

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Thursday, June 4, 2026
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Chairman Schoenrock, with members Fox and Waldera present, called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Thursday, June 4, 2026. Bumgardner and Kjetland were absent.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

No conflict of interest.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve the May 12th meeting minutes. Motion carried.

No board reports.

Commissioner Waldera spoke during citizen input about the concerns he has heard about the lack of dust control on 257th that is the responsibility of the Mitchell Quarry per their conditional use permit.

The Auditor's account balanced with the Treasurer's account in the amount of \$4,711,406.81 in all county, state, civil, school, CD and trust accounts as of May 31, 2026.

County General:	1,531,168.90
CD's	432,523.79
Restricted Funds	
Road & Bridge:	2,036,038.09
E911	41,483.01
County Library	9,284.36
Emergency & Disaster	18,489.50
Domestic Abuse	302.76
24/7	8,710.11
M & P	63,166.25
Opioids Settlement	2,595.82
Township Infrastructure	87,704.74
Courthouse Bond	21,388.32
Schools	199,530.70
Townships	39,773.65
Cities	21,768.80
JRWDD	1,554.67
Treasurer Trust	11,640.44

State Motor Vehicle	162,839.01
LEPC	1,097.34
State Clearing	45.21
Fire Districts	5,607.86
Law Library	407.00
Davison Hanson Ambulance	14,286.48

Fees collected by the Register of Deeds for May 2026 totaled \$8,619.75.
Clerk of Courts fees collected for May 2026 totaled \$2,412.42.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, and Curt Hart talked about the trespassing happening at the clay pile on the west end of Lake Hanson leased by the County. Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve expenses for Superintendent Roth to post No Trespassing signs. All voted aye, motion carried.

Estimates from Hollaway Construction were presented for the bridge repairs needed on Ben Cummings Road and 267th Street. As the repairs are right at the bid limit, Holloways bid for 2026 will be presented at the June 23rd meeting for acceptance.

Roth reported that the gravel hauling truck is still being repaired and if it takes much longer, he may need to lease a truck to start hauling gravel.

Three quotes to repair the Courthouse sidewalk were presented and reviewed. Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve the low bid of \$6,225.00 from Haiar Concrete pending the utility locates be done by Haiar, if that can't be done, the next lowest bid of \$7,852.29 from Pierson Concrete will be accepted. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Veteran Services were discussed with TJ Thomas brought to the attention of Commissioner Fox.

Motion Fox, seconded by Waldera to approve Ignite Kids Ministry to use the County's electric outlets in the 4-H building for their fundraiser being held on June 6, 2026 as they agreed to pay for the electricity use. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve a PLAT OF LOT 1 GRAVES ADDN NW4 33-102-59 OF THE 5TH P.M. HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Fox, seconded by Waldera to approve a PLAT OF LOT 1 LEVI'S PLACE A SUBDIVISION OF SW4 23-102-58 OF THE 5TH P.M. HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Fox, seconded by Waldera to approve a PLAT OF DEBOER TRACT 6 W2 SW4 20-103-59 OF THE 5TH P.M. HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Fox, seconded by Waldera to approve a PLAT OF TRACT 3 WENANDES ADDN NE4 OF 27-102-58 OF THE 5TH P.M. HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Discussion began on the 2027 budget process and the options to reduce property taxes. The budget will be put together using only growth within the county to reduce the increase of the county's portion of property taxes needed next year. The Board of Commissioners also have the option to implement a .5% sales tax that can only be used toward property tax relief.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to authorize the Chairman to sign the 2027 District III Planning & Development letter of intent. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve the June 2, 2026 Hanson County Republican Primary Election results reported to the SD Secretary of States Office as follows. US Senate: McNeal, 152; Rounds, 497; US Representative: Jackley, 505; Bialota, 120; Governor: Rhoden, 149; Hansen, 153; Johnson, 119; Doeden, 236; State Senate District 19: Olson, 161; Schoenfish, 431; State Representative District 19: Peterson, 344; Bahmuller, 533; Hento, 125; County Commissioner District 1: Kampshoff, 75; Kjetland, 64; Mitchell School Board: Burkel, 4; Storm, 15; Ethan School Board: Everson, 55; Klock, 69. All members voted aye, motion carried. 693 ballots were cast with a voter turnout rate of 34.54%. A Runoff Election for Governor will be held on Tuesday, July 28, 2026 as the top candidate did not receive 35% of the votes cast.

A random drawing was then held to select the precinct and races to conduct the Post Election Audit. Precinct 2 was drawn by Sheriff Wingert and State Representative District 19 and State Senator District 19 races were drawn by Superintendent Roth. The PEA will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 to hand count these races to verify results tabulated by the ballot counter.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve payment of the following bills. Motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES AND BENEFITS (two pay periods): Commissioners: 4,602.40, Auditor: 8,322.25, Treasurer: 10,591.96, States Attorney: 7,412.98, Custodian: 4,788.55, Director of Equalization: 11,592.93, Register of Deeds: 6,921.40, Sheriff: 25,475.21, Resource Officer: 672.92, Extension: 4,211.69, Drainage: 299.77, Planning & Zoning: 970.64, Highway: 44,527.44, E911: 172.56, Emergency & Disaster: 697.36. BILLS: A&G, 12.40, seals; Commercial Asphalt, 245,145.24, overlay patching; Midwest Fire & Safety, 785.00, extinguisher inspection; Quill, 69.99, membership; Sturdevant's, 1,195.89, filters; The Special, 47.08, subscription; Vander Haag's, 1,094.58, fifth wheel plate, fuel tube; Ace, 132.88, filters, hose mender, adapters, connectors; Addy, 226.00, garbage; Alignment Xperts, 130.00, alignment; AT&T, 666.29, cell phones; ES&S, 1,102.78, ballots; Minnehaha County, 510.93, mental health evals; Mitchell 911, 5,163.26, surcharge; Morgan Law, 4,500.00, public defender; Doug Papendick, 501.00, mileage, reimbursement; SDAAO, 500.00, registration; Sun Gold,

300.00, stickers; Triotel, 1,875.76, phone, internet; Visa, 1,745.91, tables, share file, toner; Wex, 1,450.12, gas; Xcel, 1,798.63, electricity; A&B, 108.87, copier lease; Auto Zone, 91.99, oil, filters; Avera, 177.40, drug test; BIT, 66.25, state email; CASA, 2,500.00, donation; Dakota Fluid, 204.53, brass coupler; Davison County, 525.00, jail bill; Marc Degen, 9.83, reimbursement; Graham, 552.00, tires; Hanson Treasurer, 187.12, postage; Reid Kiner, 60.00, reimbursement; Life Quest, 6,000.00, donation; The Lodge, 690.00, lodging; McLeod's, 590.96, toner; Mitchell Iron & Supply, 73.88, adapters; Office Advantage, 3,735.13, copier lease, hardware lease, managed services; Ramkota, 423.00, lodging; SDACO, 300.00, Deputy workshop; Verizon, 40.01, hot spot; Vern Eide, 83.62, sensor; Deb Zens, 20.00, meal.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion by Waldera, seconded by Fox to adjourn until Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. All voted aye, motion carried.

Gary Schoenrock, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor

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