

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, August 4, 2026

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, August 4, 2026.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Motion Fox, seconded by Kjetland to approve the July 21st meeting minutes and special meeting minutes from July 29th. Motion carried.

No conflict of interest, board reports or citizen input.

The Auditor's account balanced with the Treasurer's account in the amount of \$4,299,257.71 in all county, state, civil, school, CD and trust accounts as of July 31, 2026.

County General:	1,368,259.79
CD's	432,523.79
Restricted Funds	
Road & Bridge:	1,937,844.69
E911	36,221.94
County Library	9,356.54
Emergency & Disaster	17,001.10
Domestic Abuse	512.96
24/7	8,872.46
M & P	63,421.03
Opioids Settlement	4,004.00
Township Infrastructure	104,338.37
Courthouse Bond	21,410.34
Schools	31,434.67
Townships	44,391.83
Cities	13,270.09
JRWDD	246.91
Treasurer Trust	14,565.71
State Motor Vehicle	186,659.72
LEPC	1,097.34
State Clearing	215.85
Fire Districts	885.67
Law Library	462.00
Davison Hanson Ambulance	2,260.91

Fees collected by the Register of Deeds for July 2026 totaled \$4,829.25.

Clerk of Courts fees for the month of July totaled \$4,655.76.

Vince Kayser, Weed Supervisor, reviewed the 2027 budget request for the weed department. Vince reported that spray is purchased off the state bid and the spray truck is running okay. One individual has been contacted about controlling thistles in CRP. Other problem areas were mentioned that need to be taken care of.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, presented the proper notices, publications and information needed to accept the McCook County low bid for gravel crushing from Rechnagel Construction for \$2.55/ton. Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to accept the low bid. All voted aye, motion carried. The gravel royalty contract with Richard Rolings will be presented for approval at the next meeting.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Fox to purchase an additional 15,000 ton of crushed gravel from Werning's off the current bid for \$7.50 a ton. All voted aye, motion carried.

Roth presented the current mileage reading on all vehicles, reported that his county issued pickup needed a new fuel pump and the skid load has been repaired and returned.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve a PLAT OF LOT B OF NAASZ FIRST ADDN IN THE NE4 OF SECTION 23, T101N, R59W OF THE 5TH P.M., HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve a PLAT OF TRACT B OF FULTON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP ADDN, IN THE NW4 OF THE NW4 OF SECTION 20, T103N, R58W 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 OF TRABING ADDN IN THE S2 OF THE NW4 AND THE N2 OF THE SW4 IN SECTION 12, T102N, R58W OF THE 5TH P.M., HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to approve a PLAT OF TRACT A OF CHUCK'S ADDN IN THE N2 OF THE NE4 OF SECTION 13, T103N, R59W OF THE 5TH P.M., HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Fox to approve a PLAT OF RJ TRACTS 1 AND 2 IN THE NW4 OF SECTION 2, T101N, R57W OF THE 5TH P.M. HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve a PLAT OF V.M. WAGNER TRACT 2 IN THE SE4 OF SECTION 30, T103N, R57W OF THE 5TH P.M. HANSON COUNTY, SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Christi Pierson, DOE, asked if her Deputy could work from home for two weeks. Pierson reported that there is 20 hours of work that can be done from home. The Board agreed to allow Crystal Longhenry to work from home for 20 hours after her vacation and sick leave have been expended. In the future, working from home will be reviewed case by case.

Doug Greenway and Dan Fechner, Mitchell Area Crime Stoppers, joined to review what the program does for Hanson County and explained how anonymous tips have helped solve crimes. Mitchell United Way and donations fund the Crime Stoppers program. Residents can report tips through the P3 app or by calling 605-996-1700 anonymously. Cash rewards are paid out for tips that lead to a conviction. Further information about this program will be available on the Hanson County website at www.hansoncountysd.gov A \$500.00 donation to Crime Stoppers will be budgeted for 2027.

The Board discussed the option to implement a .05% sales tax to help offset Owner Occupied property taxes. If the ordinance to do so is passed prior to October 1st, the .05% tax would be added January 1, 2027 and deposited in a Tax Reduction fund at the county level and credited to taxpayers in 2028. More information and additional questions need to be answered before a decision is made.

Brian Loken, LifeQuest, presented a summary of services offered and the budget request for 2027 which remains the same at \$6,000.00.

Reid Kiner, States Attorney, was present to answer questions, review the gravel royalty agreement and letter being sent.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve and authorize the Auditor to conduct an auto supplement to the Road & Bridge budget in the amount of \$174,870.00 for the 2024 flood money received from the State and Federal government. All voted aye, motion carried.

Due to the SDACC and SDACO County Convention, the second meeting in September has been moved to Tuesday, September 29, 2026.

Motion Fox, seconded by Waldera to approve payment of the following bills. Motion carried. DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners 2,301.15, Auditor: 4,109.89, Treasurer: 5,295.99, States Attorney: 3,486.93, Custodian: 2,525.23, Director of Equalization: 6,016.17, Register of Deeds: 3,332.18, Sheriff: 13,313.84, Resource Officer: 352.74, Extension: 1,974.88, Weed: 943.20, Drainage: 149.88, Planning & Zoning: 485.32, Highway: 22,380.07, E911: 86.74,

Emergency Management, 350.69. BILLS: A&B, 108.85, copier lease; Ace, 1,367.69, paper, filters, washer fluid, paper products; Alex Fire, 560.00, CPR training; Alec City, 305.48, water, sewer; All States Pavement, 99,792.00, mill 247th st.; Appeara, 144.76, floor care; AT&T, 649.78, cell bills; Auto Value, 1,068.14, filters, towels; Axis, 130.00, blood alcohols; BIT, 70.25, email access; Clearview Auto Glass, 150.00, rock chip repairs; Dakota Counseling, 500.00, qrtly support; Fleet Pride, 68.55, valve, sensor; McLeod's, 148.99, toner; Morgan Law, 4,500.00, public defender; Office Advantage, 3,805.81, managed services, hardware lease, copier lease; Quill, 539.96, toner, office supplies; Santel, 30.00, trunking fees; Sir-lines-alot, 15,012.00, pavement markings; Sate 4-H, 85.00, fair passes; Stepping Stones, 468.57, qrtly support; TranSource, 699.53, belt, pulley; Triotel, 893.83, phone, internet; Vanguard, 11,750.00, software maintenance; Verizon, 40.01, hot spot; Visa, 810.20, table, share file, envelopes, training, supplies; Wex, 312.05, gas; Wex, 1,888.34, online payment (check lost in mail); Xcel, 2,452.04, electricity; Runoff election workers, 3,808.80, fees, mileage; McCook County, 150.00, conditional use permit.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion Bumgardner and seconded by Kjetland to adjourn until Tuesday, August 18, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. All voted aye, motion carried.

Gary Schoenrock, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor
(SEAL)

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