County Library	8,965.56
Emergency & Disaster	19,329.05
Domestic Abuse	242.68
24/7	8,540.25
M & P	62,927.70
Opioids Settlement	2,363.80
Township Infrastructure	87,685.79
Courthouse Bond	21,355.71
Schools	2,244,609.07
Townships	146,180.29
Cities	190,499.09
JRWDD	20,258.16
Treasurer Trust	11,885.54
State Motor Vehicle	155,952.58
LEPC	1,097.34
State Clearing	545.66
Fire Districts	65,597.18
Law Library	341.00
Davison Hanson Amb	246,928.50

Register of Deeds fees collected for April 2026 totaled \$8,818.00.

Clerk of Courts fees collected in April 2026 totaled \$3,859.52.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, reported that Brosz Engineering continues to work on the hydraulic study for the 413th Ave. bridge replacement.

Commercial Asphalt is currently doing the overlay patching on 421st Ave., 247th St., Fulton oil and 413th Ave.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Fox to approve A PLAT OF LOTS 11A AND 11B, BLOCK 1, PRAIRIE HILLS ESTATES IN THE SW4 OF SECTION 8, T103N, R59W OF THE 5TH P.M., HANSON COUNTY, SD. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2026 Tessiers Heating and Cooling Maintenance agreement. All voted aye, motion carried.

Brenda Steilen, Maintenance Supervisor, presented a quote from Total Fire Protection for \$2,500.00 to replace the 1st and 2nd backflow for the Courthouse sprinkle system. Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to approve the quote and repairs. All voted aye, motion carried.

Brenda reported that only one quote has been obtained so far to repair/replace portions of the Courthouse sidewalks. No decision will be made until at least two quotes have been submitted.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Waldera to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2026-2027 Mitchell KOA LLC, On-Off Sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine License renewal. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held to consider purchasing a \$75,000.00 Certificate of Deposit, to accumulate interest, or to designate the funds in the Road & Bridge fund for future equipment purchases. It was then decided that when an equipment purchase is needed, the existing certificates of deposit totaling \$431,840.00, will be used for the purchase.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Fox to enter executive session at 9:38 a.m. for an employee review defined in SDCL 1-25-2.1. All voted aye, motion carried.

Executive session ended at 9:48 a.m.

Reid Kiner, States Attorney, presented the second reading of Ordinance No. 59 for consideration and adoption.

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the county commissioners that in some instances there are farming activities being conducted within the highway rights of way in Hanson County; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the county commissioners that the county take such steps as are feasible to alleviate this process and protect the public's right to use the roadways; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the taxpayers and residents of Hanson County to adopt regulations for the purpose of protecting the highways, highway grades and ditches, and the safety of the users of said highway.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED a motion by Kjetland, seconded by Fox that the following ordinance be adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 59

An Amendment Ordinance of the Hanson County Regulation of Certain Activities within the Highway Rights-of-Way Ordinance in Hanson County, SD

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

1. Violation. It shall be unlawful for any person to farm, plant, plow or cultivate in any way within thirty-three feet (33') on either side of the centerline of the right-of-way of any township highway, minimum maintenance road, or county highway located in Hanson County, SD or to permit any lessee, agent, operator, or employee to do so except for raising perennial grasses.
In the event the county has acquired a right-of-way greater than thirty-three feet (33') from the centerline by recorded easement, deed, or other instrument on file with the Hanson County Register of Deeds, the restrictions set forth herein shall apply to the full extent of such acquired right-of-way.
2. Time Period. Each 24-hour period or part thereof, commencing at midnight of each day, that such activity occurs shall be considered a separate violation.
3. Penalty. A violation of this ordinance is a class 2 misdemeanor. Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance may be punished by being fined in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or incarcerated in jail for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or both such fine and imprisonment.
4. Civil Liability. Any person violating any provisions of this ordinance shall be liable to Hanson County, or to the township with maintenance responsibility for the road, for any damage to the slope, road, or any other part of the right of way and for any other damage caused by the violation.
5. Remedies Not Exclusive. The provisions and remedies provided in this ordinance shall be cumulative, and not exclusive. Nothing in this ordinance shall abrogate any other prohibition against activities affecting the right of way or case of action arising from such violation.
6. Severability Provision. If any provision of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or the applicability thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the constitutionality of the remainder of the ordinance and applicability thereof to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Votes For: 5 Votes Against: 0

Motion carried.

First Reading: April 28, 2026

Second Reading: May 12, 2026

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Effective 20 days after publication.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Fox to approve payment of the following bills.
Motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,301.21 Auditor: 3,470.98,
Treasurer: 4,373.18, States Attorney: 3,024.16, Custodian: 1,391.92, Director of
Equalization: 5,496.59, Register of Deeds: 3,292.98, Sheriff: 10,751.96, Resource
Officer: 450.43, Extension, 2,108.64; Drainage: 273.68, Planning & Zoning: 721.92,
Highway: 18,756.70, E911: 73.63, EM: 298.36. BILLS: A-ox, 195.81, welding supplies;

Ace, 1,237.72, trimmer, leaf blower, tire inflator, patch mix; Addy, 226.00, garbage; City of Alex, 157.00, water, sewer; Appera, 134.40, towels, mat, mops; AT&T, 689.70, cell bills; Avera Queen of Peace, 423.00, blood alcohols; Avera Heart Hospital, 1,705.00, AED for Hwy shop; Axis, 65.00, blood alcohols; Micayla Bamberg, 60.00, CAA mileage; BIT, 66.25, email fee; Butler, 4,062.26, filters, coolant, element, oil; Dakota Horse Power, 90.00, mower tires; ES&S, 3,155.02, election programming; Iversons, 229.32, sensor; Krohmer Plumbing, 194.26, toilet repairs; Lewis, 44.66, jail meds; MARC, 1,162.52, air freshener, cleaning supplies; Midwest Fire & Safety, 254.00, recharge extinguishers; Mitchell Landfill, 64.34, disposal fee; New Century Press, 331.90, publishing; Nu Era, 195.90, plate; On Sight, 1,608.00, yearly monitoring; Redwood Toxicology, 76.00, blood alcohols; Santel, 30.00, trunking fees; State of SD, 150.00, blood alcohols; SD DOR, 6.00, excise tax; Triotel, 922.49, phone, internet; Brandon Wingert, 150.00, LEPC meeting, coroner call; Xcel, 1,981.74, electricity.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion by Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to adjourn until Tuesday, May 26, 2026. All voted aye, motion carried.

Gary Schoenrock, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor
(SEAL)

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